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Facilities Planning and Management Names Facilities Accessibility Coordinator

Ames, Iowa – Facilities Planning and Management is pleased to announce that Kerry Dixon has recently been named Facilities Sustainable Design and Accessibility Coordinator.

Dixon has been at FPM since 1995 and has served in many roles, most recently being the Coordinator of Sustainable Design and Construction. She played a key role in the Marston Hall renovation, completed in 2016. This project not only created a more welcoming space to meet the needs of students in the administrative home of the College of Engineering, but also earned a Gold certification in the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) green building rating system. Dixon’s leadership and guidance brought the collaboration necessary for Iowa State University to achieve 21 LEED certifications - 2 platinum, 17 gold and 2 silver. Now she brings that same passion to facility accessibility issues.

“Meeting the needs of a 21st-century campus with 20th-century facilities can be a challenge,” said Dixon. “How excited I am to be in a role where I get to play such a big part.”

Dixon will work closely with the campus Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator in the Office of Equal Opportunity. She will also continue to serve as Coordinator of Sustainable Design and Construction and as a Project Manager. Some of her new duties include:

• Address campus physical accessibility by collaborating with units across the university and within FPM.
• Participate in the design and construction of campus projects.
• Develop training and education opportunities for FPM staff.
• Serve as a resource both within FPM and at Iowa State.

“Addressing issues such as accessibility contribute to the overall campus environment,” said Dixon. “Having one person who keeps a keen eye to building projects and making sure we are addressing issues as soon as possible sends a message this university deeply cares about its students, faculty, staff and visitors alike.”

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