

Honors Committee Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2016

Committee Members in Attendance: Eunjoo Cho, Jennie Popp, Luke Howard, Charles Rosenkrans, Nick Anthony, Ken Korth, Godwin-Charles Ogbeide, Jefferson Miller
Committee Members not in Attendance: Donn Johnson, Thad Scott, Curt Rom, Mardel Crandall
Staff Present: Leslie Edgar, Jody Davis, Dentin Schwartz

Agenda (voted on and passed unanimously):

- Motion to approve, Nick Anthony, seconded, Charles Rosenkrans.

March Minutes (voted on and passed unanimously):

- Motion to approve, Charles Rosenkrans, seconded, Nick Anthony.

Departmental Announcements:

- Faculty from each department updated the committee on progress being made to accomplish the committee's goals of having two honors courses in each department.
- Dr. Cho organized an Honors Meet and Greet (information session) for AMPD
 - A huge success with over 18 honors students in attendance.
 - Faculty explain their areas of research
 - Discussion of available funding through Honors College
 - Active honors students speak about their projects
 - Honors PowerPoint from this Meet and Greet will be sent to all Honors faculty council members

Honors Thesis Competition:

- Three submissions to participate in the Honors Thesis Competition have been received.
- Oral Presentations are scheduled for April 22, one of the students will not be able to present on that day.
- Discussion of how to best proceed with this year's Thesis Competition.

Results: Reschedule for a date that will allow all students who have applied to participate.

Honors Student Board Poster Competition:

- Poster Competition to be held in AFLS Atrium April 11-13
- Awards ceremony April 13 at 3:00 p.m.
- All students can print a poster at the Honors College for free
 - Limitation is they are small posters
- Next year we will partner with the ELL to promote poster printing.

College Faculty Bylaws (voted on and passed unanimously):

- Discussion of the wording to amend the faculty bylaws to move the Honors Faculty Committee from an ad hoc committee to a standing committee
- Alterations to "purpose and function"

- “To determine student and faculty eligibility and requirements to participate in the Bumpers College Honors Program and to initiate, investigate, study and review all honors program matters.”
- Motion to approve, Charles Rosenkrans, seconded, Nick Anthony.

Honors Timeline and Thesis Defense:

- Handout of proposed timeline and thesis defense forms were given to committee members to review.
 - Faculty are to review and critique timeline and defense forms.
- Freshman in the fall would be held to these guidelines, deadlines and dates.
- Recommendations to timeline will be discussed at next honors meeting.

Announcements:

- Honors Student Board Poster Competition – April 11-13 in AFLS Atrium
Award Program – April 13 at 3 pm in Honors Hall/Atrium
- Student Honors Mentor Applications – Due April 15
- Outstanding Thesis Oral Competition – Time and location TBD
- Bumpers Outstanding Honors Advisors Award – Deadline for Submission, May 1
- Honors Reception – May 13
- Commencement – May 14