



Honors Council

Meeting: Wednesday, 03 October 2012

5:00 p.m. | B-4 East Hall

*** MINUTES ***

This meeting of Departmental Honors Advisors was convened at 5:10 p.m.

Present: J. Cazier (CoB); J. Dubino (GLS); L. Emery (PSY); R. Gray (P&A); L. Jones (HC); V. Klima (MAT); M. Lane (HC); M. Lanoix (P&R); H. Martin (ENG); R. Miller (T&D); L. Mosteller (PSY); D. Parks (CS); L. Puckett (CHE); L. Sieffermann (BIO); B. Weiner (HIS); D. Wheeler (HC/PSP)

I. Approval of Minutes from 05 September 2012

A motion was made (Miller) and seconded (Sieffermann) to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

II. Reports on Recent Activity

- A. Advising Time! Please send us notice of any opportunities we might share with students!
- B. HC Staff attended NC Honors Association meeting, hosted by ECU; Greenville. **Appalachian was selected as the site of the 2013 annual meeting!** Info forthcoming, but this will be a venue for showcasing our best and brightest!
- C. The Honors College Annual "Viewbook" A draft copy was passed around for viewing.
- D. Open House & (upcoming) Honors Days: well attended thus far.
- E. HON 1515 Mentoring Program: going swimmingly well.
- F. Promising developments in HSoM and RCoE (toward tracks in MUS and C&I): Preliminary meetings held with Lane to begin drafting program descriptions / proposals. Stay tuned!

III. Updates and Reminders

- A. **Goldwater Deadline:** Applications for internal review due 26 October.
- B. **New Building.** Winter move to Appalachian Hall (name now confirmed) on schedule.
- C. **Spring 2013 departmental honors offerings:** please send info to Leslie (jonesls@)
- D. **Department Track Descriptions:** please update and provide us the most recent iteration / link
- E. **Laurus Honorum:** Fall newsletter posted! Click the link to read it now:
<http://www.honors.appstate.edu/alumni-friends/newsletters>
- F. **PT / Adjunct / NTT Faculty & Honors:** Jones noted that it's not standard practice to utilize non-tenure-track faculty to teach honors courses, but economic climes have warranted exceptions.
- G. **Summer honors offerings:** must be an international experience!
- H. **Chancellor's Scholars:** Off to Dublin for Fall Break! Projected # of awards for 2013?
- I. **Magazines:** Please donate magazines you've read to our reading lounge.

IV. New Business

- A. Proposal to modify the CHE track (see proposal distributed separately)
A motion was made (Lanoix) and seconded (Sieffermann) to approve the proposed modifications to the Chemistry honors program, to include some streamlining of the description and edits recommended by the council members. Puckett will send to Lane the final iteration for circulation. Motion carried.
- B. Discussion: MA theses = S/U graded; should HON theses also be (instead of A, B, C...)?

One of Cazier's colleagues in CoB inquired about this, so he brought it to the Council's attention for deliberation. Following some discussion, it was determined that the Council was not in support of such a modification at this time.

V. Adjournment | Refreshments

VI. The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m. Refreshments followed.

Respectfully submitted for review, corrections, and additions, this 17 October 2012.

Michael E. Lane

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, 07 November 2012, 5:00 p.m., B-4 East