**Honors Council**

**Meeting: 5 February, 2014**

**5:00 p.m., 187 Appalachian Hall**

**\*\* MINUTES \*\***

1. Meeting convened at 5:05 p.m.

PRESENT: C. Claassen (Anthro), L. Siefferman (Bio), M. Ramey (Chem), J. Gray (Comm), D. Parks (Com Sci), C. Gu (Geo), J. Dubino (GLS and ENG), B. Weiner (History), A. Fisher (LLC), V. Klima (Math), S. Arthur (P&R), L. Emery (Psych), M. Howell (SW), C Lippard (Soc), H. Waldroup (Art/Honors), L. Sargent Jones (Honors, ex officio)

ABSENT: K. Ledford (APP Stud), J. Toub (Art), J. Cazier (CoB), E. Peterson (CJ/PS), M. Adams (DAN), D. Orvis (ENG), C. Thaxton (ENS), J. Gonzalez (IDS), R. Gray (Phys)

GUEST: J. Yandow (Honors)

1. A motion to approve the Minutes from 4 December 2013 was made (D. Parks, L. Siefferman, second) and approved unanimously.
2. Reports and reminders: Honors College Office Manager Jessica Yandow discussed issues around departmental honors theses, including formatting and reminders to make appointments with her for submission.
3. New Business:
4. Departmental honors programs websites were discussed; Communication was presented as an especially good example.
5. Transfer students in departmental honors: a discussion ensued about admissions, support.
6. Buyouts for HON courses: Is this happening? A discussion of this issue stressed that lack of resources makes it difficult for faculty to have the opportunity to teach HON courses.
7. Discussion of ways HON can connect with new chancellor.
8. Old Business: none
9. Adjournment and refreshments: The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m. (C. Claassen, M. Howell, second).

Respectfully submitted for review this 10 February, 2014, Heather Waldroup.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 5 at 5:00 p.m. in 187 Appalachian Hall.