Honors Council

Meeting: February 4, 2015

5:00 p.m., 187 Appalachian Hall

\*\* MINUTES \*\*

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

PRESENT: D. Mines (Anthro), L. Puckett (Chem), J. Gray (Com), D. Parks (ComSci), C. Gu (Geology), B. Weiner (HIS), A. Fisher (LLC), V Klima (Math), L. Emery (Psych), L. Mosteller (Psych), M. Howell (Soc Work), H. Waldroup (Art), LS Jones (Bio)

ABSENT: K. Ledford (AS), J. Toub (Art), L. Sieffermann (Bio), D. Medlin (COB), M. Adams (Dance), D. Orvis (ENG), C. Taxton (ENV), R. Crepeau (G&P), J. Gonzalez (GS/IDS), E. Peterson (GJS), L. Ammon (P&R), R Gray (P&A - sabbatical), E. Folts (Soc), S. Doll (Tech)

GUEST: Stacey Huffman (Psych)

1. A motion to approve the Minutes from December 3, 2014, was made (Puckett, Fisher second) and approved with two abstentions.
2. New business: discussion of 410 sections and the various issues surrounding them: a number of issues were brought to the table including concerns about faculty workload, students failing to complete, inconsistent expectations, etc. One particular issue was the grade requirement for Honors being a C+ for 410 sections but a B+ for contracts, when they are arguably similar kinds of experiences. It was decided that this and other issues needed further discussion when more members were present. The issue of evaluation of 410 sections was introduced but there was insufficient time to discuss this matter further.
3. Old business:
   1. Update: Exercise Science does not have an honors program because the appropriate paperwork was not put through AP&P last year, although it was voted on and approved by Honors Council.
   2. Student recruitment: various strategies for student recruitment were discussed.
4. The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m. (Parks, Puckett second).

Respectfully submitted for review this 10 day of February, 2015, by Heather Waldroup.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be March 4, 2015, at 5:00 p.m. in 187 Appalachian Hall.