Honors Council Meeting Minutes
3/15/2012
4:00-5:30 PM
MB 1-125

Attendees: Barbara Kennedy, Marina Baratian, Karyn Ott, CJ Baker-Schverak, Dain Tador, Dr. Mary Roslonowski, and Nancy Hett

Honors Program Updates

1. Program Numbers – 2011-2012-87 new honors students since August 1, 2012, 30 students have applied for graduation (requesting honors diplomas) for Spring 2012 term.

2. Budgets
   a. Fund 1 honors budget-completely spent (3500.00)-used for honors course materials, travel to honors conferences in Fall and Spring, registration fees for national and state honors organizations
   b. Student Activities honors budget – (Total 6500.00)- Spent on Fall Convocation dinner (150.00), St. Augustine Historical Trip (350.00), Charleston, SC Trip -13 students (4000.00), Holocaust Class trip to Washington, DC (1500.00)
   c. New equipment request for honors psychology courses at Titusville Campus- Robin Campbell is requesting 3500.00 for psychology testing kit which includes EEG and other tests. Council feels this would be too much money to spend but would like more info from Ms. Campbell 1) would all campuses be able to use the equipment 2) give specific examples of how this equipment is used in the psychology course. Right now, we don’t know enrollment for Titusville Psychology Honors classes as these will be new to Titusville. No other upkeep expenses for the equipment should be incurred as it comes with unlimited software updates. Action Item: Mary needs to ask Robin these questions and report back to the council by April 7, 2012.

3. Promotion of Honors Program
   a. Student Mailings-Mary needs to do US Mail letter of invitation to all BCC students who qualify for the honors program.
   b. Viewbook-More copies available in Mary’s office-handed some out at the meeting.
c. Honors Faculty would like a few minutes at DE orientation. Action item: Need to get DE Orientation schedule so that faculty can speak at each session on all campuses.

d. Need to update the brochure Action Item: Mary get revisions to Bev for approval of new brochure...will use AP Melbourne budget to purchase

e. Would like to see pop-up as students register online which states they are eligible for honors courses. Also, pop-up to remind advisors to check and see if the student might be honors eligible before they register students for courses.

f. Use rolling screens (TVs) on each campus for the promotion of honors.

4. Connecting to high school students
   a. Sent brochures and viewbooks to all high school counselors
   b. Sent email information to all high school counselors
   c. Attended UCF Direct Connect College Access Summit-met with Brevard County Counselors and talked about honors program
   d. Mary and Nancy will have Honors Table at MB Campus Fall Semester Preview – April 18, 2012 as well as Honors tables 9-4 M-R of May 7-10, 2012 (one day per each campus) during walk in Fall registration.

5. Convocation Dinners
   a. Fall Term - Thursday, December 8, 2011 6:00 PM Location held at Kiwi Tennis Club in IHB. Funding from Student Activities Budget-2 students (5 graduated), 4 faculty/staff in attendance.
   c. Honors Instructors and Honors Graduates are invited to attend.
   d. Funding from AP Melbourne budget for Spring Dinner.

6. Honors Schedule of Classes for Fall-need so that can send mailings to eligible students before Fall term registration starts-need to send email to all honors faculty asking for their fall schedule of honors classes so that we can send this to prospective students in the letter of invitation. *Action Item: Mary send email to honors faculty and Nancy prep letter for prospective students.

7. Honors Activity Schedule for next year
   a. Council wants activities to benefit as many students as possible.
   b. Honors trip to Washington, DC over spring break and include College/University tours.
   c. Honors tour of Florida with visits to colleges as well as historical sites.
   d. Make the trips into an IDH 2003 course in the summer-perhaps DC, NY, Florida Beyond the Theme Parks, or Arizona and make the trip cross disciplinary.
   e. Include money in the budget to take students to Florida Honors Conference in Spring 2013.
f. What other things do we need money for next year? We must request these funds through Student Activities in May 8th. Fund I budget will hopefully remain the same as last year as we have expended all of our funds.