Attendees: Dr. Steven Long, Shai Neumann, Karyn Ott, Maureen Groome, CJ Baker-Schverak, David Houk, Marina Baratian, Dana Aplin, Luke Leonard for Warren Jones, Lauren Houchin, and Dr. Mary Roslonowski

I. Reviewed Honors Council meeting minutes from April 2015 to ensure that the issues brought up from that meeting were still being addressed.

II. Honors Council recommended a student be nominated from all four campuses to be on the Council. Currently, have two students who are both from Melbourne. Need to find three more from other campuses. Also, Honors Council recommended a faculty member who teaches honors from each campus be on the Council. Suggested Lee Bailey or Mansoor Khan from Cocoa be included. Also, nominated was Sharon Kline from Melbourne.

- Dr. Roslonowski will invite honors faculty to nominate students from other campuses and invite Lee Bailey, Mansoor Khan and Sharon Kline to be on the council.
- Dr. Long volunteered to be on the council, he was approved.
- Dr. Roslonowski did not send a formal invite out to every faculty member to be on the council but could. Council suggested she do that to ensure everyone interested has an opportunity to become involved.
- Honors Council representative to AAC is vacant. Dr. Roslonowski will discuss with Scott Herber.

III. Proposed meeting schedule was discussed. Oct 30 date was good but Council recommends we move the Feb date into January to ensure curriculum gets approved. Other date was ok for April but want to check and make sure it doesn't conflict with any other meeting for CDC and AAC.

- October 30, 2015 10:30-12:00 PM MB 10-206
- Mid-January meeting
- April 8, 2015 10:30-12:00 PM MB 10-206

IV. Canvas Community Group for Honors Faculty and Students

- Dr. Roslonowski has requested IT set up a Canvas Shell for honors faculty and students so announcements and documents can be shared easily.
- Honors Website will be updated to reflect new meeting dates for Council and new membership as well as the new documents for faculty.
- MyGPS - Dr. Roslonowski will discuss with Stephanie Burnette if there is a way to tell honors students how many more requirements they need to complete for the honors diploma.
V. Honors Faculty Nominations
- Dr. Roslonowski will meet with Richard Margolis for his classroom observation. His nomination will be discussed at the Oct 30th meeting.
- Karyn Ott nominated Carrie Wells as honors faculty. Dr. Roslonowski will contact Ms. Wells about the approval process.

VI. Honors Course Revisions – council attendees were presented with the Honors Course Curriculum review sheet and the course objectives and plans for the following courses.
- SYG 2000H had a few requested edits to include using a different core ability (perhaps the same one as the SYG 2000), listing all evaluation methodologies are listed, and moving the honors component - research project – to be one course competency with learning objectives for that course competency listed under that course competency.
- STA 2023H was approved by the Honors Council with comma edits.
- MAC 2312H was approved by the Honors Council with comma edits.
- MAC 2311H was approved by the Honors Council with comma edits and a capitalization edit.

VII. Honors Strategic Planning for 2016-2020
- Honors Retreat attendees came up with suggestions for the new strategic plan at the 9-11 AM retreat. Dr. Roslonowski will compile the list and send these to the Council to consider for development of the new strategic plan at the October meeting.
- Honors Retreat faculty suggestions included:
  o Expand offerings of honors courses in underrepresented disciplines.
  o Develop honors sections of general education courses.
  o Develop honors fine arts courses.
  o Expand honors faculty across disciplines by recruiting faculty in underrepresented disciplines.
  o Increase variety of courses available on individual campuses.
  o Coordinate honors offerings both on campuses and between adjacent campuses.
  o Enhance honors learning opportunities goal should include end of program survey for all and add individual course satisfaction survey, as well as adding honors program retention statistics.
  o Volunteer Activities Goal- needs to increase to 45 hours, measure using Center for Service Learning statistics.
  o Keep goal of increase participation in the honors program but change benchmark of enrollment to individual campuses rather than as an aggregate.
  o Keep goal of decreasing cancellations using strategies such as decreasing cap to 10 and exploring eLearning as an honors option.
  o Complete career focused volunteer activities with a benchmark of 10% of students as citizen scholars.
- Expand honors enrollment goal—benchmark should be increased from 25% to something higher.
- To increase program satisfaction—assign honors faculty to mentor honors students

VIII. Honors Budgeting for 2015-2016
- Dr. Roslonowski reported that the funding for honors from both student activities and fund 1 budgets is similar to last year.
- Faculty are encouraged to put in requests for materials and travel through the Honors Program office in PB.

IX. Honors Programming for 2015-2016
- Discussion indicated faculty would like to take their honors students on trips to conferences and educational sites, it was decided that instead of having formal, non-course related travel opportunities, faculty will drive honors student travel.
- Students, not connected to a specific honors course travel, will have the opportunity to attend any trips as well as space is available.
- Convocation dinner location may need to change as The Palm Café is no longer operating. Matt’s Casbah, Tuscany Grill were presented as options. Anyone having a suggestion of a good location for the dinners, please let Dr. Roslonowski know. Honors Convocation dates are Thursday, December, 2015 at 6:30 PM and Thursday, May, 2016 at 6:30 PM.
- Council members would like to see an honors college day where colleges from across the state that have honors programs come to one of our campuses and recruit our students for their 4 year program.

X. Next Honors Council meeting will be Friday, October 30, 2015 at 10:30 AM-12:00 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted to the Honors Council by Dr. Mary Roslonowski on Monday, August 31, 2015.