

University Honors Advisory Council
Minutes
27 August 2014

Present: Beckman, S.; Bell-Scriber, M.; Crk, I.; Hecht, K.; Roucka, T.; Shustrin, K.;
Smallman, L.; Springer, C.; Tucker, C.; Voss, E.; Ware, K.; Ruckh, E. (chair)
Absent: Belasen, A.; Berger, C.; Dudley, M.
Non-voting Guests Present: Strasen, C.; Caveny, I.

I. Welcome and Introductions

The Council welcomed new members—Dr. Eric Voss, one of CAS’s representatives, and Sterling Beckman, one of the Honors Student representatives—a guest—alum Ian Caveny ('13)—and the Honors Program graduate assistant, Christian Strasen,

II. Announcements

A. Director’s Report (AY13-14)

The Director briefly discussed his plans for AY 14-15 (curricular reform, the development of a uniform honors course solicitation process, the development of student evaluations for Honors seminars, the expansion of the Scholars FIC, the review of mentoring in the honors program, and the website redesign.

B. Enrollment Report (Fall 2014)

The Director discussed: the creation of an honors enrollment reporting mechanism through the Registrar’s and Vice Chancellor of Enrollment Management’s Offices during Summer 2014; the value of these procedures in the long-term; the ability to use them to keep better track of honors students. In addition the Director broadly discussed the implications of the number of incoming first-year honors students (154).

C. Budget

The Director briefly discussed the budget and discussed the 3.2% cut that he made for FY14-15.

III. Approval of Minutes from 18 April 2014

Springer motioned to approve minutes; Roucka seconded. Approved unanimously.

IV. Establishing Terms for Faculty Representatives

Following the Council’s operating papers, faculty terms on the Council were staggered (1, 2, and 3 years). The length of faculty terms was established.

V. Provisional Schedule for AY14-15

The Director's provisional schedule of the Council's work in AY14-15 was discussed and minor modifications made.

VI. Adjournment

Voss moved; Springer seconded. Unanimously carried.