

## **MINUTES**

### **HONORS ADVISORY BOARD**

Wednesday, February 9, 2011

Cottonwood Room – 12:00 p.m.

**Present:** Michael McGuire (Chair), Jennifer Ball, Lisa Sharpe Elles, Dannah Hartley, Martha Imparato, Reinhild Janzen, Vickie Kelly, Emily Mihelcic (for Rachel Marlett), Denise Ottinger, Sangyoub Park, David Pownell, Carol Prim, Jim Smith, and CJ Crawford (Administrative support)

The committee minutes from December 15, 2010 were approved.

#### **HONORS STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT**

Informational meeting for potential students is on Friday, February 11. Brea is having members actively recruit potential students to join the program.

Amy Molina is talking with Let's Help about starting a service project (tutoring).

Council is working on the Honors Thesis policy and the Probation policy.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

##### **Honors Thesis Policy**

This is being worked on by the student council. The goal is to have a policy draft for the board to review at its final meeting this semester. One item being proposed is for students to have a finished product that will be submitted to the board and then put into the archives.

##### **Probation Policy**

This is being worked on by the student council. The goal is to have a working policy in place by the end of the semester. Components being discussed are GPA, Honors credit, and service. After discussion, many members of the board didn't feel that service should be a component of probation.

##### **Etiquette Dinner**

Brea has been working with Lisa Sharpe Elles about an etiquette dinner. If there is one this spring, it will probably need to be a trial run with just honors students and then have a larger dinner in the fall for all students. Brea and Lisa are still working on the details.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### **Retroactive Credit Issue**

After discussion, it was decided not to award retroactive credit for a course that was not offered as an honors course at the time.

### **Scholarship Committee**

Members will be Michael McGuire, Denise Ottinger, Carol Prim, Dannah Hartley, and Jim Smith. Scholarship applications are due by March 1.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Michael announced that Eric McHenry will be the Humanities Division representative to the board, replacing Mo Godman.

### **Update on Course Proposals**

We haven't received many proposals. Michael asked the members to promote the honors program within their departments or units and talk about the Honors contract.

Michael said he is working to create a First Year Experience for Honors students. If anyone has any ideas, please send them to him or Dannah Hartley.

**The next Honors Advisory Board meeting is Wednesday, March 2 at 12:00 noon in the Cottonwood Room.**

The meeting adjourned.