Honors College Council, Fall of 2013

Nicholas Rogers - President John Malloy - Vice President James Loy - Secretary Munira Shahir - Treasurer Truptiben Sindhi - Historian Dr. Guzman-Rea - Faculty advisory

First meeting of August (08/26)

Attendance:

Nicholas Rogers John Malloy James Loy Munira Shahir

Topics:

Position Responsibilities:

Officer responsibilities were determined and defined.

- President and Vice President coordinate activities and HCC meetings. Only the President and Vice President can send mass emails to the Honors College members when necessary.
- Secretary records meeting minutes and event details, reserves rooms, and communicates with faculty. The Secretary's main purpose is communication.
- Treasurer manages the budget and reports funding to the HCC.

Vegas Night:

Tentative date for Vegas Night is Thursday, November 7 between 7 and 10. The currency was discussed to be play money which is already available. Possible prizes for participants may include UMBC Bookstore gift cards, while simpler door prizes would be basic prizes from a party store. Vegas Night was agreed to be held in the Commons Game Room, reservations for which is to be handled immediately. Faculty and Honors College members would be relied on for running the games. Cosponsors would include the Meyerhoff program and the LLC's. Invitation to all scholar programs would promote a large diversity of attendees.

Regular Meetings:

- For now, Officer meetings will occur weekly on Wednesdays from 12 to 1 p.m.
- Open meetings to all Honors College members will occur on September 11 and 25, October 9 and 23, and an open Vegas Night debriefing meeting on November 13.

Lunch in the Lounge:

- Three lunches are planned for each semester. Upcoming lunches are tentatively September 25th, October 23rd, and November 20th.
- Interesting topics and faculty/staff need to be found and asked to attend. A diverse set of topics is desired (not a monopoly of science teachers, for example).
- Dr. Hrabowski must be contacted in November about a spring semester lunch in the lounge.

Proposed HCC Positions:

Inclusion of new officer positions should increase interest in the HCC as well as allow more complex events to be carried out.

The addition of more Freshman Representatives to reach out to the new members of the Honors College as well as Transfer Representatives should benefit the HCC. Such a congregation of positions may best be utilized as a sub-council specifically responsible for increasing involvement of the new Honors College members in HCC activities.

Miscellaneous:

Announcements at the Honors Forum once a month would be an excellent way of increasing our visibility in the Honors College without excessive reminders. Such announcements would have to be cleared with Dr. Stacey and Dr. Kelber-Kaye.

HCC presence at the Involvement Fest would be mostly to advertise the upcoming Vegas Night in November. The officers of the HCC are expected to be present as they are able.