

University Honors Program Honors Committee Minutes

12/3/2021 @ 1:30p – 3:30p
Teams online meeting
384th Meeting
Approved

Voting Members Present: Jeremy Floyd (CVPA), Trude Jacobsen (CLAS), Natalie Joy (CLAS), Melanie Koss (COE), Alicia Larouech (STU), DeeAnna Phares (LIB), Nicholas Pohlman (EET), Barton Sharp (BUS), Ches Thurber (LAS), Leif Verace (STU), Melissa Walter (CHHS)

Voting Members Absent: Brian Acosta (STU), Rachel Cormier (STU), Ayanna Johnson (STU)

Ex-Officio Present: Andrea Radasanu (Honors)

Ex-Officio Absent: Omar Ghrayeb (Vice Provost)

Others Present: Linda Condon (Honors), Edey Cowan (Honors), Jason Goode (Honors), Patty Lee (Honors), Connie Storey (Honors)

- I. Approval of Agenda
Melanie Koss moved, Barton Sharp second, motion passed.
- II. Approval of Minutes from November 5th, 2021
Jeremy Floyd moved, DeeAnna Phares second, motion passed.
- III. Staff Reports
 - A. Director – Andrea Radasanu
 1. Notable ongoing projects this month:
 - a. Honors course instructor evaluation consent/course evaluation project
 - b. Honors Day planning & execution
 - c. Presidential recruitment planning
 - d. Faculty seminar proposals
 - e. Thousands Strong campaign -\$4,000
 - f. Rachowicz challenge/contributions
 - g. 2020 first-year cohort study
 - h. Capstone project with APLU/defining and rethinking capstones
 - i. APLU coHE annual conference; moderated panel on fundraising
 - j. Honors students versus non-honors students on COVID experiences (study with PCSW research group)
 - k. Advisory board prep
 - l. New fellowship program planning

- m. Spring co-curricular planning -including Barsema leadership workshops.
- n. Half-year assessment data gathering

B. Associate Director for Scholarships & Fellowships – Jason Goode

- 1. EYE Grant
 - a. Applications from Fernanda Montoya and Holly Young
- 2. National Fellowships
 - a. Workshops
 - i. Letters of Recommendation Workshop 11/4 @ 3 pm
 - ii. The Anne & Jason Show 11/18 @ 3 pm
- 3. Honors Scholarships
 - a. Alumni Honors Scholarship
- 4. McKearn
 - a. Cohort bonding events – Student Center and cooking in Wirtz Hall
- 5. Fellowships
 - a. Kansas University plan for recruiting students

C. Associate Director of Academic Strategic Planning – Edye Cowan

- 1. Advising
 - a. Preview Day – 11/11/21- 50+ students & their families attended a.m. presentation
 - b. Spring 2022 Orientation - 11/8, 11/17, 11/19, 12/3, 12/13
 - c. Virtual Preview Day 12/4/21
- 2. Honors Engaged
 - a. Applications
 - i. Approved – 212
 - ii. Denied – 13
 - b. Engaged Events
 - i. Mental Health First Aid Training - 18 students & faculty/staff attended both sessions
 - ii. Self-Care Workshop 11/29/21
 - iii. Virtual Peace Corps Information Session 12/1/21 3:30 p.m.
 - iv. Virtual Capstone Panel Discussion 12/3/21 – 3:30 p.m.
 - v. Honors Spring Break Trip
- 3. Capstones
 - a. Final Capstones Due 12/5/21
 - b. Outstanding Capstones Fall 2021
 - i. Nina Caliendo – Arts
 - ii. Jeremy Knoll – Humanities
 - iii. Finlay McElmeel – STEM
 - iv. Claire Miller – Social Science
 - v. Kaitlin Miller – Community Engagement
 - vi. Cassandra VanZuiden – Health
 - c. Outstanding Capstone Mentor Fall 2021

- i. Brian Sandberg, Department of History
 - d. Honors Poster Day Event
 - i. Symposium – available for viewing November 29 – December 10
 - ii. In-person display – 12/2/21
 - 4. Honors Fellows
 - a. Final Workday - 12/3/21
 - b. Social Media Person
 - c. Reapply for 2022-2023 school year – deadline 1/31/22
- D. Assistant Director of Programming and Communication – Connie Storey
 - 1. Events
 - a. Wellness event (fellows 11/29)
 - b. Honors day 12/2/21
 - c. Battle House 2/11
 - d. Medieval Times 3/5
 - 2. Luminary
 - a. Faculty spotlights due before finals
 - 3. Newsletter
 - a. Will send in January
- IV. Old Business
 - A. None
- V. New Business
 - A. EYE Grant Review – Two Eye Grants were received and approved by the Committee
 - B. Honors Committee will not be meeting in January 2022
- VI. Comments from Floor
 - A. Leif Verace displayed his artwork from Honors Seminar
 - B. How do we find the posters in the symposium?
- VII. Adjournment at 3:40 p.m.
Meeting adjourned by logging off.