

University Honors Program Honors Committee Minutes

11/4/2022 @ 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
In-person/remote Option available
391st Meeting
Approved

Voting Members Present: Diana Alvarez (STU), Melissa Fickling (EDU), Jeremy Floyd (CVPA), Grant Goral (STU), Hannah Havel (STU), Vanessa Olandese (STU), DeeAnna Phares (ULIB), Nicholas Pohlman (EET), Melissa Walter (CHHS-late)

Voting Members Absent: Ty Galbreath-Taylor (STU-late), Trude Jacobsen Gidaszewski (CLAS), Natalie Joy (CLAS), Larry Lurio (LAS), Barton Sharp (BUS), Ches Thurber (CLAS),

Ex-Officio Absent: Andrea Radasanu (Honors)

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

- I. Approval of Agenda
 - A. Barton Sharp moved, Grant Goral second, motion passed.
- II. Approval of Minutes (October 2022 meeting)
 - A. Grant Goral moved, Jeremy Floyd second, motion passed.
- III. Staff Reports
 - A. Director – Andrea Radasanu
 1. Notable summer 2022 projects:
 - a. RFP for Honors Faculty Fellowships
 - b. Planning NCHC external review, continued
 - c. Managing the onboarding of Suitable – including ensuring effective practices for getting students to complete multi-step tasks
 - d. NCHC presentation – lead on a group presentation (November 5th); APLU CoHE presentation November 6th
 - e. Effective documentation of Honors practices
 - f. Engagement Taskforce
 - g. OSEEL management
 - h. Rehiring for office administrator (Patty retiring)
 - i. Assessment – following 2020 cohort
 - B. Associate Director for Scholarships & Fellowships – Jason Goode
 1. National Fellowships
 - a. Marshall update
 - b. Fulbright committee – 2 applicants
 2. Honors Popcorn Fundraiser

3. EYE Grant – Nov 15 is deadline
 - a. Workshops hosted on 10/13 & 10/21
 4. McKearn
 - a. ILAS 440H Class
 - b. Bonding Events
 - i. Syco Escape Room
 - ii. Rec Center
 5. Lincoln Laureate
 - a. Meet and Greet
 - b. Story - <https://niutoday.info/2022/10/24/named-nius-2022-lincoln-laureate-vilaya-sirivong-empowers-others/>
- C. Associate Director of Academic Strategic Planning – Edye Cowan
1. Advising
 - a. Registration
 - i. Priority Registration – 11/7 via MyNIU
 - ii. After November 14th – students can register via Navigate
 - b. Preview Day – 11/7
 - c. Spring 2023 Orientation – 11/14, 11/18, 11/22, 12/2, 12/12
 2. Capstones
 - a. Capstone Reception – 11/10 3:00 p.m. Honors Lounge
 - b. Honors Poster Day Event – 12/1 4:00 p.m.
 3. Suitable Updates
 4. Honors Fellows
 - a. Fellows Around Campus
 - i. October 31-November 4
 - a) Patterson Hall
 - b) Holmes Student Center
 - c) Center for Black Studies
 - d) Engineering Building
 - b. Multiple advising appointments
- D. Assistant Director of Programming and Communication – Connie Storey
1. Events
 - a. Soup-er Wednesdays 11/2, 11/16, and 12/7
 - b. Syco Escape Rooms 11/17
 - c. Popcorn Thursdays 1-3pm
 - d. Honors Day 12/1, 4-6:30pm
 2. Connect
 - a. [Suitable](#)
 - b. Send me events to advertise
 3. Instagram – 72 followers

- a. Send me [pictures!](#)
- b. [Student Survey](#)

IV. Old Business
A. None

V. New Business
A. EYE grant review (begins before next meeting)
B. Presidential Scholarship interviews (faculty volunteers)

VI. Comments from Floor
A. HHI members Huskie Vote Challenge. Helping students to vote.

VII. Adjournment at 1:52 pm
A. Grant Goral moved, Nicholas Pohlman second, motion passed.