Honors Student Advisory Council

Meeting on October 7, 2012

In Attendance: Jeremiah, Ashley, April, Jessica, Matt, Courtney, Tina, Sarah, Ethan, Celie, Jasper, Stacy, Lindsey, Martin, Valerie

Call to Order at 8:03 p.m.

A final Starvation Gultch recap was had as both Starvation Gultch Committee Chairs were there. In general consensus it was found that Starvation Gultch building in general was pretty awesome. The awards related to Starvation Gultch had not yet been announced. It was suggested that in the future a more purposeful pre-planning event would be useful and perhaps having the prospective builders attending an HSAC meeting the week before Starvation Gultch. In terms of having a Starvation Gultch booth, it was agreed that the application must be submitted the day the application submission opens.

HSAC has a one term student representative vacancy. The issues of feasibility were conducted, and it was decided that for a one term student representative- it was not practical to launch and spend the effort. Matt Carrick was the only student to express interest in the position. Matt Carrick was appointed by presidential appointment and confirmed by a unanimous vote by HSAC members.

A discussion was held over the current HSAC meeting, and it was decided the HSAC will continue meeting Sunday at 8pm at the Honors House.

HSAC and the Honors Program have had some miscommunication over the reimbursement process relating to the Talk like a Pirate Day. Based on this experience HSAC wants to have a written document outlining how and when it is appropriate for the Honors Program to make purchases for HSAC events. This motion passes unanimously. Courtney will create a google document of the currently proposed later and share it with Stacy, Valerie, Tina, April, and Ashley. The final product of our discussion will be reviewed for approval next HSAC meeting.

HSAC will participate in the Film Club Scavenger Hunt on Saturday, October 13th. Students will meet at the Honors House at 12pm and then go to the Wood Center at 12:30pm to participate. HSAC will pay the $10 group entrance fee. Valerie agreed to loan her camera to a responsible party. Jeremiah will put up a sign up sheet. No official team leader was assigned due to nebulousness regarding Saturday scheduling.

April spoke to Nycolett about HSAC’s and the Honors Program’s coordination regarding electronic presence. Currently HSAC control the Honors Program facebook page. Nycolett would like to also be able to post pictures and descriptions of ongoing Honors Program events. Grace will meet with Nycolett to discuss the possibility and to also discuss placing a link to the HSAC website from the Honors Program website.

HSAC will postpone hosting the Honors Summer Experience until January. Jessica will chair the event. Further discussion is tabled until January.

The Spelling Bee will be hosted on Thursday, November 1st at 7pm. April will check with the Hess Rec to see about reserving the space. If that is not available, we will host the event above the Lola Tilly Commons.

HSAC will host a Halloween Extravaganza. The Halloween Extravaganza will include two parts: the decorating and the partying. The decorating will begin at 10am on Saturday, October 20th. The partying will begin at 6pm on Saturday, October 20th. Matt will chair the event. During this week, Matt will talk to the Honors Program to assess what decoration exist and to assess whether the program would be willing to purchase pumpkins to be carved. Stacy agreed to make Halloween themed cupcakes for the party. Jessica agreed to make pumpkin fries. Matt will investigate the possibility of making home made candy corn. Matt will also procure a sign up for the event and post it in the Honors House. Matt will investigate the possibility of decorating outside of the house – i.e. a haunted trail. A request has been made for a custom contest to be included for the party. Further details and budgetary details will be fleshed out during next week’s meeting.

Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is November 11-17th. Jeremiah has agreed to be in charge of the event. During this next week Jeremiah will begin the process of putting together the UAF events form. It is agreed that in order to make the event successful a minimum of 20 people must be committed and involved. A charity must be committed to, a form of communication (google form) must be established, and Psi Chi has agreed to volunteer its membership.

The HSAC Constitution will come under revision of the HFAC during there next meeting – tentatively scheduled for October. The HSAC should review the Constitution to ensure that it is every bit as wonderful as previously believed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42pm