Meeting Minutes HSAC for February 3rd, 2013

Meeting called to order at 7:34pm

Chancellor’s gala Recap: We can improve this event by arriving earlier and establishing our coat checking system before guests arrive. We may also consider having fewer people involved next year. Our profits totaled to $473 in tips.

Motown Cabaret (2/15): Either April or Jeremiah will be going to this event, along with one other person. Matthew has volunteered to go.

Denali Winterfest (2/22-24): The co-chairs for this event are Martin and Matthew. Martin has found out that we will need to provide shovels, sleeping bags, and any other gear. Matthew and Jessica have both tried reaching the Denali Education Center and were unsuccessful. The co-chairs will put up posters and create a Facebook event for this trip as well as sending a message about the event to the list serve. We will try to get a simple poster about the event up in the Honors house tonight. Jessica has left a voicemail with Denali Education Center in the hopes that they will get back to us with more information.

Excellence in Teaching Luncheon (4/2): Tuesday is the best day we have come up with so far. The event will start at 12:30pm and the ceremony will start at 1pm. We talked about how we would logistically set up this event and how to increase student involvement in the process. We decided that students will read their nominations aloud, and if possible we will limit Dr. Laursen’s speaking time. Students will assist in clean up from 2:00-2:30pm. Valerie suggested that this year’s theme be comfort foods.

UAF Campus Research Day (4/30): Barbara Taylor has asked that the Honors Program and council have more of a presence at UAF Research Day.

Our Ice Park trip will tentatively occur on March 8th and the Chena Hot Springs trip is tentatively set for March 22nd.

Open Liberal Arts: Stacey and Ashley will talk about the philosophy of this event, contact more people, and try to pinpoint a general time for it to occur.

Summer Opportunities: Jessica has plans to check into this event more, contact more people, and find a good time for the event to occur.

Presentations to Capstone classes: Stacey and Matthew made an announcement concerning the kitchen use policy in one class last Thursday. Ashley will be announcing kitchen and house use policy to the Monday class from 4:40-6:10pm, and April will be presenting in the Tuesday afternoon class. We still need a Tuesday evening presenter from 4-5pm. In addition, Ashley will e-mail Nycollett about the number of students who have signed the house contract and the number of students enrolled into the program to help determine in our current strategies are worth our while.

Kitchen Posters: Our kitchen posters have been switched out for two new posters.

Newsletters: We discussed having the newsletter writing occur on a rotating basis and/or having the newsletter written by a newsletter committee. It was also suggested that a sub-committee be used to proofread and edit the newsletter before distribution. The purpose of the newsletter would be to build a stronger relationship with the Honors student body. Newsletters would be distributed bi-weekly. Jeremiah will talk to Dr. Laursen about establishing the newsletters, and our first one will not be distributed until at least the week after next.

Jeremiah read the constitution because our meeting obviously had not lasted long enough as it was. Go figure.