**Honors Student Advisory Council (HSAC) Minutes 5/5/13**

**Present:**

Jeremiah Harrington, President

Jessica McLaughlin, Vice-President

April Mustard, Treasurer

Tina Drumhiller, Historian

Grace Amundsen, Webmaster

Stacey Krepel, Student Representative

Emily Smola, Student Representative

Mathew Carrick, Student Representative

Ashley Strauch, Student Representative

Martin Harrington, Student Representative

Lindsey Klueber, Guest

Celie Hull, Guest

Shelby Surdyk, Guest

Koty Emery, Guest

Courtney Enright, Guest

**URSA Research Day**

4/30/13

* April Mustard, Mathew Carrick, and Grace Amundsen all volunteered as student workers at URSA Research Day
* Grace Amundsen and the other volunteers have expressed concern over lack of communication regarding Research Day. The Council has agreed that next year’s efforts may be improved by forming a more cohesive, organized volunteer group. Additionally, help should be sought from the general Honors student body, not just the Council.
* Additional concerns were raised over the issues regarding students’ research poster printing in the Honors House, which was often faulty and rushed. In future, the Council has agreed to take the following steps to resolve any issues regarding poster printing:
  + Facilitate communication between Dr. Gary Laursen, Honors Program Director, and the Honors student body.
  + Request that Councilmembers be trained to operate the Honors House poster printer and that the Council take responsibility for printing posters. This will allow for more direct communication with the student body and will distribute the workload across a greater number of people, improving efficiency.

**Honors Shirts**

* While the UAF’s royalty fee on the use of the university logo has been waived, the Council has learned that the royalty fee will be reinstated should the Council sell any shirts.
* As a solution, the Council has agreed that the shirts will be given for free, but we will suggest that each “buyer” make a donation of approximately $5.
* Since any money gained from the shirts will now be donated, previous issues arising from the Council making money have been resolved. As such, the Council has agreed that all donations will be entered into the Council’s bank account.
* A shirt order has been received from a student in Anchorage, raising concerns involving shipping costs. The Council has decided to ship the shirt to Anchorage anyway.
* Concerns have been raised over a location for storing the shirts.
  + Dr. Laursen has suggested the Honors House garage, but the Council has rejected this suggestion.
  + The shirts are currently stored in Kerrie Dufseth’s office, but this is only a temporary measure. Emily Smola will speak to Dufseth about relocating the shirts to one of the Honors House storage rooms.

**Finals Support**

5/6-10/13

* Jeremiah Harrington has spoken to the Honors House administration about the Council providing brown bags full of snacks to the Honors student body during Finals Week. However, Kerrie Dufseth and Nycolett Ripley have suggested that, as an alternative, they will replace the brown bags with macaroni and cheese and soup. The Council has agreed to this suggestion and thanks Dufseth and Ripley for their efforts.
* Tina Drumhiller will still make fudge for Finals Week, and will store the fudge in the Honors House freezer.

**Elections**

Jessica McLaughlin is the Elections Chair

* The official results of the election have been announced:
  + President: Mathew Carrick
  + Vice-President: Ashley Strauch
  + Secretary: Stacey Krepel
  + Treasurer: Celie Hull
  + Historian: Lindsey Klueber
  + Student Representative: Koty Emery, Shelby Surdyk, Emily Smola, Evan Mathers, and Kayleen Hansen
* Jeremiah Harrington will transfer account information for the Council website and email to Mathew Carrick.
* April Mustard will transfer all accounts, responsibilities, and associated information relating to the Treasurer position to Celie Hull.

**House screens**

* Concerns have been raised over the number of insects entering the Honors House through the windows during Spring and Summer. To help resolve this issue, the Council will request that the Honors Program consider placing screens on the House windows.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:35**