

Minutes
Honors Program Council
Friday 11 January 2008

Members present: S. Hill, Buczala, Hayes, Rubio (chair), Smith, Brown, Palmer, Stephenson, Student Council president

Members absent (excused): Doherty, Eisenstadt, Lowe, R. Hill

Members absent (unexcused): Saydam, Thompson, Wilson

The meeting was called to order by Rubio (chair) on Friday 11 January 2008 at 11 AM in 324 Brown Hall. Next meeting time: Thursday 6 March in 324 Brown Hall.

Item 1: Committees for 2008

- A) Recruitment: Stephenson, Doherty, Lowe, Thompson
- B) Scholarship: S. Hill, Rubio, Wilson
- C) Retention: R. Hill, Palmer, Hayes
- D) Quiz Bowl: Brown, Buczala, Eisenstadt

Item 2: Committee reports

- A) Recruitment (Stephenson reporting)
 - Night of Scholars: 29 January 2008
 - People needed to stand at board
 - R. Hill nominated, Rubio volunteered

- B) Scholarship (S. Hill reporting)
 - Allocated \$10,000 for spring 2008
 - Have \$3,000 for summer session 1
 - ca 30 active students

- C) Quiz Bowl (Brown reporting)
 - To be held 23 February 2008 (8:30 AM – 1:30 PM)
 - Costs: University conference center (ca. \$100), Aramark catering (ca. \$300)
 - Keynote speaker: Palmer nominated John Knesel (Professor, Biology, ULM). -----This was approved by the committee. Dean Cass (College of Arts and Sciences) -was nominated as an alternate.
 - Expecting 8 teams

Item 3: Colloquium

- Must be canceled for spring 2008 semester because there is no one to teach it
- Final proposals for the Fall 2008 are due by 28 February 2008

Item 4: Applications

- A) Lauren Miller (approved)
- B) Jason Weiner (approved)

There was some discussion regarding the minimum requirements needed and the subjective nature of the decision-making.

Item 5: Fall classes

To be offered: English 110H, English 219H, History 209H, Math 201H, Soc 301H, Colloquium

Item 6: Banquet

Will be held in March/April 2008.

Item 7: Other

Smith announced the Celebration event (24 January 2008). Honors students would be welcomed as guides and helpers with information tables. This led to a reminder of other upcoming events: Browse, Quiz Bowl, Celebration and Night of Scholars.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Loren Hayes
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