Honors Council minutes – Thurs, 6 March 2008

Present: Hayes (scribe), Eisenstadt, Stephenson, Rubio (chair), Buczala, S. Hill, R. Hill, Smith, Wilson, Brown, A. Price (Student)

Absent: Excused: Saydam, Palmer, Lowe; Thompson, Doherty.

A) Fall 08 courses

The following classes will be offered in Fall 2008

- SS301 H – Willermet
- English 219 H – Adams
- English 101 H – Harris
- History 209 H – Bonty

B) Recruitment (Stephenson)

- Browse – 15 March (help needed)
- T-shirts are in and cost $23.00 per member

C) Colloquium (Rubio)

- This will require two faculty members
- It has been cancelled two times in a row
- John Sutherland is willing to lead it in Fall 08

Discussion: The council discussed a new model suggested by S. Hill. The new model is project-based and student-led. The council asked A. Price to lead a discussion with Honors students. The students should submit a formal proposal to the council. The proposal should outline the following key points:

(i) Objectives
(ii) Themes
(iii) Structure
(iv) Anticipated outcomes
(v) Mechanism of evaluation

D) Quiz Bowl (Brown)

- 6 teams participated in 2008

Discussion: There was discussion about dropping Quiz Bowl. However, since it is a good recruiting tool, the council discussed inviting Recruitment to help. Rubio suggested increasing the subcommittee to four council members. Alternative activities include a student conference in which area HS students can showcase their talents. Wilson said that she would discuss this idea with Recruitment.

E) Co-Chair

- Rubio needs someone to volunteer as co-Chair. If not, he will ask the Provost to assign someone as co-Chair.

F) Other

- The council reviewed the letters that are sent to students applying to the HC.
- The next meeting will take place on Monday 28th of April 2008 at 3:30pm in Brown Hall 324