

Honors College Faculty Council

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March22, 2019 | 3:30 PM5:00 PM | Hubbard Hall 112

## Attendance

Present:Douglas Parham (chair 20-22019, partial meeting attendanc) – Health Professions; Nathan Filbert (chair elect) University Libraries; Holger MeyerLAS Math/Natural Sciences; Atul Rai –Business; Honors Advisorex officio; Honors Deanex officio; Moriah Beck – Chemistry (presenter)

Absent: Elaine Bernstorf Fine Ats; Samantha Gregus LAS Social Sciences; Patrick Bondy LAS Humanities; Roy Myose –



<u>Deepak.Gupta@wichita.edu</u> Holger is in all three groups. Jessie Raburn wondered if there would be interest in a Sustainability Group in the Honors College.

x Douglas Parham reported on the success of the Honors/Graduate School workshop on Creating a Research Posteß4 attended -all feedback positive.

## Old Business:

Holger Meyer and Moriah Beck answered questions about the proposal. Dr. Moriah Beck -Chemistry, Dr. Holger MeyerPhysics, Dr. Doug EnglishChemistry, Dr. Heidi Bell, and Dr. Will Parcell -Geology are authors and current contacts in involved departments. There was discussion regarding Minor requirements (22 credit hours) whether it should be 5 of 6 labs or all 6 labs as written. It was decided to proceed as written in the pilot phase and see how it goes. Currently CHEM 212 is piloting the HNRS Lab and may be CHEM 211 in Fall 2019. Dean Engber queried the viability of HNRS lab in all courses if student numbers are small. Holger mentioned that if there were less than 5 students, there could be an Honorsporeparate in



## As May Arise

- x Dean Engber reported on Student Council's concerns with diversity in admissions and scholarships in the Koch selection processes. That limiting majors to Business and Engineering greatly impacts diversity of Majors and needs to be more transparent to applicants if the values and selection process is restricted to certain majors. It was proposed that the impact on diversity owing to restricted majors be evidenced and presented to donors and that further discussion on the fit between scholarships and the Honors College be considered.
- x Assessment of Honors General Assembly input
- x Faculty Outreach and Involvement Discussion <u>https://www.wichita.edu/academics/honors\_college/Faculty\_Portal.php</u>
  - o What are we currently doing to recruit faculty / departmental involvement
  - o What are Faculty Council roles and responsibilities in this regard
  - o How might we effectively build involvement