Honors College Council, Fall of 2013

Nicholas Rogers - President John Malloy - Vice President James Loy - Secretary Munira Shahir - Treasurer Truptiben Sindhi - Historian Dr. Guzman-Rea - Faculty advisory

Second meeting of September (09/19)

Attendance:

Nicholas Rogers John Malloy James Loy Munira Shahir Truptiben Sindhi

Topics:

Freshman Representative:

- Currently, one nominee is a full candidate. One nominee is only missing a submitted picture, which may or may not be necessary. Two people have accepted their nomination and are working on their statement/blurb. One other person is nominated, and the Secretary is awaiting their approval of the nomination. Thus, 5 candidates are emerging for the election.
- The Freshman Representative Sub-Council may not be necessary at all HCC meetings for more than a biweekly participation, though we should require at least one member of the Freshman Representatives attending each weekly meeting to allow adequate communication with the sub-council.
- Nominations will close next Wednesday (9/25) and voting will occur Two Mondays from now (9/30).

Lunches in the Lounge:

- Food for next week's first Lunch in the Lounge needs to be purchased. John will manage this first event and determine whether the HCC must purchase the food from our budget, or whether the Honors College will pay for the food.
- James and Munira will attempt to contact their suggested faculty for the third Lunch in the Lounge again next week. This is not as urgent as the third Lunch in the Lounge will be in late November.

Vegas Night:

• There has been difficulty obtaining a roulette table for the event. Nick has suggested asking the DEVICE club to build one, although, being one month in advance, it is uncertain whether they will be able to help. Nick will contact them before next meeting.

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- The Treasurer has determined our budget should not greatly exceed \$600 for the event. However, given the limited expense of next semester's social event (the Retriever Bowl), it is not exceptionally precarious to exceed this budget.
- We are not allowed to ask the SGA for funding for our Prizes.

Vegas Night To-do List:

- 1. Scope out decorations for the game room. Nick and John plan on checking the game room after this meeting.
- 2. Ask AlChE to handle marketing the event.
- 3. Determine food specifics. The food should be refreshments rather than a provided meal. How to purchase the food should be determined well in advance of the event.
- 4. For prizes, we must begin asking nearby companies for donated prizes (i.e. gift cards). The President will create a formal letter to specific companies asking for prizes. Estimating an 80% decline rate, Nick suggested 20-25 companies would be ideal to ask for donated prizes. Next meeting, the HCC officers will help Nick write the letters to nearby companies, which should be determined by all HCC officers.
- 5. For the grand prize, the HCC must ask Dr. Hrabowski about the possibility of offering a lunch with him as the grand prize. Based on his response and the donations from companies, we may not offer a Kindle Fire as a prize, helping our budget for the event.
- 6. Truptiben will investigate the complexities of paper money for the event.

Budget:

The Treasurer will distribute the proposed budget to the HCC members. We currently have \$1000 for this year's events.