



Honors Committee Agenda

Monday, August 28, 2023

ZOOM Meeting

2:30-4:00 PM

Type of Meeting: *Regular*

Note Taker: Towana Catley

Please Review/Bring: Agenda Packet & Minutes

Committee members: (bolded names reflects attendance)

Towana Catley, Faculty Co-Chair

Dr. Darcy Wiewall, Faculty Co-Chair

Rae Agahari, Arts & Humanities (ends Fall'24)

David L. Adams, Social & Behavioral Sciences

Tamira Palmetto Despain, Counseling &
Ex-Officio

Elinda Parkinson, Health & Safety Sciences

Mike Pesses, Math Sciences Engineering

**Suda Anunta, proxy for Pavinee Villapando, Math,
Sciences & Engineering**

Dr. Matthew Jaffe, Social & Behavioral Sciences

Kevin North, At-Large

Dr. Rachel Jennings Tafarella, At-Large

**Alberto Mendoza Gonzalez Larreynaga, Adjunct
Representative**

**Tom Graves, proxy for Gregory Langner, Language &
Communication Arts proxy for Gregory Langner**

Vejea Jennings, Ex-Officio

John Vento, Ex-Officio

OPEN, Athletics & Kinesiology

OPEN, Library

OPEN, Math Sciences Engineering

OPEN, TAP Representative

OPEN, ASO Representative

Items	Person	Action
I. Call to Order and Roll Call	Towana & Darcy	Call to order 2:37pm Reviewing end terms for all committee members and getting honors website list of terms updated. Greg will ask to continue Rae ends Fall'24 Matthew ends Fall'24 ? Alberto ? David ? Kevin ask to continue
II. Open Comments from the Public		
III. Informational Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Honors Ambassador Orientation • TAP Honors Syllabi Repository 	Towana & Darcy	<u>Ambassadors:</u> Represents AVC Honors at high school events. Purely to promote honors program and share their experience. 19 interests, 7 completed.

		<p><u>TAP Honors Syllabi Repository:</u> Darcy to reach out to those we still need syllabi for to get them to upload</p>
<p>IV. Approval of Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of Minutes – April 24, 2023 	<i>All</i>	<p><u>Issues Discussed:</u> All honors courses were full and did not face cancelation due to low enrollment.</p> <p><u>Action Taken:</u> Rae moves, Alberto seconds to approve April meeting minutes. All in favor; Tom and Suda abstains.</p> <p><u>Follow Up Items:</u></p>
<p>V. Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> n/a 	Towana & Darcy	
<p>VI. Action Item</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honors Student Mixer Fall date Honors Option Contract System Revision Process 	<i>All</i>	<p><u>Issues Discussed:</u></p> <p><u>Action Taken:</u></p> <p><u>Follow Up Items:</u></p>
<p>VII. Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verify Honors Committee Members Term ending 3.0 Honors TAP vs 3.25 GPA College Honors Honors TAP Regalia Honors Student Mixer Fall date 2023-2024 Committee Goals 2023-24 Subject Area Awards (SAA) Memorandum Honors Option Contract System Revision Process Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Honor Society Honors space @ Hub 	<i>All</i>	<p><u>Issues Discussed:</u> <u>College Honors (3.25) vs Honors TAP (3.0) Scholars:</u> There was confusion from students about the difference between the two. Perhaps <u>Honors TAP Regalia</u> be something to provide to our graduates. Check in with College Honors Graduation Office to see what regalia they get and get something else for our scholars (i.e. pin, medal).</p> <p><u>Honors Mixer:</u> Tentative Date Oct 12, Thursday 12:30-2:30pm for Fall 2023. For Spring 2024 have an evening mixer.</p> <p><u>Committee Goals:</u> Request for committee to review the goals and email Darcy feedback/comments.</p> <p><u>SAA Awards:</u> Reviewed the requirements for SAA. Initiated dialog about the process. Requesting committee members to reflect and bring back comments/ideas at next meeting. Nominations are not guaranteed to receive the SAA. Nominations are verified by</p>

Co-Chairs. Requesting feedback of committee members in the process of SAA to be revisited considering the various issues that occurred in Spring 2023. Asking committee members to bring up SAA with division early and discuss the importance of the SAA, give reason to the process, and faculty attendance to Honors Convocation.

Idea:

Use embedded leads to help vet the SAA nominations! Also to have a shared google doc that counselors see the names nominated by their faculty so there's no double dipping.

PTK Honor Society:

Co-chairs met with President Zellet and CEO of PTK along with former Pres of Cerro Coso College with the discussion of having AVC becoming a member of PTK. Shared discussion from the meeting with the Honors Committee. Seeking feedback from the committee.

Alpha Iota and Alpha Gamma Sigma overall have been struggling with membership across the CA Community Colleges. Discussion from the committee leans on waiting with PTK activity; seeking more information.

Honors TAP @ Hub:

Hub Space 106

Must be used> promote to honors faculty and letting them know about the space (create a calendar)

Honors Option Contract System

Revision Process:

Discussed faculty requirements to offer Honors Option Contract (for old and new). Finalizing the revised requirements as a committee.

Requesting committee members to review on their own and bring feedback, and to report this division meetings.

Action Taken:

Honors Mixer Date>>Elinda motions, Rae

		<p>seconds to approve, all in favor. Tom abstains.</p> <p><u>Follow Up Items:</u> Towana to follow up with Graduation and Academic Senate.</p> <p>Darcy to check out the potential Hub space 106 for Honors.</p>
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NEXT MEETING DATE: September 25, 2023		

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TO: Deans, Directors, Faculty



DATE: February 12, 2023

FROM: Howard Davis, Interim VP Academic Affairs & Dr. Darcy L. Wiewall, Honors Co-Coordinator

SUBJECT: NOMINATIONS FOR 2022-2023 SUBJECT AREA AWARDS

The following are directions for submitting nominations for Subject Area Awards:

1. Nominations for outstanding student academic achievement in subject areas and/or divisions must be made no later than the close of business on **Friday, March 17, 2023.**

Faculty – please forward all nominations to your Dean for approval. Once approved, your