



**ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE  
HONORS COMMITTEE MEETING  
September 28, 2009  
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Room A141**

To conform to the open meeting act, the public may attend open sessions

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**
2. **OPENING COMMENTS FROM THE HONORS COMMITTEE CHAIR**
3. **OPEN COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - a. 9/22/08; 11/24/08; 2/23/09; 4/27/09
5. **PRESENTATION** – None
6. **REPORTS**
  - a. TAP Council Meeting and UCLA Report
  - b. Alpha Iota Report
7. **ACTION ITEMS** – None
8. **DISCUSSION**
  - a. Raising the student maximum to 20 per class
  - b. Faculty inspired workshops for honors students
  - c. Planning for honors orientation
  - d. Looking at honors option projects
9. **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**
  - a. Meeting dates for Fall Semester: September 28, October 26, November 23. All meetings will be held in A141.
10. **OTHER**
  - a. Kathy Moore thank you
11. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Members Present	Members Absent	Guests in Attendance
Dr. Tom O’Neil	Karen Lubick	
Rae Agahari		
Rosa Fuller		
Judy Sullivan		
Kathy Moore		
Susan Knapp		
Stacy Adams		
Karole Obrikat – proxy for		
Stephanie Conley		

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Dr. Tom O’Neil, in the absence of Ms. Lubick, called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

**2. OPENING COMMENTS FROM THE HONORS COMMITTEE CHAIR (Karen Lubick)** – due to the absence of Ms. Lubick, there are no opening remarks.

**3. OPEN COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC** – None

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – a majority of the members had not received copies of the minutes that were to be approved at this meeting. A decision was made to table the approval to the next meeting.

**5. PRESENTATION** – None

**6. REPORTS**

**a. TAP Council Meeting and UCLA Report** – the committee tabled this item until Ms. Lubick returns at the next meeting. Ms. Susan Knapp reported that she will be going to UCLA on November 20 to attend the TAP Council Meeting and the Honors Day. A van will be provided to take students down to UCLA. Ms. Susan Moody (who is also attending) of the Transfer Office is handling this. The sign up begins on October 1 and each student must pay \$5.00. This will be returned to them upon arrival to board the van. The students will be given a presentation and then have the opportunity for a tour of the different divisions through the Honors Program. Committee members should make this known to the honors students that they have in their classes.

**b. Alpha Iota Report** – no report at this time.

**7. ACTION ITEMS** – None

**8. DISCUSSION**

a. **Raising the student maximum to 20 per class** – the current dictated number of students in an honors class is set at 15. To bring this into compliance with the contract and all other classes conducted at AVC, the VP of Academic Affairs would like to increase this to 20. Ms. Lubick had relayed that moving it to 18 would be the preferred choice at this time and was seconded by Ms. Moore. It was stated that moving to 20 would not allow the teacher to interact with the students and you would lose the ability to individualize with each one. The committee will table this until the next meeting when they can decide what type of statement they wish to make to the Administration. If they are, indeed, required to set the limit at 20 but will be on the record for 18, when better budget times hopefully come back, the precedent has been stated to have the course limit return to 18.

b. **Faculty inspired workshops for honors students** – the members present did not have knowledge of where or what this discussion item entailed. It was decided to table it to the next meeting.

c. **Planning for honors orientation** – this event was held in October 2008. Dr. O’Neil will check with Ms. Lubick on the date and relay that information to all members. The planning for this event is tabled to the next meeting.

d. **Looking at honors option projects** – there was some confusion as to what this subject related to. Dr. O’Neil will get clarification from Ms. Lubick. It was decided to table this item to the next meeting.

**9. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS** – the next meeting will be conducted on October 26 in A141 starting at 2:00 PM.

**10. OTHER -**

a. Kathy Moore thank you – Dr. O’Neil relayed a thank you to Ms. Moore.

b. There is a bus to UC Irvine that will be going on Monday, October 7. This is handled through the Transfer Center which also provides trips to other college campuses. This bus will be open to any student. This would be very important to our honors students as we have signed a contract with UC Irvine which duplicates the agreement we have with UCLA. UCLA recognizes the honors program at AVC. The difference is the paperwork that is filled out by Ms. Lubick and Ms. Knapp that verifies the six classes that honors students have taken plus meeting all of the requirements of the honors program. This packet is forwarded to UCLA (and now UC Irvine) that, if found to be in proper order, will give that student priority registration. This is very important due to the fact that the state budget will be forcing more students into the community colleges and, hence, the honors classes. So this will be a very important stepping stone for those students to gain entrance into upper level education.

**11. ADJOURNMENT** – the meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

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