

## **HONOR COMMITTEE MEETING**

November 10, 2019

### **I. ROLL CALL**

### **II. COMMUNITY INPUT**

- A. None.

### **III. OFFICER REPORTS**

#### **A. Vice Chair for Community Relations (Lucy Krasker)**

- 1. Honor Committee/Support officer Thanksgiving potluck upcoming 10/24 6 PM
- 2. Cosponsorships – Pancakes for Parkinson’s 11/9 and Charlottesville Sexual Assault Resource Agency annual fundraiser breakfast 11/13

#### **B. Vice Chair for Education (Mary Beth Barksdale)**

- 1. Recap of Honor popular assembly events
  - a) Honor community meet and greet – at least 125 attendees including members of CRDAC, lots of useful discussion and input from community members
  - b) Honor debate with Jefferson Society and Washington Society – standing room only
  - c) Faculty dinner with 15 faculty members and keynote speech from Sherri Moore, input from faculty members during dinner
  - d) Final event this evening 11/10 open Honor Committee meeting
- 2. Round of applause!

#### **C. Vice Chair for Investigations (Sally Greenberg)**

- 1. Reading of letter from Seven Society
- 2. Upcoming I-Panels staffed

#### **D. Vice Chair for Hearings (Alex Spratley)**

- 1. Potential upcoming hearings from I-Panels

#### **E. Chair (Lillie Lyon)**

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### **IV. SUBCOMMITTEE & WORKING GROUP REPORTS**

#### **A. Policies & Procedures Subcommittee (Committee Co-Chair: Stephen Paul)**

- 1. Working on initiatives around appeals process
- 2. Discussing new business tonight re: I-Panel accusations

#### **B. Faculty & TA Advisory Committee (Committee Co-Chair: Lucian Mirra)**

- 1. Update to faculty fact sheet finished for distribution

**C. Investigative Procedures Working Group** (Chair: Sally Greenberg)

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**D. Joint Cases Working Group** (Co-Chairs: Elizabeth Thompson and Todd Truesdale)

1. Received from feedback from P&P regarding recommendations and finalizing nuances.

**V. REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**

**A. ARCH:** Popular assembly event on 11/8, bagels and coffee event in ARCH school building, showed off Bicentennial educational posters, upcoming meeting with an academic dean.

**B. BATT:** Popular assembly event last week with donuts.

**C. CLAS:** Planning a CLAS-specific event in upcoming weeks.

**D. COMM:** Planning an Honor pitch event for COMM students – competition to pitch an honorable company for spring semester.

**E. NURS:** Working on upcoming event with MED – considering a working group on ethics in NURS with faculty.

**F. MED:** Delay in scheduling event but still planning on hosting co-event with NURS.

**G. GBUS:** Popular assembly event on 11/20, finalizing details and advertising in GBUS, working on exam guidelines consistency for finals.

**H. GSAS:** Meeting with ITS for improvements to OCP and demographic data collection.

**I. EDUC:** Met many different students, faculty, staff for popular assembly smores event.

**J. LAW:** None.

**K. SEAS:** Planning popular assembly event – potentially centered around faculty and student event in spring.

**L. SCPS:** Working on faculty and online education with Honor. Planning in-person event for on Grounds students.

**VI. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Code of Ethics Adoption**

1. 22-0 adopted by Committee, effective immediately.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Motion to Amend I-Panel Accusation**

1. Adding a new motion to the pre-hearing motions – this motion would allow for the wording of the I-Panel accusation to be changed, so the specific wording of the charges could be amended to avoid vagueness or confusion.

2. CLAS DW is in favor of this motion to allow for refining I-Panel accusations if necessary, oftentimes hearings and cases can turn on details and wording of accusation so crucial to have way to clarify. GSAS CM is in favor of the motion but also wants more specific guidelines for I-Panel members when making accusations. SEAS SG is skeptical that counsel may use this motion to change accusations to make the arguments easier for themselves, also would rather have stronger training for I-Panels to avoid the problem in the first place. CLAS MB thinks that the motion to amend would only be for clarification and not substantively changing charges to make it easier for counsel to argue.
3. BATT HN clarifies that this motion should only be sued for: indeterminate number of acts, charges inconsistent with by-laws, excessive vagueness to the extent where student's right to defend self is compromised. LAW SP says that motion cannot add or remove charges that are clearly already in accusation.
4. SCPS LM is in favor of amendment but for I-Panel to decide amendments and not have the pre-hearing make changes to accusations themselves, avoid conflicts of interest. BATT SS agrees to have the motion to amend and also in favor of better training for wording accusations, along with SCPS LM. CLAS MB states that better training is important and necessary but motion to amend is necessary as well to fix inevitable issues that may come up. GSAS CM asks what the standard for excessive vagueness should be – BATT HN states that it could go back to I-Panel but no specific standard yet, don't want to constrain ability to make necessary amendments. CLAS MB suggests creating categories of vagueness like missing information or undefined terms so there is no singular standard, some committee members agreed. SEAS SG clarifies that she currently checks with I-Panel members to make sure that they are comfortable with making the accusation but does not edit herself any issues. SCPS LM suggests that we should codify that VCI is present or available for all I-Panels to assist and answer questions. ARCH CG asks whether I-Panels would be forced to make amendments upon motion, how they would know what to fix in original accusation? Also may have to tweak procedural timing to make sure original I-Panels are still available across semesters and haven't graduated/left UVA – chair CLAS LL.

## **VIII. COMMUNITY INPUT**

- A. None.

**IX. CLOSED SESSION**