

HONOR COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA – SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

I. ROLL CALL (19/30 Present)

Seamus Oliver	P
Alex Church	P
Carson Breus	P
Thomas Ackleson	P
Ian Novak	A
Will Hancock	P
Laura Howard	P
Alicia Phan	A
McKenzie Jones	A
Suleiman Abdulkadir	P
Michael Sirh	A
Sheryl Loden	P
Simran Havaladar	P
Andrew Cornfeld	P
Rachel Fellman	A
Loi Dawkins	A
Brittany Toth	P
Meredith DeLong-Maxey	A
Clare Striegel	A
Cassidy Dufour	P
Ayda Mengistie	P
Mary Holland Mason	P
Margaret Zirwas	P
Hannah Lipinski	P
Penelope Molitz	P
Nile Liu	A
Lam-Phong Pham	A
Ben Makarechian	P
Vivian Mok	A
Hang Nguyen	P

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. None.

III. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

A. Laura Howard, Chair

1. Spoke at the new faculty lunch.
2. Attending activities fairs for recruitment efforts and participate in a panel for OAAA peer advisors.

3. Met with William & Mary Honor Chairs to discuss educational initiatives.
 4. Spoke at an international student orientation.
 5. S&R has been doing work with school supplies, ice cream, info sessions, etc.
 6. O-Day and convocation, and the O-Day makeup session all went smoothly.
- B. Seamus Oliver, Vice Chair for Investigations
1. Six cases under investigation.
 2. I am working on a few bylaws updates, specifically with express admissions of guilt. Also procedures we will be discussing later today.
- C. Alex Church, Vice Chair for Hearings
1. First hearing (closed) next Sunday, September 7th.
 2. First IC Pool meeting today was very successful.
- D. Carson Breus, Vice Chair for Sanctions
1. No updates.
- E. Will Hancock, Vice Chair for the Undergraduate Community
1. First AI dorm talks requests coming in for the language houses in September.
 2. CIO weekend details being worked out with Ben.
 3. We are sending out a form to all educators to produce outreach ideas. Representative educators should be reaching out soon.
- F. Ian Novak, Vice Chair for the Graduate Community
1. No updates.
- G. Thomas Ackleson, Vice Chair for Operations
1. Thanks to everyone working attended O Day, which went smoothly.
 2. New co-sponsorship rule: CIOs now allowed more than one co-spo per semester. Typical cap is \$500. On track to reach our goal.
 3. Big thanks to everyone who was able to attend convocation to help new first years sign the Honor Scrolls. Senior support officers helped with this too.
 4. Special thanks if you were helping put nickels, poems, and pamphlets on all the seats!
 5. I got us nameplates. I checked and checked for errors. Let me know if yours has an error. Leave them where you're sitting and I'll collect after.
 6. I'll hang around for a few minutes after the committee meeting to help with P-Card requests.

IV. **SUBCOMMITTEE & WORKING GROUP REPORTS**

- A. Policies and Procedures Committee
1. Mary Holland: First official meeting in the next week, and we have many exciting policy ideas we are working towards.
- B. Faculty Advisory Committee
1. Simran: First official meeting will be scheduled soon.
- C. Community Relations and Diversity Advisory Committee
1. Ben: First priority is adding community leaders to CRDAC's team. I met with Will about this. We have another meeting scheduled in September, and we hope to have a full roster at that time. Also working to support S&R in their outreach efforts.
- D. Data and Research Committee

1. Hang: We welcomed the two new Data Science reps this week, and we're checking in with all of our current members for a status update on their projects.
- E. Ad-hoc Subcommittee on Sanctions
 1. Will: Our first meeting of the semester will be this upcoming Friday at 3:00 PM. It will be high level on the sanctioning process. We are trying to close the sanctioning severity gap, possibly with student-designed sanctions. Penelope is joining the SWG.

V. REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

- A. Nile (over email): Honor Orientation sessions with incoming med and grad students recently. These students would appreciate medical student-focused slides. Also held a social popsicle event.
- B. Cassidy: The Law School had our orientation where Honor was presented on. We hosted an ice cream event where 20-30 law students showed up, and we are hosting an SO recruitment event soon.
- C. Hang: I presented at the new international student orientation, and Laura and I worked on a pamphlet for these students. Vivian and I met with the new Interim Assc Dean for Graduate Education to discuss having a lounge for grad students to do grading and mitigate stress students face around finals.
- D. Simran: I spoke at the third-year transfer student orientation for COMM. It was a great introduction to the system for these students.
- E. Ben: I spoke at an orientation for international graduate students coming into Batten. I was presenting with an administrator. We discussed sanctions, and I focused on the restorative elements of the system.
- F. Thomas: Sheryl, Alex, and I met with Dean West recently to discuss Honor's role in the engineering school.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. None.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discuss the role and capabilities of the Appeal Investigator
 1. Laura: Last meeting we passed a bylaw to establish the Appeal Investigator. Lauren French was selected and is joining us tonight.
 2. Lauren: Introduced herself (IC since first year, Senior IC last year), please pay close attention to my emails if you get any.
 3. Alex: All appeals will be staffed with an Investigator. Discusses the process for an appeal investigation. For scope on deliberations: the content of deliberations cannot be asked about, though the process of deliberations may be discussed.
 4. Cassidy: Is the goal for the appeal investigator to identify the reason for an appeal?
 5. Alex: The student files an appeal for a specific alleged reason.
 6. Cassidy: If another appealable issue is found, could an appeal also be made on those grounds?
 7. Alex: The appeal review panel can consider the entire investigation.
 8. Mary Holland: Can the appeal investigator be present at an appeal review panel?

9. Alex: No, but the panel can instruct the investigator to look into specific details of the case.
- B. Discuss a process for appointing representatives for vacancies
 1. Laura: Although we are a full committee, there are still situations where we may need to appoint a representative in a temporary capacity. The proposed by-law change involves consulting a particular school's council to temporarily appoint a representative.
 2. Carson: I'm not in favor of selecting a random student from a given school.
 3. Will: I tend to lean more towards Carson on this. I don't think it's feasible to communicate with school councils.
 4. Cassidy: I disagree. I think it's really important that you have a rep from the accused student's school, particularly in something like the law school.
 5. Will: Two random students from the school have to be on the panel, right?
 6. Cassidy: Yes, but they don't always show up.
 7. Hang: Would a solution be to prioritize someone from the support officer pool who is familiar with that school but is not involved in the case?
 8. Andrew: Could we appoint a UJC member who represents our school?
 9. Seamus: I like a lot of the ideas so far, the nice part with the by-law as it's laid out right now, we can work with the council of the school and bring them options like a UJC representative, SO, etc.
 10. Alex: One thing I want to make clear: the by-law only covers situations where the representative's seat is vacant. The constitution requires us to have a certain number from each school.
 11. Will: If we are working the school's council, it makes more sense to bring them on as a representative and train them. This process seems very similar to filling a permanent vacancy. It might pay off to invest in making them representatives at this point.
 12. Rachel: Neither of the Data Science reps will be gone in May, and there won't be a school council at that time.
 13. Seamus: I didn't know that, and there could be quirks from school to school. To Will's point: we have a full committee right now, but the point more broadly is that there isn't a mechanism for an example where both school reps know the accused student, etc.
 14. Will: I agree with the philosophy of this, but maybe in the spirit of filling more permanent vacancies.
 15. Mary Holland: It can take time to find someone, so it could be valuable to find a backup beforehand.
 16. Laura: Maybe for the temporary vacancies, we should work with the school councils and think about a more permanent solution for long-term vacancies.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. None.

The Committee entered closed session at 7:42 PM. The Honor Committee will meet next on Sunday, September 8 at 7:00 PM in Newcomb Hall, Room 480.