

HONOR COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – NOVEMBER 12th, 2023

I. ROLL CALL (20/29 present)

- A. Tyler Sesker - **Present**
- B. Hamza Aziz - **Present**
- C. Jonathan Swap - **Present (via Zoom)**
- D. Laura Howard - **Present**
- E. Nishita Ghanate - **Present**
- F. Rachel Liesegang - **Present**
- G. David Armstrong - Absent
- H. William Whitehurst Jr. - Absent
- I. Adrian Mamaril - **Present**
- J. Stephanie McKee - Absent
- K. Brianna Kamdoun - **Present**
- L. Carson Breus - **Present**
- M. Tim Dodson - **Present (via Zoom)**
- N. Maille Bowerman - **Present**
- O. Alexander Church - **Present**
- P. Kasra Lekan - **Present (via Zoom)**
- Q. Lukas Lehman - Absent
- R. Daniel Elliott - Absent
- S. MK O'Boyle - **Present**
- T. Brian Florenzo - Absent
- U. Lam-Phong Pham - **Present (via Zoom)**
- V. Emily Brobbey - Absent
- W. Sophie Campbell - Absent
- X. Skylar Tessler - Absent
- Y. Quana Dennis – **Present (via Zoom)**
- Z. Matthew Bonner - **Present (via Zoom)**
- AA. Brendan Puglisi - **Present**
- BB. Jennifer Bowyer - **Present (via Zoom)**
- CC. Karl Frisch – **Present (via Zoom)**

I. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. Bryan: This past week, his bike was stolen off-Grounds. The people on his floor in his dorm raised money to buy him a new bike.

II. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

- A. Hamza Aziz, Chair
 - 1. Faculty Senate Presentation upcoming this Friday, 11/17
 - 2. 12/3 Meeting – join at 5 p.m., too, for EOOCR Zoom.
 - 3. Pool today went great, updated SOs on recent Bylaw amendments, events, and on-going discussions.

4. Nov. 13 Day of Remembrance, Brianna Kamdoum shared a document with Committee that was made this time last year.
 - a) Brianna Kamdoum: Sent the Accommodations Assistance Guide for communicating with faculty members tomorrow. Students will feel a multitude of emotions, met with the Provost's Office a few weeks ago to communicate to faculty members about the Day of Remembrance. It is an email template and a record spreadsheet, to record what students are emailing Honor, and Committee representatives can communicate internally to accommodate these requests as quickly as possible. L2K is making ribbons for tomorrow in a room down the hallway, asks Committee reps to join.
 - b) Post made
- B. Laura Howard, Vice Chair for Hearings
 1. Hearing on Friday went well, thanks Committee members and randomly-selected students for serving as panelists. Working on a document with Carson Breus for the post-Hearing phase of the case process.
- C. Nishita Ghanate, Vice Chair for Investigations
 1. 3 active investigations.
- D. Carson Breus, Vice Chair for Sanctions
 1. We have a Panel for Sanctions meeting this Tuesday. Will be proposing a Bylaw change soon, to extend that the Panel for Sanction may meet within 7 days of a guilty verdict, instead of 72 hours.
- E. Rachel Liesegang, Vice Chair for the Undergraduate Community
 1. Alex Church is hosting an SO/Committee dinner this Thursday. Meeting this Thursday to talk about Popular Assembly.
- F. Tyler Sesker, Vice Chair for the Graduate Community
 1. Cosponsoring an event on November 16, approved a variety of other co-sponsorships. Reminds people that it takes at least two weeks for checks to be printed after a co-sponsorship request has been approved. Recommends submitting co-sponsorship proposals 4 weeks before the event.
- G. Lukas Lehman, Vice Chair for the Treasury
 1. None.

III. **SUBCOMMITTEE & WORKING GROUP REPORTS**

- A. Policies and Procedures Subcommittee
 1. Hamza Aziz: Working on a document for Committee to review next week. Some of these proposals could be voted on during our December 3 meeting. We will be meeting at 3 p.m. this Friday to review a draft of our report.
- B. Faculty Advisory Subcommittee
 1. Brianna Kamdoum: Met on Saturday to discuss plans for Honor Week, thinking of hosting a faculty dinner with the Provost's Office, want to introduce faculty to the benefits of multi-sanction, tagging on to the mock trial and introducing them to the Panel for Sanction. FAC support officers will email representatives soon about faculty events to be held within each school.
- C. Community Relations and Diversity Advisory Subcommittee

1. Tyler Sesker: None.

IV. REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

- A. Brendan Puglisi, DATA: Hosted an event, a “Friendsgiving” with a great turnout. Worked with Matthew Bonner to present about Honor, and asked people their thoughts on Honor.
- B. Jennifer Bowyer, SCPS: Successfully engaged a new mentor within SCPS, in addition to another mentor who joined this summer. Is currently looking for new members.
- C. Carson Breus, COMM: Honor is co-sponsoring an event with the Comm Council and the football team on the South Lawn tomorrow for the Day of Remembrance. All are welcome to attend.

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. International Student Days:
 1. Hamza Aziz: During this and recent terms, Honor has not been proactive in engaging with international students and outreach; we are planning International Student Days on November 27th and 28th. Have created a published [webpage](#) on the Honor website with information about International Student Days. There are four initiatives on Monday, November 27th, including a Grit tab with Global P2P, a snack and share with Honor at the Multicultural Student Center, a pizza event with the Lorna Sundberg International Center, and an IRC focus group. On Tuesday, November 28th, we are hosting a Bodos Bagels event, an academic integrity workshop, a student organizations roundtable dinner, and IRC cookie chats. We are leaning on representatives to attend the Student Organizations Roundtable, since we would like for them to be able to meet with student organizations, so we can be a part of the conversations from the get-go. Gives a shout-out to Will Hancock for helping plan International Student Days. Also reached out to Student Council about helping plan an event for international students who are remaining on Grounds over Thanksgiving Break. It would not necessarily be an informational event, but it would be a place for them to feel a sense of community and enjoy some food. Asks all representatives to share the flyer for these events.
 2. Will Hancock: Encourages people who are close with international student organizations to reach out to them directly.
 3. Adrian Mamaril: Asks ISO if they can reach out to their lists.
 4. Hamza Aziz: Yes.
 5. Brianna Kamdoun: Offers to send the flyers to VISAS.
 6. Hamza Aziz: Encourages representatives to share ideas about outreach.
- B. University-Wide Survey
 1. Hamza Aziz: Along with the email with the case summaries in December, we are sending out a survey about student perceptions of Honor, and acquiring data we can

discuss during Honor Week. We can do whatever incentive that we think will get people to fill out the survey. We will keep it open until the start of the spring survey, so we can get a lot of data. Will ensure that it can be sent out as a feedback survey.

2. Kasra Lekan: Had a similar idea previously this semester, wanted to get data on perceptions of Honor, that we can ask over several years to see how perceptions change over time. It is very important to get clear information on who is responding, whether it is students, faculty, or TAs.
3. Hamza Aziz: Asks if it should be one survey for everyone, or split by audience.
4. Kasra Lekan: Original vision was to do one survey, but they could get unique surveys with certain questions for each group.
5. Laura Howard: People have been talking about use of AI quite frequently, so we can try gauging how students are using it, how professors are talking about it, etc.
6. Carson Breus: Also, would like to hear, from the student perspective, how clear professors have been about their AI policies.
7. Rachel Liesegang: We can also ask about if students generally feel that they are communicating their Honor policies well, outside of AI.
8. Alexander Church: We should specifically look at willingness to file a report and engage with students, from the faculty perspective. We need continuous engagement with Honor from faculty going forward.
9. Adrian Mamaril: Hopes that the survey does not become too bloated, concerned about turnout. We should also ask questions on the process, how faculty members perceive how the process is going, especially with multi-sanction. We should also do mini focus groups with the faculty, in addition to the survey.
10. Kasra Lekan: My vision is that people will have varying degrees of topics they care about and the extent they are willing to write. Whoever designs the survey should say that there are some questions that everyone must answer, and then there are sub-topics that respondents can select to answer, that open up new lines of questioning from them.
11. Hamza Aziz: That's a super cool idea.
12. Rachel Liesegang: Having more optional stuff, minimizing the amount of short answer questions, and gathering some quantitative data would be good. It would be good if we can say a percentage of respondents feel a certain way about something.
13. Jonathan Swap: Suggests ranking topics, letting people rank which topics they are answering.
14. Hamza Aziz: Asks for volunteers who would like to the survey. Kasra Lekan, Alexander Church, and Adrian Mamaril volunteer. Asks Nishita Ghanate to send them the surveys that already exist.
15. Adrian Mamaril: Asks if they will submit it to Committee in advance.
16. Hamza Aziz: Asks if they can provide an update in two weeks.
17. Adrian Mamaril: Yes.

C. Carson Breus' Bylaw Proposal

1. To provide a 7-day timeframe between a Guilty verdict and the Panel for Sanction, to give everyone to the appropriate amount of time to prepare, instead of 72 hours.
2. Adrian Mamaril: What was the earlier change we made?
3. Carson Breus: We extended the IR Panel for Sanction timeline to be 21 days.

4. Adrian Mamaril: Do you think that 7 days is enough time?
 5. Carson Breus: Yes, it is a good start, and we can see how it goes.
 6. Carson Breus proposes this change. It is seconded. The Bylaw passes unanimously.
- D. Next Meeting on November 19.

VII. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- A. None.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m. The Honor Committee will meet in person in Newcomb Hall on Sunday, November 19th, at 7:00 p.m.