

Thursday, April 9, 2020 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm via Zoom

Members in Attendance: James Aganon (co-chair), Susan Mahoney (co-chair), Gloria Darafshi (articulation officer), Soraya Sohrabi (transfer center director), Sarah Harmon (faculty), David Meckler (faculty), Jeanette Medina (faculty), Michael Stanford (faculty), Rebekah Taveau (faculty), Jana Gaskin (PTK Student Liaison)

Members Absent: Tammy Robinson (VPI), Denise Erickson (faculty), Lisa Palmer (faculty), Paul Roscelli (faculty)

Guest(s): Patty Hall (faculty, Education and Human Development), Althea Kippes (faculty, Business & Paralegal)

- 1. Welcome (2:00 pm)
- 2. Approval of Agenda unanimously approved.
- 3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes unanimously approved.

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- A. <u>HTP Committee Membership</u>: Jana Gaskin was unanimously approved as the new PTK Student Liaison member of our committee.
- B. <u>HTP Update</u>: Topics are listed below, and see the attached "HTP Update" document for details of Susan's presentation. Additionally, related to upcoming conferences, Patty noted that PTK students successfully petitioned to change the rules for student travel to restricted states...allowing students to petition to attend. Jana Gaskin's poster proposal to NCHC 2021 (Texas) was accepted. (Congratulations!) Susan, Patty, Paul, and Jana will look into what it will take to allow her to attend with an HTP faculty member.
 - 1) HTP Membership #s
 - 2) HTP Priority Registration List and Spring 2020 Completion List
 - 3) UCLA and UC-Irvine Priority Transfer Certifications
 - 4) Honors Contracts
 - 5) Spring 2020 (and beyond) Conferences and Events.

C. Other Updates: (PTK, BHC)

- 1) PTK: Jana updated the committee on PTK activities. Students are preparing for virtual attendance at the national conference. The group is considering holding virtual meetings for the remainder of the semester. This year's college project focusses on international students access to state-funded universities, as well as the value gained. Students have met with President Moore to conceptualize the project and are currently figuring out how to proceed.
- 2) BHC: Sarah deferred to the later agenda item (4E)

D. Fall 2020 Schedule and Honors-Only ENGL 100

- 1) Susan summarized the Fall 2020 Honors schedule. There are 19 Honors Courses (21 sections). SPAN 162 (IGETC Area 6) is back on the schedule, so now all IGETC GE Areas are represented. All required CSU GE Areas are represented, except Area E and (not required) D-US3. There are plans to have Area E represented by Fall 2021.
- 2) 3 Honors-only sections are on the schedule. The remainder of the classes are dual-CRN. The Honors-only sections are CRER 110, ENGL 100, and MATH 200. Honors Contracts courses are not listed on the schedule, but a student can propose a contract in any transferable course.
- 3) The ENGL 100 section will revert to a dual-CRN section if enrollment does not meet the dean's goal by June or so. We are behind on marketing ENGL 100 due to COVID-19. The course is primarily for first-semester students, so recruitment is more challenging. Please do everything you can to promote Honors-only ENGL 100!
 - i. Susan will reach out to all Counselors, Promise program, and Middle College next week.
 - ii. Jeanette suggested more collaboration with Mayra (Outreach Dept), specifically to target high schools' (Sequoia and others) Spanish-language populations... as many of these families may not be considering the UC/CSU system because they perceive it as cost-prohibitive. Susan has met with Mayra recently, but will follow up again soon. Additionally, she noted that we now have an Honors student working as a Outreach Ambassador.
 - iii. Rebekah noted ESL 400 students are another prime target group. Susan will email all the ESL 400 instructors early next week with information to pass along to their students.
 - iv. James noted that "Connect to College" will be conducted virtually near the end of April. Susan will try to get a slide or two into a relevant presentation.
- 4) Increasing our HTP enrollment and packing our Honors-only ENGL 100 class are two steps toward hopefully being able to eventually offer a rotating Honors-only Social Science course each spring.
- 5) A PDF of the 8.5 x 11 poster will be emailed to all counselors, the HTP Advisory Committee, HTP students, and (perhaps) all faculty. We may print the schedule for Outreach to use. Also, let Susan know if you would like a printed 8.5x11 or 11x17 poster.

E. Cañada HTP Research Showcase and the BHC Honors Research Symposium

- 1) Sarah reported on the **Spring 2020 BHC Honors Research Symposium**, scheduled for Sat, May 2nd 2020 at UC Berkeley.
 - a. There were 208 submissions, of which 94 were accepted. This is the first year they collected demographic information, and the diversity of applicants was impressive.
 - b. The event has been cancelled. However, the BHC tentatively plans to publish a booklet of the 2020 accepted abstracts. Additionally, there will likely be a "super-conference" next spring, where all the accepted 2020 applicants will be invited to present in addition to the new 2021 accepted applicants. Finally, the online journal, Think You is available for all of the accepted applicants to publish their work. Students can submit papers or video-presentations. The BHC meets this Friday to finalize plans. Students have been notified of the cancellation by BHC, and Susan will pass along updated information, as soon as it is available.
 - c. Susan thanked and commended Sarah on the proposal workshop she led in Feb for Cañada students and faculty. This workshop helped students and faculty better understand what it takes to write a successful proposal.
 - d. This year, **Cañada had 6 proposals (involving 8 students) accepted!** In recent years we have had 2 or 3 accepted, so this is awesome!
- 2) Susan reported on the Spring 2020 HTP Honors Research Showcase: Thursday April 23, 2020

- a. Any student who has done research associated with an Honors course/contract can apply. Students who are accepted into the BHC Symposium are required to present at our Showcase.
- b. **Sadly, we cancelled the event**. It did not seem feasible to figure out a virtual event in the short time-frame. (An alternative was mentioned later in the meeting. See item 4H below.)
- F. Response to UCLA Site Visit Report: The deadline for our response to the UCLA Site Visit Report has been postponed to May 29. Susan will draft a response and circulate it to the committee on May 6. Committee members should plan to give comments by May 13. Susan will update the draft as needed and secure a letter from President Moore. CSM was scheduled for a site review this semester. It has been postponed until the next academic year.

G. Fall 2020 Plans and 2020/2021 HTP Advisory Committee meetings

- 1) Fall Honors Kickoff week #2 of fall semester
- 2) How many Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 meetings should we plan? The consensus was, as we are growing, we need two meetings each semester... Sept, Nov, Feb, and April. Susan will send out a doodle to figure out (at least) the fall meetings, so that committee members can plan ahead. We will try to avoid other major institutional meetings. Also, it was noted that the 3 counselors on the committee will be very busy in Sept and Nov.
- 3) Routine gatherings for Honors faculty? Consensus was yes. One popular suggestion was to piggy back on our existing meetings... perhaps 30-40 minutes prior. We will invite current Honors faculty and other interested faculty to discuss pedagogy, best-practices, etc... We will likely have some time for chatting/snacks and then a short activity or presentation.

H. Other Announcements: James opened up the floor for other announcements, ideas, or concerns

- 1) Postpone 2020 Honors Research Showcase until Fall. Jeanette noted that the opportunity for students to present their work is fundamental to the Honors experience. She suggested we provide some sort of opportunity in the Fall 2020 semester for students who were accepted in the BHC and other students who would have presented this spring. Jana agreed that the opportunity to present Honors work is one factor that initially got her interested in the HTP. She also suggested that seeing seasoned Honors students present in the fall might engage our new group of Honors students. Susan will work to make this happen, either in conjunction with the Fall Honors Kickoff... or a bit later in the semester.
- 2) HTP Student Ambassadors/Mentors. Michael mentioned that our program should consider having one or more student ambassadors/mentors that can be available to Honors students to provide information on the program, answer questions about how Honors Contracts work, guide students toward writing assistance and other resources, etc... Jana noted that a student mentor may seem more approachable than faculty for some students. Susan will look into this by getting more familiar with what other programs do (e.g. BTO) and by figuring out the costs.
- 3) Fall Online? Several faculty discussed the possible implications of Fall 2021 classes starting out online. Summer classes have moved online, and it was not clear when the decision would be made for fall. Possible implications for international students, Honors students, and Honors faculty were discussed. It was noted that the COVID-19 situation has ramped up everyone's ability to teach/work in an online environment.

I. Adjournment



HTP Advisory Committee Meeting (4/9/20) Agenda Item #4B: "HTP Update"

1. HTP Membership

- o Past membership data: Spring 2018: 53 Spring 2019: 78 (goal was 80)
- o Spring 2020: goal 100 (would be highest from existing records)... currently 99....likely to surpass goal.
- o Student applications are only trickling in, as recruitment has virtually stopped. (See next bullet point.)
- Recruitment efforts were put on hold. The late Feb PTK and PRIE-data based recruitment emails did not go out. The March Middle College, Promise, EOPS, CWA, and STEM Center outreach did not occur. Our new ¼ sheet marketing piece for the Outreach Department has also not been developed.
- Recruitment and reaching a diverse population continues to be a top priority... and will resume in April.
- o A larger HTP will increase our ability to offer Honors-only sections.

2. HTP Priority Registration and Spring 2020 Completion

- We had approximately 50 students on our Summer20/Fall 20 priority registration list. This represents current members who will likely be returning in the fall.
- o 16 HTP members will complete the HTP in Spring 2020. 2019 (15), 2018 (9), 2017 (23)
- The annual Students' Achievement Recognition Award Reception is likely canceled due to COVID-19.
 Meeting next week to determine how to honor students.

3. UCLA and UC-Irvine Certifications

- o For Fall 2020, 14 HTP students applied for UCLA TAP priority admission and 8 applied for UC-Irvine Honors priority admission. This is a slight increase over last year.
- o It is very important that students interested in UCLA or UC-I engage with James EARLY in their time here at Cañada AND during the transfer application process... to avoid common application errors.

4. Honors Contracts:

- o Sp 20: 24 proposals (a bit lower than usual)
- Expect slightly lower than usual completion. Have given students/faculty the option of delaying the completion date through summer and/or fall.

5. Spring 2020 (and beyond) Conferences and Events

- HTCC Teaching in Honors Mini Conference: January 21, 2020 at Orange Coast College
- o BHC Spring 2020 meetings: Feb 7, March 20, April 10 11:00-2:00 at CSM
- o Western Region Honors Conference: March 27-29 at Southern Utah University Cancelled
- UCI Community College Honors Research Conference: April 4 at UC-Irvine Cancelled
- Canada College HTP Honors Showcase: Thursday, April 23, 2020 Cancelled
- BHC Honors Symposium at Berkeley: Saturday, May 2, 2020 Cancelled
- Student Achievement Recognition Awards Reception: May 8, 2020 Cancelled?
- o Canada College HTP Fall Kickoff Date TBD ... likely week #2 of classes.
- Next Fall.... NCHC Annual Conference November 4-8 in Dallas, Texas (Canada student poster presentation accepted)
- Next Spring.... WRHC ... March 26-28, 2020 at Washington State University (Pullman, WA)