



**ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE
HONORS COMMITTEE MEETING
November 23, 2009
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Room A141**

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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
 - b. 11/24/08
 - c. 2/23/09
 - d. 4/27/09
 - e. 10/26/09
5. **PRESENTATION** – None
6. **REPORTS**
 - a. Alpha Iota (Stephanie Conley)
 - b. Honors Social Science courses in Fall 2010 (Dr. Tom O’Neil)
 - c. TAP Council Meeting (Susan Knapp)
7. **ACTION ITEMS** – None
8. **DISCUSSION**
 - a. Update on Honors Options (Karen Lubick)
9. **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS - None**
10. **OTHER**
11. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Members Present	Members Absent	Guests in Attendance
Karen Lubick	Kathy Moore	Dr. Matthew Jaffe
Dr. Tom O'Neil		
Judy Sullivan		
Rae Agahari		
Susan Knapp		
Stacy Adams		
Rosa Fuller		
Stephanie Conley		

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Ms. Lubick called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

2. OPENING COMMENTS FROM THE HONORS COMMITTEE CHAIR – None

3. OPEN COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – a motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the 9/22/08 meeting, the 11/24/08 meeting, the 2/23/09 meeting, the 4/27/09 meeting and the 10/26/09 meeting. With no further discussion, motion carried.

5. PRESENTATION – None

6. REPORTS

a. Alpha Iota Report (Stephanie Conley) – the group had their Halloween Party in the AVC Cafeteria and a great time was had by all. They made a profit on the sale of the tickets to attend as well as the candy sale (they ran out and had to get more). Some of the members went to a farm to learn how to take care of animals and had a good time. The Christmas party will be on December 11 in SSV 150 and will be open to friends and family of the honors group plus favorite faculty members and classifieds. Ms. Lubick made the suggestion that at future events like the Spring Dance, they invite all faculty who teach an honors course. Stephanie also mentioned that a motion will be made concerning if a member volunteers for a project or event and does not make it nor lets someone know, they will be penalized points.

b. Honors Social Science Courses in Fall 2010 (Dr. O'Neil) – Dr. O'Neil stated that the deans are still working on putting together the fall 2010 schedule. At this point, however, Dr. Jaffe will be teaching Honors History 104. We also have two other faculty who wish to be involved in teaching an honors course. They are Ron Chapman and Cynthia Lehman. Mr. Chapman has already instituted an honors option course but this will be his first time teaching an honors section. Ms. Lehman has regularly taught History 111H, but she will need to put together a new proposal for History 110H, so we will postpone that course until a future semester. The committee asks a faculty member to teach their course two times which allows them the opportunity to make changes. We also have notice that Dr. Coffman will be teaching a geology honors course. Ms. Lubick will make the necessary changes to the fall schedule and send them on to Susan and Rosa. It will then be coordinated with Laura Snow to see that the honors schedule matches what the divisions send in.

As far as the spring 2010 schedule, we have 16 signed up for Honors Biology, English 102 is filled, Shakespeare has 12, Math 130 has 5, Music 101 is filled and Political Science has 14. Ms. Lubick has concerns about Math 130 having enough students to make it worthwhile to remain on the schedule. She has sent out an e-mail to all honors students requesting that they consider enrolling in this class. If the count does not come up, it will probably have to be cancelled.

b. TAP Council Meeting (Susan Knapp) – Ms. Knapp went with 14 honors students to UCLA for the TAP meeting. UCLA presented a great program and tour for the students. Ms. Knapp provided to the members her notes from the meeting. The major points were:

- No scheduled cut in transfer enrollment for fall 2010 but will cut freshman enrollment by approximately 300.
- Impacted majors: comm. studies, bus econ, life sciences, poli sci, psych, global studies, English, sociology, history, bio-chem
- Alternate major should be listed on original application. Do not list an impacted major.
- There are now special services being provided for veterans.
- It is highly recommended that you complete your prep courses at the end of fall before transfer. Also need a strong GPA and have IGETC complete.
- Prepare a well-written personal statement.
- UCLA does not use “regions”. UCLA is interested in under-represented populations.
- If any changes on application, send an e-mail to appropriate address for correction.
- Student must come in with 60 units with 70 preferable. This will cut off a quarter towards completion of BA degree.
- Bottom line – major prep, the stronger GPA the better, and have IGETC completed.

7. ACTION ITEMS – None

8. DISCUSSION

a. Update on Honors Options (Karen Lubick) – Ms. Lubick has forwarded by e-mail to all instructors the honors forms that are required. It would be great if these forms were on the website. If anyone should have any honors options, please let her know. Rosa

asked the question of how long does it take for an honors application to be approved. Ms. Lubick replied that normally it would take 2-4 weeks, but there have been times where the turn around time was much shorter depending on circumstances. Once Ms. Lubick has approved an application, she will notify Kelly. Susan questioned the issue of presentations to high school students. She encourages all to apply and to write an essay to show their interest. Ms. Lubick was queried about where do most of the apps come from. She relayed Quartz Hill and Paraclete. She would consider one without a SAT score if GPA and essay are considered adequate. Also, a letter of recommendation would be very helpful. Members asked what would be ways to inform people of the honors program. We could create a better website as well as have counselors pass flyers to all students instead of just selecting the ones they think would qualify or have the desire to be in honors courses.

9. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS – none

10. OTHER - none

11. ADJOURNMENT – the meeting was adjourned at 2:32 p.m.

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