Honors Advisory Board Minutes  
Friday, April 18th, 2014  
Wellington Library

Meeting began at 10:02am

- Honors President Juan Escalante, Honors Historian Brian Green, and Honors College Liaison Steve Brahlek co-led the meeting and were in attendance along with fellow Honors Students at the Wellington Library.

Old Business:

- Juan Escalante spoke to the honors students present at the meeting about the ambassador program that was in place last year. He spoke about its benefits and how the honors college could benefit from its use for the following school year.

- Juan spoke about the Spring Graduation of 2014. Most of the students present were not graduating in the Spring so Juan chose to explain to them about the Honors Celebration that takes place every Spring semester.

- Juan asked Brian and Alsides about how the April Honors Movie Night went. The two agreed that the movie was the most touching by far. They recounted how several honors students were emotional throughout the movie.

New Business:

- Brian Green spoke about developing an Honors Scrapbook for the 2013-2014 school year. He asked the students if they have seen the scrapbook located in the Honors Office so that they could better understand what he had in mind. He asked the honors students that if any of them had any pictures they wanted to submit for the honors scrapbook, that they please send the pictures to Juan Escalante’s email. Brian also gave the requirement that they must be honors college related events only.

- Honors College Liaison Steve Brahlek spoke about the upcoming annual Virginia Trip occurring the summer of 2014. He spoke about what the event entails. He went in detail about the different plays, location, and activities they should expect should they choose to go on the trip. He recounted the Virginia trip from last year to give the students a better understanding as to what they should expect from this year’s trip.
Juan Escalante asked the students if they ever had any questions about the honors college and if they had any issues acquiring the proper information. Several students raised their hands. Minji for example recounted a moment in which she had a question about an upcoming event happening in the Garden’s campus but she had no way of getting the necessary information. Juan then went on to explain to the students that there are numerous ways to get information about the honors college. He said that the students have the following ways to receive information: contact the office, email the honors college, visit the office, contact the liaisons.

Juan then asked if any students had issues with acquiring honors classes for their honors graduation requirement. Most of the students present raised their hands. Juan talked about the different ways of earning honors classes. He spoke about taking honors courses, honorizing classes and attending the math and science institute.

Elections – Juan and Brian spoke about having elections beginning the fall of 2014. The two of them described their roles and the other two officer roles and went into detail as to what officer positions entail.

Recap – Juan and Brian recounted their experiences as officers. Juan recounted the honors college triumphs and changes. Some of the items discussed were the new honors movie nights, the new honors college shirt, and Brian Ekasala becoming one of the representatives for FCHC 2015.

Future of Honors – Brian Green spoke about what was not able to be accomplished in the 2013-2014 academic school year. He did however mention how unfinished work will be handed down to the following executive board for the honors college.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10am