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HONORS PROGRAM COMMITTEE MINUTES

April 9, 1991

Vice-Chairperson Tracy Sturgill call the meeting to order at 3:17 p.m. in the Honors House Conference Room.

Members Present

Jacklynn Darling
Lawrence Griesinger
Jack Henson
James Mann
Tracy Sturgill
Marvin Turner

Members Absent

Mac Luckey Jennifer Lynn Mays Mike Mincey

Regrets were received from Mac Luckey, Jennifer Lynn Mays, and Mike Mincey.

The minutes of the March meeting were presented.

Jack Henson made a motion to approve the minutes with the following corrections on page two (2).

Tracy Sturgill made a motion to honor former President Albright by naming the Honors House the Albright Honors House. Marvin Turner seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Old Business

House-Naming Letter. A memorandum to Dr. Judy Rogers was presented to the committee for its approval requesting the Honors House and/or the Honors Program be named in honor of Dr. A. D. Albright, and requesting additional funds to renovate the right side of the Honors House. (Approximately \$4000.00 has been allocated for renovation of the left side of the House). The committee discussed the future of the Honors House location, since it is in the long-term plan to be demolished, and the availability of fund for further renovation until after July 1, 1991.

Larry Griesinger moved to table any decisions concerning Program naming and requesting additional funds for renovation. Jack Henson seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Honors Student Association. Tracy Sturgill and Marvin Turner gave a report on the formation of an Honors Student Association. Students have met to elect officers and write a constitution. Officers are listed below:

Stephanie Baldwin - President
Cassandra Castle - Vice President
Kimberly Newberry - Secretary
Elizabeth "Beth" Opell - Treasurer
Derek Mudd - Public Relations

Samantha Dunaway - Parliamentarian

Marvin Turner - Historian

The Student Association will be meeting again Wednesday, April 10, to complete work on the constitution.

NEW BUSINESS

Honors Convocation Speaker. One of the Honors students speaks at the Honors Convocation each year, and Chairman Luckey has recommended Darrell Sandfoss.

Jack Henson made a motion to accept Chairman Luckey's recommendation. Jacklynn Darling seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. If Darrell Sandfoss is not available, Chair Luckey may choose from the next highest GPA students.

<u>Honors Program Scholarships</u>. Twelve (12) incoming freshmen have applied for Academic Honors Program scholarships. After examining the applications, the Committee decided that members should review each application individually before the next meeting.

Jacklynn Darling made a motion to go by the March 25 deadline which is printed on the application and award all 10 scholarship. Jack Henson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Special Honors Program Committee Meeting. A special meeting was scheduled for Monday, April 22, 1991, at 3:15 in the Honors House Conference room to make the final decision on scholarship recipients and for a report on the Honors Student Association constitution.

Requirements for Non-traditional Students. Donna Cummins, a non-traditional student, wants to join the Honors Program. Ms. Cummins has returned to school after fourteen (14) years to get a degree. Her total GPA is below the required for admission to the program, but her current GPA is above the required. After discussion, it was the opinion of the committee that non-traditional students (second semester freshmen or sophomores) should be admitted to the program under the same guidelines as traditional students.

Open Honors House During Exam Week. The Honors students have requested the Honors House be open during exam week. Chairman Luckey has discussed this with Dr. Judy Rogers with the recommendation being made to ask the Library to leave the Honors Reading Room open all night. Larry Griesinger asked which the students would prefer. The students on the committee recommended opening the Honors House.

Jack Henson made a motion to let the students use the Honors House during final exam week with a responsible person (honor student) in charge each night. Larry Griesinger seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Chairman Luckey is to contact Mike Mincey and campus security for approval on this recommendation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Honors Convocation Committee. The Academic Honors Convocation Committee met on Monday, March 27, 1991, at 8:00 a.m. Plan were made for the 4.00 GPA student letters, Convocation programs, reception, etc.

Honors Convocation. The Academic Honors Convocation will be held Sunday, May 5, 1991, at 2 p.m. in Button Auditorium. The reception will be held on the lawn in front of Fields Hall. In case of rain it will be moved into the basement of Fields Hall.

Honors Student Association Officers Meeting. The Honors Student Association will hold another meeting on Wednesday, April 10, 1991, at 9 p.m. in the Honors House to finish work on the Associations Constitution.

Without further business Jack Henson made a motion to adjourn. Larry Griesinger seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 4:18.

Next scheduled meeting: April 22, 1991 at 3:15 p.m. at the Honors House.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawrence Griesinger, Secretary