University Honors Council Minutes 18 November 2013

Present: Mary Ann Gosser (Chair); Ken Dawson-Scully; Charles Dukes; Kimberly Dunn; Michael Harrawood, Mirya Holman; William Kalies; Emmanouil Vermisso; Ali Zilouchian

Ex-officio: Ed Pratt, Donna Chamely-Wiik

Meeting was called to order at 1 pm.

- 1) Minutes were approved with corrections.
- 2) Honors in the Major Program proposal evaluation template was approved with addition.
- 3) Honors Proposal Course Worksheet Template was discussed and a change to the wording under Criteria #3 was proposed to read: "Student offered extensive access to original research and other primary sources of knowledge."
- 4) Donna Chamely-Wiik presented a thorough report on FAU's existing scholarships and those specific to Honors. Questions and suggestions arose:
 - a. Several questions arose: scholarships granted at the time of admission, how are they allocated and by whom?
 - b. Certain programs have endowed foundation accounts.
 - c. Meet with Foundation to develop materials specifically for Honors Programs
 - i. E.g., sponsor the Research conference
 - ii. Name scholarships (Model UN)
 - iii. Ask for their help to approach Colleges' Advisory Boards
- 5) Recommendation: have QEP and UHC meet with President Crudele, Provost Perry to find possible funds to be earmarked for Honors Research for Honors Students to benefit.
- 6) Suggestion was made to find what scholarships are available at the College, Presidential, Community Engagement, Financial Aid, and Foundation that are Honors Specific and what criteria is employed to distribute them.
- 7) Several suggestions were offered for the Annual Report for Honors in the Majors Program the UHC would like to receive.
- 8) UHC members would like to meet with the University's Registrar, Dr. Kutchner, during the spring semester.
- 9) Meeting adjourned at 2 pm.