**Honors Council Faculty Meeting**

**Nov. 17, 2022**

**3:30-5:00pm**

Agenda

1. Academic Program (strategy, outcomes, curriculum, new initiatives)
   1. FYS model- what is a honors first year experience?
   2. Trying to create a experiential coherence experience
   3. First year seminar focus on finishing the seminar or other courses- 8 week FYS, 8 week second half semester courses. What is the best information to keep to teach in a 8 week course, not trying to fit 16 weeks into 8 weeks.
   4. Honors NISS Plan& recommendation- monitor retention points for the students
      1. Looking at first and second year resistance
2. Campus Community (including campus committee updates)
3. Recruitment
   1. Honors admissions- 150 honors applications, 35-40 Koch scholarship applications
   2. Admissions- Honors Pillars questions, students do self assessment
   3. Mcgregor- about 150 apps
   4. Last year 200 apps, 150 accepted/enrolled.
   5. Fall 2020 had lower acceptance rate than last year. Anticipating high acceptance rate this year
   6. Look at non-accepted students and Hispanic/African-american students who didn’t apply but had qualifications to join
   7. Rogue social media campaign- 7 african american students applied. Explore social media as an on going thing
4. Student Success (advising, student programs, student council update)
   1. Advising 1:1 with faculty fellows
5. As May Arise
   1. Final meeting hanfgout

Materials Provided

* Agenda
* Cohen Honors Pillars and Outcomes- Pilot
* Pyramid Chart
* Dorothy and Bill Cohen Honors College- NISS Plan and Recommendation—DRAFT

What are the signature experience in Honors?

1. NCHC conference update
   1. Holistic admissions presentation- went really well had connections with other people
   2. Next year its Chicago- difficult to get students there
   3. Wichita Falls- better probability in getting students there
   4. What can we do next year to keep momentum going?
   5. Doug- Spring 2022- lower gpa and admit students into the program who had not completed 10-18 hours. Started in Honors, results was they did just as well as other students with good GPA’s and SAT scores. Next year see retention rates.
   6. Chelsea-Belongingness scale- goal to meet people and connect.
   7. Kevin-Portfolios and Place as text experience
2. Honors Concept– Next Phase – Activity (groups and Zoom breakout room)
   1. What are the signature experiences that define Honors?
      1. Honors Pillars
3. Discussion
   1. What is the honors curriculum nd what are the students getting out of that curriculum?
   2. How are we going to move forward with this curriculum?