Meeting Minutes from 3/1/15

**Members Present:** Chris Hadad ‘17 (co-chair), Michelle Parris ‘16 (co-chair), Kyle Albagli ‘16 (co-secretary), Erin Lipman ‘17 (co-secretary), Brian Guggenheimer ‘16 (librarian), Melissa Lee-Litowitz ‘15, Sarah Brody ‘15, Brianna Lowey ‘15, Olivia Raus ‘15, Irene Evans ‘16, Adela Scharff ‘16, James Fawville ‘17, Monica Zorrilla ‘17, Madison Arnold-Scerbo ‘18, Santiago Laverde ‘18, Alex Bitterman ‘18, Sophie McGlynn ‘18

Moment of Silence

1. Committee Updates
   a. Multiculturalism Committee
      i. Did not meet this week; will meet early next week to talk about goals with TIDE and the OMA (particularly about facilitated confrontation)
   b. Community Education and Outreach Committee
      i. Had abstract discussion and community forum
      ii. Forum (about confrontation) well attended; people offered feedback on facilitated confrontation
      iii. Made survey, but another similar survey was released by another organization (same format, not contents), so going to wait on that
      iv. went through Code ratification comments; picked out most interesting ones to post in DC (full list sent out as email and posted on website tonight)
         1. Discussion of skewed perception that could come from highlighting the “no” comments disproportionately, but those are the more substantial ones
      v. Upcoming forums: (possible) Multicultural juror Requirement, Bi-Co discussion, Women’s Center collaboration.
         1. Concern that HoCo might not be the appropriate body to hold discussion on sexual assault and related issues
         2. Section of the constitution specifies that HoCo should be involved with educating the community about social concerns; council as consciousness raising body
      vi. Also going to work on website updates after Spring Break, including making videos concerning Council
      vii. Discussion about “honor code/council guide” that was started by Co-Sec of Spring 2014 which would have sections

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on different issues, some written by confronted parties as trial resolutions. Opinions that we should focus more on making this materialize.

c. Faculty Outreach Committee
   i. Working on faculty outreach survey; council discusses draft. This survey attempts to address underreporting and faculty education on the code

d. Student life Committee
   i. Planning on following through with idea of educating coaches on the Honor Code; emailed athletic director (waiting for response)
   ii. Idea that council could have some “non-council” members who would do outreach; based off suggestions from clearness committee survey.
      1. Would involve more people
      2. Would lessen members’ workload
      3. Might be able to be more productive if they didn’t also have regular council duties
      4. Disadvantages: Might distance council from the community
      5. Brian: This idea has been considered before. Group called “Friends of Council” tried to form some years ago to do outreach responsibilities. One problem is that this kind of thing might feel like less of a responsibility if you aren’t discussing these things every week on council.
      6. Some council members don’t see the pressing need for this or that the benefits would be marginal
      7. Sidenote: Discussion of publicity of abstract discussions. Currently we can only give three days notice since we consent to release abstracts on Sunday; worries that waiting until the next week would lose momentum

e. Freshman and Applicant Outreach Committee
   i. Have survey about the views of the code in relation to applications
   ii. Met with heads of HCOC to start communication with them; thinking of meeting with HCOC members planning specific trainings

2. Guidelines
   a. What are guidelines?: Discussion of existing guidelines
   b. New guidelines: What to do when a party is unresponsive
      i. Discussion of specific points; general agreement on sentiment
      ii. Course of Action: finalize wording

3. Role of the Librarian

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a. Discussion of librarian’s role (Council consented to revisit this at the 3rd meeting after the retreat)
b. General sentiment that Brian has been acting in the spirit of the guidelines and that it's working!
c. Course of action: keep guidelines the same

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