**HONOR COMMITTEE MEETING**
**OCTOBER 25, 2015**

I. **ROLL CALL**
Absences: There are 5 total absences.

II. **COMMUNITY CONCERNS**
None.

III. **OFFICER REPORTS**

A. VJ Jenkins—Vice Chair for Community Relations, CLAS
   We did a co-sponsorship with Middle Eastern Leadership Group. VJ will be sending the stories for enslaved laborers emails; it’s an email list serve we can subscribe to. “Honorable Mention” and what definition of what Honor means to us is an upcoming initiative stay tuned. Diversity Award Initiative- we will be receiving the packet of essays later this week.

B. Caroline Herre—Vice Chair for Education, ARCH
   Honor for Student Athletes went to Mellow Mushroom with Support Officers this evening and had a great time, 17 total athletes. A debate between two of the debating societies regarding the single sanction is in the works. Continue sending school events.

C. Avery Rasmussen—Vice Chair for Investigations, COMM
   Two I-Panels are coming up in the next week. Two cases recently were sent to Hearing from I-Panel and one was dropped by the Executive Committee. Grace Muth (CLAS) gave an update on timeliness from Policy and Procedure: Goal is to not compromise the student’s ability to have the last word in the process. They are continuing to come up with ideas. Avery says P&P is doing a great job coming up with ideas for promoting timeliness. Specifically, interviews have been taking a lot of time as well as initially getting the ball rolling with reporters and getting to I-Panel. There is a section on the old case status form that specifically asks for times the reporter is available when taking a report. Ask that question and pass along the information to Avery. This is key for drastically decreasing the delay, which is often several weeks between getting the initial report and interviewing the reporter.

D. Russell Bogue —Vice Chair for Hearings, CLAS
   Sunday, November 8, there is a Hearing where Grace Muth (CLAS) will be the Hearing Chair and Matthew Comey (BATT) will be the official observer. It will be a mixed panel consisting of Committee members and random student body.

E. Faith Lyons —Chair, COMM
   Tonight we are piloting having less paper by trying to print less copies. We will have copies for our visitors but will have an electronic version streaming for all attendees. Respond for availability for the mid-term retreat if you haven’t already. As you do school events, keep track of what you’ve done as we can add this information to our Annual Report for next term.
IV. REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS
A. Katherine Graham (ARCH): Internship with Historic Preservation team. Conversation about the Academical Village and Honor’s presence with Lawn chairs positively received.
B. Emily Snow (CLAS): Attended College Council last week and received positive feedback for roundtable events and Popular Assembly.
C. Maggie Rossberg (NURS): Nursing is planning an event with Take-It-Away for Multi-Sanction.

V. SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATES
A. Faculty Advisory Committee: New faculty aren’t coming and given that there will be a large number of Honor supporters retiring soon we need to actively recruit interest among our new faculty.

VI. OLD BUSINESS
A. Popular Assembly: The Popular Assembly will take place Monday 10/26/2015 from 6-8 PM in the Newcomb Ballroom. There are a number of graduate students that will be attending. Continue to advertise to respective schools. ~200 people have RSVPed so far. Discussion of general talking points: Students wanted to see our research and be an active participant in the conversation. They want to see a really well laid out one page summary that is succinct so that they can see how these various options align with our values. Questions include: What do you value in an Honor system? Why is that important to you? What is the purpose of our Honor System and the concept of Honor at UVA? How do the sanctions reflect that greater purpose? Moderators have gone through moderator training to make sure they are confident in their ability to encourage conversation. Other topics include: responsibility students have in upholding the system, increasing the requirement for participation on constitutional amendments, and what the expectation from Committee is moving forward. Two students who put forth the referenda were invited to speak. Caroline Herre (ARCH, VCE) will also be speaking to give an overview of Honor so everyone is operating with a similar knowledge base. There is a post Assembly survey that will be given out which asks 10 questions to get some general feedback for the Committee. This survey is something we will be using at our school specific events in November as well. Adam Buckholz (SMED) asked about the take home message: Faith Lyons (COMM, Chair) says hopefully people will walk away with a sense that their voice was heard and we are actively using it in our discussion. It shows that we are not just having this movement by ourselves. Caroline adds that one of the questions is what do you want to see moving forward, and that should be an important part for guiding our discussion. There will be a school-wide email going out in November from Honor that can highlight salient points for students who could not attend.

VII. NEW BUSINESS
A. Honor & Admissions/New Students: Stemming from the conversation last week when Landon Wilkins (SCPS) brought up giving jump drives to prospective students. Faith Lyons (COMM, Chair) sees that there are 3 groups of students: students applying to the University both undergraduates and graduate students, how can we reach out to them. For undergraduates Honor is working with Peabody Hall to send out a letter to prospective students. The next group of students is admitted students: for example MED sends out a letter. The final group is accepted and new students which we seek out during orientation with education events. Some schools have a more specific Honor policy: for example plagiarizing oneself in Curry. UVA is currently looking at redoing the undergraduate curriculum and Honor is striving to play an active role in this conversation. Michelle Butler (LAW) says there is not a section for Honor on the
LAW academic surveys. Alison Mehlsak (GBUS) says for Darden 1st year program separated plagiarism from Honor since it is so rampant, the goal was to have students better understand the definitions of actions the University considers cheating after students have been out in the corporate world. Monica Melmer (SMED) would like to see education pushes for graduate students at their “DOTL” type programs. Landon Wilkins (SCPS) says there are undergraduate, graduate, and certificate/non-degree programs in SCPS. Avery Rasmussen (COMM) says for tours for undergrads it is not standardized. Victoria Tran (BATT) asks if certificate students can vote we need to evaluate how that effects our threshold. Adam Buckholz (SMED) would like to see a better transition for Honor Reps to improve the overall Orientation process for new students.

VIII. COMMUNITY CONCERNS
None

IX. CLOSED SESSION