1. UCC Response to request for exemption from using IDEA forms in Honors Seminars—email from Michael Jordan—(and our reply?):

“On April 10, 2012, by a vote of 2 for and 8 against, the UCC chose not to recommend any action on behalf of the request you submitted. The UCC concluded that it did not have the authority to change the evaluation form used by the program, that only the senate had that authority, and that a request for such a change should probably go to the Teaching Evaluation committee. UCC members recognized that the IDEA form does not neatly fit all needs, but thought it was of paramount importance that everyone use a form that had standard approval. Members thought that questions could be added to the form in an attempt to meet the needs of the program. The vote was that the UCC would not endorse the request if you decided to submit it to the Teaching Evaluation committee.”

2. Honors Seminar Evaluation form revisions for one-professor Seminars & for exemption from IDEA forms—update and Mathew’s suggestions for a separate one for the experimental seminars.

“So this form focuses on evaluating the course / professor. I sort of think that we need something a little bit different to address the question: are one-professor seminars a good idea for the program?

Maybe something along the lines of: "How would you evaluate this experimental seminar in comparison to other regular seminars you've taken?" and "Do you think one professor seminars are a good idea overall? Why or why not?" This could just be a separate questionnaire for my seminar and the one in the Spring, which we could then discuss together.

Perhaps this would be a good agenda item for the meeting in Nov?

3. Website Issues

4. Application Essay Review teams:

   November (Eric & Rick); December (Mathew & Billy); January (Katherine & James); February (Jim & Katharine); March (Michael & CELC Rep); April (All hands on deck!)—because many applications come in at the deadline at the end of March!
5. Mathew Vicknair’s report on his work on the points system and reasons for student failures to get the required points

6. Student Board Meetings—12-11-12

7. Calendar for upcoming meeting—December meeting (?)—Spring schedules?

8. Third Term as Director? Michael Jordan would like to talk to the Board about this possibility.


10. Other?