

Meeting Minutes  
Aquinas Scholars Student Board  
10/27/16

**I. Director's Report**

- a) Updates on the Program—Still working with Dan Meyer about Book Scholarships for the Honors Seminars
- b) We have about 162 scholars per year who take seminars.

**II. President**

- a) Board Meeting Change:
  - i) Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup> – cancelled
  - ii) Rescheduled for Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>
- b) Executive Goals – Formal Request Update
  - i) Hope to send it to Wendy by Monday
- c) Executive Goals – to achieve on our own
  - i) Honors Section Influence – Sent out survey
    - (1) So far 80 students have taken it
  - ii) Study Room in Library
    - (1) Talking with Wendy and Rob in the Library
  - iii) Calling Prospective Scholars – first week in February
    - (1) Problem w/ LLC – they already have roommates
    - (2) Schedule & system in place for calling
    - (3) Try this in Late February
      - (a) It'll most likely be phone call and email
  - iv) Tutoring program – contacting nearby schools

- (1) Should be getting back into school in the next month
- (2) Plus, reach out to non-profit programs and other places that have tutor programs
- d) T-shirts for the whole program?
  - i) Yes, have it for the whole program
- e) Logo contest? Send in shirt design for 1 point?
  - i) Yes and send the email to every scholar.

### **III. VP/ Secretary's Report**

- a) Mentorship Program
  - i) Updates
  - ii) Sent an email about the next registration meeting
    - (1) Only one person has had difficulty connecting to a mentee
  - iii) Feedback
- b) LLC
  - i) LLC Social events update
    - (1) 10/19 Study room
    - (2) 11/05 Romeo and Juliet
  - ii) Create t-shirts for the LLC members?

### **I. Social**

- a) How did the Halloween Movie night go?
  - 1) Lots of people and they stayed for the whole movie! No one really left
- b) T shirt update
- c) Upcoming events – Bucca
  - 1) Many people have RSVP'd

## **II. Academic Events**

- a) Pizza with a Prof – Dr. Orzolek – October 25<sup>th</sup>
  - 1) 60 people came and some board members
- b) Upcoming Events & Speakers
  - 1) Dr. Smith for November 15<sup>th</sup>

## **III. Service**

- a) How did St. Marks and Tie Blanket events go?
  - 1) Made 20 blankets made
  - 2) However, 2 scholars signed in and just left. We took their points away
- b) Upcoming Events - FMSC
- c) Tutoring at St. Marks update
- d) Updates

## **IV. Webmaster**

- a) Instructional video for Dropbox made!
- b) Updates

## **V. Social Media Chair**

- a) Send event pictures to Emily
- b) Help direct people to our page
- c) Scholar Spotlights – list of all scholars to contact, will begin posting next week
- d) Any new post ideas?
  - 1) No new ideas at this point

## **VI. Publications**

- a) October Journal – published 25<sup>th</sup>

- 1) Will be sent out today
- b) November entries
  - 1) Already have November Entries
- c) Honors Program Initiatives Spotlight
- d) Updates
  - 1) Working with Admissions to revise our pamphlet
    - (1) Wants Board members to come with summarization about our experience and reflections of our time with the Scholars Program
      - (a) Talk about what we (our position) do in 3 sentences
    - (2) Wants to get new photos and contact info
    - (3) Have more than just the website link on the pamphlet
  - 2) Believes we should have a Treasurer position on the Board
    - (1) Most of the Board agrees! Some say that Scholars have been asking if there is a Treasurer for the Scholars Program.
      - (2) The Treasurer would be in charge of tracking spending, not really maintaining it

## **VII. Symposium**

- a) Brainstorm theme ideas
- b) Updates

## **VIII. R&O and Ambassador**

- a) Faculty board meeting – 11/17 convo hour
- b) Updates

## **IX. Freshmen Reps**

- a) Feedback

b) Lounge

- 1) Perhaps keep it cleaner in the coming days. Trash is overflowing at times.
- 2) Supply levels
- 3) New snack ideas?
- 4) Little Library – need book donations!
- 5) Board games, puzzles, card game donations

c) Updates