Honors Program Committee Agenda
Thursday, October 15, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
Honors Program Lounge, UI Commons 315A

UHP Committee Members
- Sanjay Sisodiya, Business, Honors Program Committee Chair
- Stacy Camp, Anthropology
- Pamela Bathurst, Music
- Ashley Kerr, Modern Languages and Cultures
- John Foltz, Agricultural and Life Sciences
- Brian He, Biological and Agricultural Engineering
- David Pfeiffer, Biological Sciences
- Jennifer Downen, President, Honors Leadership Council (one vote)
- Alton Campbell, UHP Director (w/o vote)
- Chris Price, UHP Management Assistant (w/o vote; honors@uidaho.edu)

Agenda
1. Welcome - Sanjay Sisodiya (Chair)

2. Honors Leadership Council (HLC) updates – Jennifer Downen (HLC Co-President) (3-5 min)

3. Update on Honors Program – Alton (10 min)
   - Enrollment data (see attachment)
   - Final course list for spring 2015 (see attachment)
   - Academic, social and cultural co-curricular activities
     - "Food for Thought" Lunches:
       - Oct. 5 with Tom Drake (English) and Tara MacDonald (English) (9 students attended)
       - Nov. 5 with Ro Afatchao (International Studies) and Janice Capel Anderson (Psychology)
     - Fireside Chats:
       - Wed, Sept. 23, Andy Kersten: “What is an Educated Person” (30 in attendance)
       - Wed. Oct. 28, Pam Bathurst: “Opening doors with the sound of your voice”
       - Mon. Nov. 16, Joy Passante, “A Father’s War, A Daughter’s Book: Making History Personal” about her new book, and the process of research and writing
     - Honors Book Club, led by Jenna Putnam (student)
       - Already read: Norwegian Wood by Haruki Murakami and And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie
       - Currently Reading: Run by Ann Patchett
       - On the reading list: Zorro by Isabel Allende, Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver, and Extremely Loud & Incredibly Close by Jonathan Safran Foer
     - Honors “Movie and a Prof Night”
       - Friday, Oct. 2, Matt Wappett, Chinese movie “A Touch of Sin” which is a modern commentary on the violence inherent in modern life and especially in a rapidly developing China (20 in attendance)
       - Friday, Oct. 23, 7:00, Luke Harman (Biology prof) in Bio 277, movie title to be determined
- Friday, Jan. 22, 7:00, Irina Kappler Crookston (Department Chair Modern Languages), being planned.
  - Cultural activity being considered for late fall and/or spring. Ideas???

4. Review and make suggestions to 2015-16 Honors Recruiting Plan (see attachment) (15 min). As background, we used similar recruiting strategies for the last two years and slightly refined them for current use in 2015-16. The Honors Student Ambassador focus group session, to be held on 10/13/15, will provide additional input to the recruiting plan.

5. Update on Distinguished Scholarship Program (Holly LaHann, 10-15 min)
   - Overview of new distinguished scholarship program, recent recipients, workshops and presentations, and new web site
   - Discussion/brainstorm: How can we better communicate scholarship opportunities and information to students, faculty and departments?

6. Honors Thesis participation and progress (10 minutes)
   - Update
   - Brainstorm approaches for getting more students involved
     - Honors Certificate (27 distributed honors credits)
     - Honors Core Award (19 honors credits)

7. Final comments (Sanjay-2 min)
   Next meetings reminder:
   - Tuesday Nov. 17 from 2:00-3:00
   - Meeting will be scheduled for the Research Award Ad Hoc Committee in which they will review proposals and award grants to students