AGENDA
HONORS AND AWARDS COUNCIL MEETING
September 19, 2017
2:00-4:00 p.m., SVC 2070 *

1. Call to Order, Introductions

2. Review/Approval of Minutes from March 9, 2017 Meeting

3. Discussion of Honorary Degree Candidates [Discussant]
   a. Daniel Liebeskind – ARTS
   b. Andrew Hamilton - CAS

4. Review and Discussion of Proposed Revisions to Award Guidelines

5. Scheduling Spring Meetings:
   (1) January 22 - February 2
   (2) February 20 – March 2

6. Other Business

7. Adjourn

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MINUTES
Tuesday, September 19, 2017
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Present: Lyndsay Boggess, Kamila Dell, Debra Friedrich, Barbara Hansen, Johanna Lasonen, Jianjun Pan, Lee Stefanakos,

Ballot
Submitted: Jeanne Travers

Guest: Travis Miller, Commencement Office

After the meeting was called to order by Chair Hansen at 2:05 p.m., introductions were made. The Minutes from the meeting of March 9, 2017 were unanimously approved as presented.

PROPOSED REVISIONS TO AWARD GUIDELINES

Chair Hansen reiterated that in an effort to eliminate some of the burden of nominators the award checklists were revised to streamline the process. This included a link for student evaluations of courses, evaluation letters, and response rates. For the honorary degree, it was agreed to eliminate the supplemental option. A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed award revisions made at the March meeting. The floor was opened for discussion. Chair Hansen clarified that the proposed revisions would go into effect immediately. There being no further discussion, the motion unanimously passed to accept the proposed award revisions.

DISCUSSION OF HONORARY DEGREE CANDIDATES

Before beginning the review, Mr. Miller clarified that there is no limit on the number of honorary degrees put forward. There are 4 graduations in the fall – undergraduate commencements are split up by college; upper levels are at one time. The president’s office is responsible for the scheduling of the candidates’ visits. Mr. Miller announced that Patricia Flatley Brennan, who was nominated in the spring but unable to attend that commencement, will be attending the Fall Commencement.

a. Daniel Libeskind – Debra Friedrich

Mr. Libeskind’s nomination was submitted by Dr. Robert MacLeod from the School of Architecture and Community Design, College of the Arts. He was recommended for consideration of an Honorary Degree in Architecture. Highlights of Mr. Libeskind’s dossier were his outstanding contributions to architecture, both internationally and nationally. His involvement with USF is through the College of the Arts where, in 2017, he was a guest lecturer for the School of Architecture and Community Design. Mr. Libeskind spoke extensively to the graduate students about many topics significant within the field. According to a statement from COTA Dean James Moy, Mr. Libeskind “introduced the USF campus community to his work beyond architecture in furniture
design, jewelry, international music and more. He is a true Renaissance Man.” Overall, he was an impressive candidate with several honorary degrees. Chair Hansen pointed out that if Mr. Libeskind’s nomination was approved, it would be the first Honorary Degree in Architecture awarded at USF. There being no further discussion, a motion was made and seconded to approve and recommend Mr. Libeskind for this honorary degree. The motion unanimously passed.

b. Andrew Hamilton – Jianjun Pan

Dr. Pan was pleased to review Dr. Hamilton’s qualifications in consideration of an Honorary Degree of Science (chemistry). His nomination was submitted by Dr. Wayne Guida, Chair of the Department of Chemistry, College of Arts and Sciences. Dr. Hamilton has received 9 honorary degree recognitions. He continues to educate through lectures and has held numerous lectureship positions. He has an outstanding and remarkable publishing career. Dr. Hamilton has a close relationship with USF as a featured visitor/lecturer. He also has had a long-term collaboration with Dr. Said Sebti of Moffit’s Drug Discovery Program and this collaboration is still being maintained. In addition, he has made impressive contributions nationally and internationally. At this time, there was no further discussion and a motion was made and seconded to recommend Dr. Hamilton for an Honorary Doctor of Science. The motion unanimously passed.

SCHEDULING SPRING MEETINGS

A Doodle will be sent to everyone for their availability to meet for 2 spring semester meetings: (1) between January 22-February 2, and (2) between February 20-March 2.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chair-elect Friedrich announced that she has a new position within the College of Nursing and asked if any of the members would like to work as chair-elect with Chair Hansen for the remainder of this year. Dr. Stefanakos volunteered to step in as chair-elect for 2017/18, taking over as chair for 2018/19.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.