

# Honor Council

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Honor Council Sunday Meeting, 5:00pm  
Public Minutes from March 20, 2005

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Julien Colvin, J.J. Jacobs, Emily Moran, Oleg Nudelman, Leah Gold, Jacob Rabinowitz, Stephanie Rudolph, Will Coleman, Travis Green, Nick Stephens, Brandon West, Miriam Carroll, Abby Krumholz, Dan Logan, Lindsey Merikas **COMMUNITY MEMBERS PRESENT:** Frank Alvarez, Kat Zukaitis, Megan Gage, Erica Malm and Marisa Militello

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**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jon Williams

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

- **Committees Discussed**
  - Admissions Committee will welcome new Admissions Director with letter.
  - Both committees need to meet this week. Faculty outreach needs to get going on organizing the faculty panel. Community outreach needs to plan its mock trial, which will include an all community member jury. Pizza will be served.
  - StuMP needs to meet to draft its constitution by the end of the month.
- **The Release of Several new Abstracts Discussed**
  - It was raised that abstract discussions are Council's current means of gaining feedback about trials and the issues that the trials raise.
  - However these discussion sessions are generally poorly attended.
  - Some possible causes and solutions for this situation were discussed.
    - Community members are reticent to attend discussions, because they do not know what they are all about.
    - People fear that Council members will dominate conversations.
    - The current method is very passive, and might be improved by formally introducing the new abstract with a reading in Founders before its mail release.
    - Megan Gage responded to the questions of how to save paper as well as how to make abstracts more widely read that it might be effective to provide a number of new abstracts outside of the Dining Center as the Bi-college News does.
    - It was suggested that a low attendance of abstract discussions might suggest that the community is generally happy with the way in which abstracts show Council working within the Honor Code.
    - Abstract discussions should fall at later times in a venue like Lunt, as opposed to the Dining Center during meals.
- **New Privacy Policy To Be Published by Safety and Security**
  - Julien Said that the basic message in the Policy was that Security would not enter a private space without verbal permission or an emergency. Upon entering a private space, any drug paraphernalia, for which there was a reasonable suspicion that it had been used in an illegal way, would be confiscated. If no reasonable suspicion exists, paraphernalia will not be confiscated.
    - This raised some questions for Council Members:
      - What constitutes a private space?
      - Could this deter people from calling security in the event of an emergency?
        - Security might wish to include a clause giving immunity to those who call them in an emergency.
- **PAF and OMA Committees Discussed Meeting**
- **Confidential Portion**

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These minutes reflect the opinions of Nitro (jstephen@hc) and Travis (tgreen@hc) and are not reviewed or approved by Council. Damn! That's a lot of minutes.