ASTRONOMY DEPARTMENT MEETING

Tuesday, October 1, 2013 1:00pm – 1:50pm Phys 101

Attendees: Susan Stolovy, Susana Prieto, John Coroneus, Vincent Lloyd, Jean Shankweiler and Daniel Wright.

1. Curriculum

Physics 11 & 12 will be reviewed by Susana Prieto

Eyal Goldmann is schedule to review Physics 1A. We can ask Eyal if he would like Susan Stolovy to review this course if he is overloaded.

2. Student Learning Outcomes (SLO)

The only fall assessments are for Astronomy 20 SLO - Scientific Method, V. Lloyd is working on this. The emphasis on course and program assessment will be in spring 2014

Astronomy 12/25 course SLO and the PLO—Scientific Method Physics—All course SLOs and the PLO—problem solving.

3. Safety

- Talked about plumbing in Physics
- Request for gas/plumbing in shop—submit add/move request.
- Door stops—safety issue if active shooter is on campus.

4. Program Review/Planning

• Reviewed the 2013-14 plans and program review for both Astronomy and Physics to see what has been completed and what should be added. Susana Prieto reported Physical Science 25 needs to be revised, so some of the purchased should be put on hold until that is complete.

5. Technician Report/Demo

• Pressure globe with balloon demonstrated by Daniel Wright.

6. Other

- Evaluation processes for full time probationary were explained.
- Hiring-part time astronomy for spring will be sent to HR and announced.
- Request astronomy full time for 2014-15. Paperwork is due on October 11.