

NATURAL SCIENCES DIVISION CURRICULUM MEETING

Thursday, January 29, 2015

1:00pm – 1:50pm

LS 101

Attendees: A. Osanyinpeju, S. Potter, T. Bui, S. Stolovy, S. V. Lloyd, S. Leonelli, J. Shankweiler, M. Ebner, B. Carey.

1. Fall 2014

M. Ebner is not receiving notifications. Julienne replaced him while on sabbatical Jean will contact the curriculum office to correct.

2. Spring 2015

- The schedule of review has March 25 as deadline, this is too late and should be March 1. T. Bui believes the reviews to DCC by March 1.
- Discussed Chemistry 21A/B---21A is good to go. Pete is still working on 21B.
- Astronomy 20 – discussed some concerns of S. Stolovy.
- Physics 1B—fix the SLO statements and it is good to go.
- Horticulture—entry skills need to be done on all courses. Also, the outline of subject matter needs to be in outline form, with subtopics.

3. C-ID Updates

- Geog. 9 needs to be revised.
- Geog. 2 was done last year. Will check with articulation office.

4. Pre-requisites

- Astronomy 20 – recommendation is for “Eligibility for English 84.” Why don’t we just say “English 82.”? It would be good to have consistency in all pre-reqs.

5. Catalog and Schedule of Class notes—no discussion.

6. Study hours update

- T. Bui related news from CCC. The students should get the advantage. Classes and curriculum is approved to benefit the students, not faculty.
- The number of units. Also need to be kept low so that degrees can be kept to recommended number of hours.
- ACS (American Chemical Society) recommends lab hours be equal to lecture hours for purpose of load, due to safety concerns. Our contract is not set up that way.

7. Other

Discussion: the committee discussed when to give a “nay” vote to proposed curriculum.

There was discussion on what various people do. The consensus was that a “nay” vote should be given if there is a fatal error—for instance (no entry skills are listed and it is clear that the proposal will not pass CCC). Then in the nay vote comments, list the errors. If those items get fixed---the proposal can move that should be stated in comments.