

Natural Science Division Curriculum Committee

May 6, 2011

Attendance: T. Palos, R. LaFond, A. Osanyinpeju, J. Shankweiler,

Next Year: The curriculum review schedule for next year was distributed. Courses for review include Biology 12, History of Science 11, Horticulture 46, 53 and 54, and Physical Science 25. Notice will be sent to the instructors for those courses (Bellemin, Noyes, LaFond and Prieto). New curriculum to be approved for next year is the Cell Cultures class, part of the Biotechnology Program. J. Shankweiler will notify Q. Chapman and L. Kjeseth.

Meeting Schedule: No more meetings will be needed this semester unless someone completes some of the course review needed for next semester.

High School Articulation:

West High School Biotechnology – articulation completed for Biotech 1 with all the Torrance high schools. R. LaFond has signed the documents and they need to be returned to the curriculum office.

CAMS Biotechnology – The California Academy of Math and Science (CAMS) is requesting that one year of Biotechnology offered at CAMS be articulated with our Biotechnology 1 course. E. Goldmann and A. Grant both reviewed the documents and noted only grammatical changes. T. Palos noted that they have both lecture and lab and have included some material from Biology 102 and Biotechnology 2. The material for Biotechnology 1 is all present. The textbooks used are appropriate. T. Palos suggested the course meets the requirements of our course and recommended approval. All agreed. R. LaFond and J. Shankweiler will follow up on paperwork.