

**Division of Natural Science
Physics/Astronomy Dept Meeting**

October 22, 2020

1-1:50pm

Zoom Meeting

MINUTES

Present: S. Kadakia, S. Stolovy, Z. Murdock, J. Coroneus, E. Goldmann, A. Grant

- A. A. Grant announced that power supplies were awarded to physics via the planning process. They will be ordered soon.
- B. E. Goldmann went over a report by IR on success rates in the physics-1 series. He will contact IR for clarification and ask for the raw data. One issue that was brought to light was that 13% of Phys-1A students do not have the Phys-2A or HS physics prereq, and it affects their success. Z. Murdock echoed this sentiment. Starting this winter, Mariam will examine the prereqs of all Phys-1A students for Fall and Spring to make sure they have the correct prereq, and have them removed from the class if they do not.
- C. A. Grant reported that the pt astronomy hiring yielded zero candidates. HR will extend the job and publish it in the American Astronomical Society (AAS) job listing.
- D. S. Kadakia was surprised at the math level of her PSCI-25 students. A. Grant will organize a math for phys sci workshop for when students return to campus, similar to the math for chemistry workshop.
- E. E. Goldmann will update planning.