

Division of Natural Science
Physics/Astronomy Dept Meeting
September 13, 2018 1-1:50pm Phys 112

MINUTES

Present: D. Wright, S. Stolovy, P. Hacking, S. Kadakia, Z. Murdock, J. Coroneus, E. Goldmann, S.V. Lloyd, A. Grant

- A. SLOs: Faculty are on track for this semester.
- B. Physics/Astronomy Hiring: Changing min quals for Astronomy is underway. The proposal was brought to the Ed Policies Committee, and S. Kadakia spoke on behalf of the Astronomy Dept. There was some discussion about candidates who have been teaching astronomy at other institutions, but who aren't qualified at ECC.
- C. Planning due 11/1. '17-'18 College Plan (results from previous planning cycle) to come out in October. S. Stolovy mentioned that she'd like a screen purchased for the planetarium. S. Kadakia indicated that a picnic table was needed for the observatory. Both faculty will look into costs.
- D. Technician Issues to Report: There were network issues at the beginning of the semester, but IT fixed them. S. Stolovy reported that she was having trouble, at times, connecting to the copy center. D. Wright will create a new work order for the lights in Phys 109.
- E. Announcements: S. Kadakia was interested in progress for the new astrobiology course, but curriculum is slowing down on new classes while they switch to a new system.