

Division of Natural Science
Chemistry Department Meeting
September 26, 2019, 1pm Chem 134

MINUTES

In Attendance: S. Potter, M. Abbani, L. Saldarriaga, R. Shibao, M. Jimenez, S. Cook, A. Tontcheva, P. Doucette, R. Turner, T. Moore, A. Grant

- A. SLO status: R. Turner sent out an email about the progress of SLOs. He will send a reminder in October.
- B. Math for Chemistry Workshops: This semester, three workshops attracted ~120 students. The faculty proposed having five workshops, one each in weeks 2-6 of the spring semester. A. Grant committed to doing three of the workshops, and FT faculty will do the other two for a small stipend. A. Grant will collaborate with the faculty on the content of the workshops.
- R. Turner suggested that instructors give a short math quiz in class. Students who pass the quiz get two points of extra credit, and students who fail the quiz can get the two points by attending a math for chemistry workshop.
- The faculty would like to float the possibility of having a 0.5 unit math skills class that is mandatory. A. Grant will investigate having a mandatory companion course for intro chemistry.
- C. Adjunct update: Some of the early classroom observations have been very good!
- D. Office hours: A. Grant reminded faculty to put office hours on their doors.
- E. Announcements: A. Grant noted that the student surveys would be done on Canvas. The faculty wondered if our wifi is strong enough to support that.