



Meeting Agenda

Date 01/22/2021

Location: zoom

Time 11 am

Type of Meeting: *Regular*

Please Review/Bring:

Committee Members:

[Alex Schroer](#): chair

CIS department: Timothy Etherington, [Ed Beyer](#), Jonathan McCary, [Manuel Hidalgo](#), [Mark Ivey](#), Matthew McCloskey, Nathan Wonnacott, Paul Hurd, [Richard Biritwum](#), Robert Price

Chemistry: [Brian Kimball](#), [Carlos Hernandez](#), Daniel Evans, David Newman, [Gurcharan Rahi](#), [Hind Ali](#), Jeff Cooper, [Jessica Harper](#), Mike Tinirello, Nashet Saleh, [Neena Suri](#), [Neil Quebbeman](#), [Vinita Kulkarni](#), [Yonis Ahmed](#)

Engineering: Dursun Terpel, [Jonathan Compton](#), Jonathan Over, Jose Alvarado, [Karl Mayor](#)

Geosciences: [Aurora Burd](#), [Karen Sonksen](#), Kathy Duret, [Mike Pesses](#), [Paul Stahmann](#), [Brittany Huerta](#)

Physical Sciences/Physics: [Athos Kyriakides](#), [Bruce Schulte](#), [Mark McGovern](#), Jason Bowen, [Ken Underwood](#), [William Rogers](#)

[Christos Valiotis](#) dean

[Jamie Jones](#): STEM Program Coordinator

[Isabelle Saber](#) :VPAA

Items	Person	Action
1. COVID updates	<i>Christos Valiotis</i>	
2. Teaching modalities	<i>C.Valiotis</i>	
3. Website	<i>C. Valiotis, J.Jones</i>	
4. Transfer degrees (recommended classes)	<i>Alex Schroer</i>	
5. Introduction of VPAA	<i>Isabelle Saber</i>	

Next Meeting: Date TBD

People highlighted in blue were present.

Mr. Valiotis talked about news regarding COVID vaccination and the fact that AVC might become a vaccination site. In the event that the vaccination takes place before summer we might be allowed to return on campus for summer and fall 2021. We are still allowed to come on campus for recordings or lab activities but need to let the division know and fill out the self-screening report on the AVC website.

He talked about cuts that needed to be made for summer and the new schedule of 2 6 week blocks and a 12 week one.

Science Olympiad will be held on February 27th in a virtual format. People interested in participation should let us know in order to plan accordingly.



Jamie Jones, the STEM Program Coordinator, will be in charge of the division website. Instructors should email her about info they want to put on the website and an eventual link to their syllabus.

Undergraduate research was the next topic. The website will include information about this as well.

Mr. Valiotis talked about the STEM club, and the success of the Engineering Program in collaboration with Long Beach. We had 175 students graduate at AVC with a 100% employment guarantee.

Next we discussed the need to update all AS-T degrees for pathway. We looked at some examples and each discipline will submit their recommended classes to the dean.

Last, we had the pleasure of introducing Mrs. Isabelle Saber to the division. As the new VPAA she wanted to meet each member of our division and had them introduce themselves.

We welcome again the new hires; full time: Neil Quebbemann (Chemistry), Athos Kyriakides (Physics) and the adjuncts: Karen Sonksen (Geography), Brittany Huerta (Geology) and also our new CIS colleagues.