In attendance: Profs. Charles Kramer, Jürgen Polle, Stephane Bossinot, Sarah Salm, Patricia Ferdinand, Ben Ortiz. Absent: Prof. Mary-Beth Dawson

1. Biology Topics
   a. The committee continued discussion on the major topics to be covered in one year of Biology for the major curriculum. Currently, each of nine major topic headings now has 4 – 5 subtopics, which will be presented in the committee’s final report in March. In addition to the abbreviated list of points for each topic, an expanded list will also be described in the final report.
   b. The final list of topics and subtopics will be assembled and disseminated to all committee members before the next meeting. Once disseminated, learning goals for each major topic will be discussed and included.

2. CUNY Pathways Common Core
   a. Regarding the latest communication from Vice Chancellor Logue on the CUNY Credit for Common Core (and Other) Science Laboratories (January 25th, 2012) in which suggestions were made as to how CUNY schools can fulfill the science requirements, the committee states the following:
      i. Under no circumstances should classes offered to biology major students be reduced in hours or content from the traditional 4 – 4.5 credit lecture/lab format. In addition, the committee recommends that non-science major students, if they wish, should be afforded the opportunity meet their common core science requirement with a traditional 4 – 4.5 credit science class in lieu of any “novel format” (as per VP Logue’s communication) 3 credit course.

3. Next meeting
   a. The next meeting will be held on February 18th, 2012