

Zoom meeting for the board for Women in Physics, 23 August 2019

Participation: Barbro Åsman, Thomas Brage, Ellen Moons, Carol Norberg and Donatella Puglisi

1. Opening of the meeting

The meeting was opened by Barbro. This was the first meeting of the new board who each gave short presentations about themselves.

2. Carol was chosen as the secretary.

3. Presentation of NORNDIP by Barbro Åsman.

Barbro gave background information on how the NORNDIP network of Nordic physicists was created and how its activities are funded by Nordforsk. Funding was obtained for three conferences promoting women in physics and to arrange a course on gender issues. One conference was organized in Stockholm in the autumn of 2018. The next conference with the theme of unconscious bias will take place in Helsinki 4-5 November 2019. The network is run by representatives from Denmark, Finland Norway, Sweden and as of this year Iceland.

4. Past and future for the section.

There was a brief summary of the activities in recent years. Upcoming activities were discussed:

- Fysikdagarna in Linköping, 3-5 October. The section will hold an afternoon session during which Donatella and Carol will give presentations. Donatella will investigate the 500 Women in Science group and the possibility of inviting a representative to join our meeting. An email will be sent out to the members of the section to inform them both of the meeting at Fysikdagarna and the upcoming NORNDIP conference.
- The section will contribute to organizing the gender course that will be funded with the Nordforsk grant. Barbro and Thomas will start to discuss the format of the course and how to arrange it
- Each board member shall investigate how gender issues are handled at their own universities and report back.
- Currently astronomers are not represented in the Fysikersamfundet. We should bear this in mind and look for opportunities to include them.

5. Next meeting

The next meeting will take place on the second day of the NORDNIP conference in Helsinki, 5 November 2019.