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Sektionen för elementarpartikel- och astropartikelfysik  
Styrelsen

Protocol from the board meeting March 31, 2008.

Present: Jan Conrad, Carlos de los Heros, Stephen Hwang, David Milstead, Anders Oskarsson, Torbjörn Sjöstrand, Oxana Smirnova

Absent: Niclas Wyllard and Maxim Zabzine

1. The agenda was approved
2. The minutes from last meeting were approved.
3. Carlos de los Heros was appointed to verify the minutes.
4. RECFA will hold its open meeting in Uppsala on May 9<sup>th</sup>.  
Barbro Åsman (RECFA delegate) joined and explained the plans for the Uppsala meeting. RECFA requests an inventory of the number of persons involved in particle and astro-particle physics in Sweden.

The preliminary meeting agenda:

- Welcome address.
- VR-report
- Overview of PF I Sweden (Barbro Åsman)
- LHC ATLAS, (Kerstin JonAnd)
- Detector R&D (Rickard Brenner)
- ALICE, (speaker not decided)
- Nuclear Physics (speaker not decided)
- Astro-particle physics (Olga Botner)
- Future accelerators, (speaker not decided)
- Phenomenology (Leif Lönnbladh)
- Theory (Ulf Danielsson)
- Outreach, (Bengt Lundh Jensen)
- Grid (Oxana Smirnova)
- Students view (speaker not decided)

One important outcome of the meeting is a recommendation from RECFA to the Minister of Science where the support to Swedish high energy physics is analysed in an international context.

We have now two representatives in RECFA. (Barbro Åsman and Leif Lönnbladh). It was discussed if a third delegate (which we usually have had) should be appointed, likely from Uppsala. Carlos and Oxana will ask Uppsala colleagues (both particle physics and astro-particle physics) to nominate a candidate so that a decision can be taken at the next meeting.

5. Torbjörn gave an update on the economy situation. Two accounts are at our disposal. The one administered by the section has a balance of 30223SEK. The last three years, the balance has been at this level. The major expense from the account is "Partikledagarna" while the most important income is the participant fees for the "Partikeldagarna". It was pointed out that we can apply for money from SFS to invite speakers.

The other account is handled by the SFS cashier. It pays for ECFA, RECFA, ACCU delegates. Money is provided from VR. The present balance is about 130kSEK. (filled 2007). The annual spendings vary a lot. (20k-98k over the last years). Normally ca 50k per year is used. Next time Oxana will be the applicant. Oxana will check if this application should be a regular project application from VR or if it is a travel grant that can be applied for at any time. Given the large positive balance on the account, it seems unlikely that an application should be sent in already this year.

6. It was decided to accept the changes to the bylaws proposed by the SFS chair, i.e remove paragraph 5. It also appears logical that paragraph 4 is included as point 3.9 under paragraph 3. Oxana will check with the SFS chair if the proposed changes are acceptable. If so, the annual meeting of the section can vote on the bylaw changes.
7. Oxana reported from the SFS annual meeting in Linköping on March 13-14. There was a proposal that "partikeldagarna" in 2009 should be in Karlstad in connection with the annual meeting by SFS. The meeting will probably be scheduled for late September according to Stephen who is one of the organizers. An effort is made to coordinate several section meetings to the same time period.
8. David and Jan are planing "partikeldagarna 2008". Possible dates 4-5 sept, 11-12th sept, 9-10 oct. and 16-17 oct. David and Jan will send around a questionnaire with dates to the board members, who should ask around in their neighbourhood which dates are the best. The whole board will form an organizing committee with regards to the program.
9. Oxana will set up a poll for a meeting in the week starting April 14. Main topic "Patikeldagarna 2008". Bengt Lund Jensen should be invited to participate.

Lund and Uppsala April 14, 2008

Anders Oskarsson, sekr.

Oxana Smirnova, ordf.

Justeras:

Carlos de los Heros