

## Meeting minutes ELPASFYSIK board meeting, June 18<sup>th</sup> 2025, 10:00.

Present: Carlos Pérez de los Heros, Rebeca González Suárez, Chad Finley, Jörgen Sjölin, Sandhya Choubey, Gabriele Ferretti, Malin Sjö Dahl, David Silvermyr

1. Election of secretary  
Carlos Pérez de los Heros

2. Election of verifier  
David Silvermyr

3. Letter of support for PYTHIA as an infrastructure of national interest

Malin reminded that there is a plan to apply for PYTHIA as a research infrastructure of national interest within the VR RFI program, and pointed out that it would be good to include a letter of support from the Sektion in the application. It was agreed that she will write a draft and circulate it among the board for comments. Carlos pointed out that PYTHIA is not only used in accelerator experiments, but also in Astroparticle Physics experiments, which can add weight to the argument. The letter should be ready by the end of June before people leave for vacation and it will be used in the first stage of the application procedure, the internal faculty ranking. A “community” letter (can be the same one), signed by everyone in the field, can be prepared later to accompany the application itself to VR in November.

4. Status of Partikeldagarna

- External invited talks are decided. Julia Tjus (Bohum) will give the Astroparticle talk (topic to be decided) and David Marzocca (Trieste) will talk about the plans for a muon collider. David will visit Chalmers at the time and (part of) his travel will be covered by a local research budget.
- VR talks: Lisbeth Ohlsson is in charge of the RFI and is a professor in Chalmers. Mattias Marklund is also at Chalmers and he is ex-secretary for Science and Technology in VR. Gabriele will contact them.
- Talk about the European Strategy of Particle Physics. Rebeca will give an update on the status.
- Venue: Gabriele investigated several possibilities which reduce to the following:
  - In the Physics building: 66 seats only. Free
  - Skania Salen: in the main building: 80 seats, 13750 sek/day exkl. moms (until 4pm). Gabriele will investigate the possibility and cost of having the room until 6pm
  - MindPark Conference Center: 108 seats, 13200 sek/day exkl. moms.
  - Wallenberg Conference Center: A bit out of town.

After some considerations of location, room size and total cost it was decided to go for the Skania Salen (pending final information about the conditions for booking the room after 4pm).

Including the cost of lunch and coffee breaks the meeting fee is estimated to be around 1500 sek if calculated for 70 people (it was 1400 sek in Uppsala in 2024).

- Website, deadlines etc: To be decided and set up after the summer. We agree to have a meeting late August/early September to finalize these issues.

5. Any other business

- No other business was discussed.

Secretary: Carlos Perez de los Heros



Justeringsperson: David Silvermyr



Date of approval: 2025 06 23