

## Board Meeting – SFS section, Elementary and Astroparticle Physics 2023-04-24 , 15:00-16:00

**Present:** Elin Bergeås Kuutmann (UU), Gabriele Ferretti (Chalmers), Chad Finley (SU), Rikkert Frederix (LU), Sten Hellman (SU), Erin O'Sullivan (UU), David Silvermyr (LU)

**Apologies:** Sandhya Choubey (KTH)

### Agenda:

#### 1) Election of justeringsperson

Gabriele Ferretti was elected.

#### 2) Approval of last minutes

The minutes from the previous meeting were been approved.

#### 3) Brief news to share

The in-person Master Classes have been slow to re-start but at least one was held this spring, a Master Class in Lund with ATLAS activities and also ALICE members hosting.

#### 4) Partikeldagarna at Fysikdagarna, Stockholm, Wed.-Fri. June 14-16 - General info

Fysikdagarna: <https://indico.fysik.su.se/event/7762/> .

As of Friday we had so far received 20 abstracts for talks in the ELPA sessions. At Partikeldagarna 2022 in Lund it was 27 non-political talks. We know some groups have been slow to submit talks, so the abstract deadline has been extended to April 28 (registration deadline remains May 5).

Elin and Sten are involved in planning separately for an ATLAS Sweden day on June 13.

Review from last time: For the "political" session, the following speakers have agreed:

- Jonas Strandberg: report on IPPOG and general outreach
- Riccardo Catena, Roman Pasechnik: report about IUPAP (RC and RP are respective members of C4 astroparticle physics and C11 particles and fields)
- Dave Milstead: report from RECFA
- Rebeca Gonzalez Suarez: ACCU report. (This was only on slides last year, and in-person is important for Rebeca to get feedback)
- Caterina Doglioni: report from Snowmass
- Chad Finley: report from APPEC

After the abstract deadline closes, the local organizing committee (Chad, Sten, Sandhya) will be able to draft a schedule and see how much time can be allocated for each talk.

When we have talk times, we can inform the speakers. Erin will draft guidelines to send to the "political" session speakers, which will help to make these talks more concise and effective. The guidelines will be included in the mails to these speakers.

## **5) Political Session at Partikeldagarna - representative(s) from VR to invite**

Elin spoke to Richard about the idea to invite two people from VR, representing infrastructure and project grants, and he suggested to contact Lisbeth Olsson from RFI (infrastructure) and Mattias Marklund from ämnesråden (project grants).

We discussed how the format of this part of the session might look. Assuming two representatives from VR, the proposal is to have a panel format, where the VR reps are joined by two or three researchers who can represent the physics communities that are affected by the disconnect between RFI funding and project grants. After short presentations by each panel member, the floor would be open for a general discussion. (We need to foresee being able to allocate up to 1 hour for this, panel presentations plus discussion.)

The idea is that it should be a positive environment and constructive effort that can lead to improvements in research quality and outcomes in Sweden. We can anticipate soliciting questions well ahead of the meeting, which can be provided to the panel members to make the discussions more fruitful.

Chad will start by writing to Lisbeth Olsson and Mattias Marklund. We have not fixed the date and time of the session yet, but it will either be Thursday afternoon or Friday morning.

When we have confirmed VR reps, we can proceed to inviting the other representatives. For example Jonas Strandberg as chair of the LHC Consortium, and members of the VR report "Accelerator-based infrastructures in the fields of particle and nuclear physics".

<https://www.vr.se/english/analysis/reports/our-reports/2020-06-12-accelerator-based-infrastructures-in-the-fields-of-particle-and-nuclear-physics.html>

## **6) Political Session at Partikeldagarna - report from CERN Council**

Elin contacted Richard Brenner about giving a CERN Council report. He might have a schedule conflict, in which case Sara Strandberg as his substitute in the council would be the natural choice.

Chad will write to Richard and Sara about giving the report.

## **7) Any Other Business**

Chad will circulate a doodle pool for the next meeting.