

Meeting minutes ELPASFYSIK board meeting, August 26th 2025, 15:00.

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

1. Election of secretary
Carlos Pérez de los Heros
2. Election of verifier
Chad Finley
3. Status of Partikeldagarna
 - VR talks: Gabriele has contacted Lisbeth Ohlsson and Mattias Marklund. Mattias has confirmed, Lisbeth were not able to confirm yet due to other, possibly overlapping, commitments. She will come back to Gabriele with a definite answer.
 - Speakers booked. Julia Tjus will be in Chalmers since the previous week. Carlos will check what we have to budget for her. Chalmers will pay for David Marzocca's flight. All meals and dinner for invited speakers will be covered by the conference budget.
 - Dinner: two offers.
First: This is in a hotel in the main avenue. 2-course meal for 445 sek or 3-course for 545 sek, without drinks. A drink package costs 265 sek and optionally one can have a welcome drink for additional 95 sek. The final cost including everything would be then 805 sek / 905 sek for the 2-course/3-course option respectively.
Second: Botanico. 7-course buffet for 595 plus wine package for 490 sek.
We decide on the first option with the 3-course+drinks choice.
 - Budget: registration fee seems to be able to be kept quite low. The point is how many people to budget for. Usually 70 participants in this conference series. We will calculate the budget for this number of participants. Gabriele will prepare the budget.
 - Payment: Chalmers has a payment system. We have to be careful with overhead. Not clear if Chalmers will take an overhead or how much. Gabriele will find out. Other option is to pay through the SFS account, paying by autogiro. The SFS takes 12% as overhead.
 - Website: Started. Skeleton copied from previous conference. Will be published as soon as information is added, even before the registration opens.
 - Election for the Board: Chad brings up whether we need to have an election during Partikeldagarna to replace members whose mandate expires this year. Not clear how this should be organized. Carlos will look at the section bylaws.
4. Letter of support for PYTHIA as an infrastructure of national interest
The applicants, Christian Bierlich, Leif Lönnblad, prefer that the chair of the section sends the support letter to Tobias Nilsson at the Science Faculty. First level of decision to be taken in September. Agreed to proceed like this.
5. Any other business
Rebeca brings up the issue of "reciprocal" societies and if the SFS would be interested in becoming a reciprocal society to the Spanish Physical Society. This involves at least the possibility of members of one of the society to attend the meetings of the other society. It is not clear what other benefits it can have for members. It is not a decision that can be taken by the section, but by the SFS.

Secretary: Carlos Perez de los Heros

Justeringsperson: Chad Finley

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