CPPC board meeting 2021-03-15

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1 Opening

The meeting was opened by Adriana. Andrea was made secretary.

2 Agenda

• The current agenda was approved by the board.

3 Follow up on previous meetings

- Genie representative for Physics department: The representative has been selected (Rebecka Rilemark). Her job is to represent the PhD students from the Department of Physics in Genie meetings but there is nothing going on yet. We are going to talk to Thomas about the local equality group at Physics.
- Assignment of teaching hours: The problem has not yet been solved. Some students got contacted by the respective course examiner, but no centralised decision about the teaching hours has arrived yet. To be further discussed in the meeting with Thomas.
- Survey on PhD courses: Daniel has prepared the survey form, we are going to test it internally to see how the data is collected, then the survey will be distributed to all the PhD students at the Physics Department.

• Follow-up Covid-19 survey: All the data from the survey has been collected and organized into a presentation. This presentation will be shared with Thomas and the Local PhD council, then shared with the PhD Students.

4 SFS-DK - Report on Covid19 and proposed repsonse

The consequences of the global pandemic on the Swedish PhD students are assessed in this report. It appears the SFS-DK is trying to propose a 2-months contract extension for all PhD students that have been enrolled since before April 2020 and are still enrolled in 2021. The report contains many suggestions on how to avoid further delays. To follow, a list of the possible measures that we can take at our department:

- Including a small section about Covid-19 in the ISP to track delays
- Produce a guide on how to apply for sick leave (Andrea and Adriana are going to work on it)
- Organising seminars about stress management and efficiency while working from home (to be proposed to Thomas)
- We are going to institute a Buddy system for new PhD students at the Physics Department
- We might share some of the links about ergonomics in the home-office

5 ESP

- A working Demo is ready, it will soon be shared with some testing users.
- The final version is expected to be released by the beginning of the Autumn semester (maybe)
- New PhD students will be using this system, old PhD students will be able to choose if they want to move to the new system or stick to the ISP.

6 Points to discuss with Thomas

- Covid-19 survey
- Gender equality task force
- Assignment of teaching hours
- SFS-DK report (in case he has not seen it)
- Seminars about mental health (discussion/proposal)
- Secretary for the department (discussion/proposal)

7 Other matters

We had no other matters.

8 Next meeting

The next CPPC meetings will be held on the 12th of April at $13{:}00$