

CPPC board meeting 2021-12-13

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1 Opening

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

2 Agenda

The proposed agenda was approved by the board.

3 Next meeting

The next CPPC board meeting will be held on January 17th at 11:00 (O4142).

4 Follow-up on previous meeting

- **GTS courses:** Now it is official that the compulsory credits for students who are accepted from 1 August 2022 have been reduced to 7.5 ECTS. No GTS courses are compulsory for obtaining the Licentiate. Doctoral students admitted before can choose to be examined based on the new regulations as well.

5 Updates from other meetings

- **Local councils meeting update**

Andrea and Adriana share the updates of the latests local council chair's meeting. The first matter was the teaching hours obtained for supervising bachelor and master students vary depending on the department. In some departments there is a lack of clarity. Even though Physics is doing ok in that matter, we can work on a document with Jakob Welander to clearly state the hours per ECTs.

There was also a proposal of an event for PhD students. Blue Monday game night on the 17th of January. CPPC will send an email for inviting everyone when the registration is open.

- **Gender equality meeting**

Björn shared the updates about the 1st meeting of the Gender equality council. Their vision is for the Department of Physics to become a better and stronger institution where everybody has the same opportunities and responsibilities. The role of the group is to be an advisory board to the steering group (Ledningsgruppen) with regards to gender discussions.

The first meeting involved brainstorming about measures to increase equality. The active prioritized measures that the department is working on are: i) **recruitment**, where they open several vacancies simultaneously, want to include more material in the brochure of each position to inform better, and will try to use the Chalmers network to help couples settling here; and ii) start a **career seminar** inviting women to speak about pursuing a career in academia. Some other ideas that are not prioritized include organizing a workshop on gender bias for both PhD students and Professors. A mentor program was considered complicated and discarded. During the meeting we discussed how such programs can be beneficial and if we would like to bring them up again to the meeting.

- **ESP update**

Mathias updates the board about the ESP current development. The pilot is ready for testing during the spring. The ESP committee role is no longer clear. Due to the delays some people in the committee have graduated and thus cannot continue further. Nevertheless, if it continues, CPPC needs to appoint a new representative next year.

6 Action plan and task distribution

Due to lack of time only a quick overview to the tasks was made. We will leave this point for the next meeting. This year we will work on maturing the projects started last year. The fast overview included a calendar made by Andrea and Adriana to schedule all the main tasks during the year and a quick description of the CPPC Box files.

7 Other matters

No other matters were raised.