

CPPC board meeting 2019-11-11

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1 Opening

The meeting was opened by Gustav. Nitesh was made secretary.

2 Agenda

The agenda was approved by the board.

3 Follow up of last meeting

- Nitesh has access to CPPC website and will work soon to update things. FFF has a page in insidan and will be replaced with CPPC.
- Mikael says we should follow MC2 webpage to form CPPC site in insidan. Gustav will look at MC2 webpage and make suggestions on forming CPPC site.
- FFF autumn event is scheduled on 14 November and we can advertise about CPPC and general assembly.

4 DS workshop

DS outreach was attended by Nitesh and Mathias, which was mainly conducted to improve the communication between DS and local PhD councils. Some ideas like arranging fika across all divisions and mentioning about local councils in department newsletters were

discussed. DS chat was introduced which is similar to slack to discuss about different topics under channels. DS board encouraged all local councils to start using DS chat for communication to reduce email conversations. Nitesh mentioned some key points discussed in the previous DS board meeting.

- There are few PhD courses across Chalmers compared to other Nordic Universities.
- Supervisor of the year invites nomination now
- No PhD student will have same examiner and supervisor from 1 January 2020.

5 Introduction day

Gustav will make a presentation to present on introduction day at the department (28 November). Need to decide what should be presented. Board suggested to mention what do we do, what have we've done, showing the homepage, evaluation of GTS courses, some important contact details, one slide on FFF, mention DOMB and DS guild, about ping pong table and sauna. Mathias will start working on making power point. Sara will criticize it and help with ppt.

6 GTS evaluation

Gustav and Sara attended the meeting to present GTS survey representing physics PhD students. Many people complained about career planning course. Registration process is bit dissatisfactory. Career planning has negative comments opinioned to be far from hands-on. Career planning can be thought by industry recruitment person. People wanted to learn how to make a good CV and linkedin account as a part of career planning. Another one, sustainable development found to be laborious, and irrelevant to many fields of studies. Some suggested to get credits for doing Swedish language courses. GTS evaluation is monitored by Chalmers.

7 General assembly (GA)

Adrianna was asked to join CPPC and didn't got reply yet. Gustav will sent out general assembly (GA) announcement to physics PhD students. Mikael says agenda has be sent out with call for GA. Annual report of our activities need to include what we intend to do and what we have done. Mikael can draft the agenda for GA. Gustav will send the call about GA with agenda. Plan of operations and electing the board, nomination committee and auditors. Since Sara, Nitesh and Mathias are interested in reelection, the board needs to find two or three candidates for the board, including the next chair. The present board will form a election committee and also recruit auditors. Nomination committee will have two people and have a duty for finding people for the next board. Matthew was suggested by Gustav to be elected to the nomination committee. Mikael and Nitesh will ask thier colleagues for nomination. Mikael says there was a Chemical Physics PhD student who was willing to join, and if we only have four candidates from different divisions, then he could be nominated. Gustav will make draft of annual report and share with the board for approval and it could be simple draft to put within a page.

8 Other matters

Mikael spoke with Jonathan Weidow and he seemed to be positive about implementing teaching hours in ESP. Mathias will start working with ESP and he will attend the meeting before end of this year.

9 Next meeting

The next CPPC meeting will be held on the 16th of December, 11.00 in F5002. The new board members will be invited to this meeting.