

# CPPC board meeting 2020-09-01

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**Participants to the meeting** Adriana Canales, Mathias Hoppe, Sara Nilsson, Nitesh Raj Jaladurgam. Konstantinos Papadopoulos was absent.

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## 1 Opening

The meeting was opened by Sara. Mathias was made secretary.

## 2 Establish agenda

The proposed agenda was approved by the board.

## 3 Follow up on previous meeting

- Sara has received a reply from Lena about the introduction day which will be discussed in 5.

## 4 Outcome of the “corona-talks” at the divisions

- More contact with supervisors in some cases (better supervision, or not changed)
- Informal meetings are lacking
- Some people have poor working conditions at home (physically/ergonomically, people/children around them)
- It was suggested to put cameras in labs for fast, informal discussions

- Sara will draft an email to students to “keep up the good work” and encourage them to reflect on their work situation.

## 5 Introduction day

- (Lena emailed Sara at the beginning of summer about the intro day)
- Will be held on October 12th at 10.30-12.00.
- Possibly on-site, but probably via Zoom.
- Lena seems positive to the suggestion of splitting the intro day into two half-days where new PhD students visit the different divisions and get an overview of them.
- **Sara will contact Lena and ask about the most recent plans for the intro meeting.**
- The two intro half-days could be held on Zoom with presentations. Possible with breakout room socialization discussions for students? **Sara will send these suggestions to Lena for further feedback.**

## 6 Topics for the autumn

- A follow-up on the DS mental health webinar will be held. The original idea was to make hold it on-site, but considering the circumstances it will be instead be held online. Some advertising support from CPPC could be helpful. **We should contact Helen about putting information about this webinar on the Physics TV screens.**
- **Contact the PhD student equality group and get updated on their work.**
- Mathias mentioned that several international students have complained that it can be difficult to get sufficient teaching as a non Swedish-speaker. Since the department would like to raise the average level of teaching for PhD students to 14% as part of the EiB (Ekonomi i Balans) plan, not being able to let non Swedish-speakers teach could negatively affect the plan or could lead to an uneven burden of teaching falling on those students who speak Swedish. **Sara will contact Jakob Welanders about the teaching possibilities for non Swedish-speaking students.**
- **Sara will talk to Anna about when hours obtained for teaching and departmental duties are “final”.**

## 7 Other matters

No other matters were brought up.

## 8 Next meeting

The next CPPC board meeting will be held on the 1st of October at 15.00.