

CPPC board meeting 2025-06-10

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1 Opening

The meeting was opened by Athanasios at 11:00. Esmée was made secretary.

2 Agenda

The current agenda was approved by the board.

3 Next meeting

The next CPPC board meeting will be held July 4th. The one after that will be held August 21st.

4 Follow up on previous CPPC meeting - Minutes

- See sections 5 and 6 for a more specific follow-up on projects and other meetings.

5 Project follow-up

(i) FFF

- The date has been set for the general assembly (GA), the 24th of June.
- SEE has found a member, so the next FFF board should contain the full four members.
- There are some issues with the emailing system. Because today is two weeks before the date of the GA, the invitation to the GA must be sent out today (either from the emailing system if it is fixed, or Sofia will send it out). At least 10 people need to attend.

(ii) Buddy system

- One new student started. Has been assigned a buddy.
- There are currently enough buddies for all new students starting in the fall.

(iii) Course Survey

- Will be distributed when finalized.

(iv) Equality council

- Esmée filled in for Mirna. The main topic of the meeting was employee survey results.
- Offered to spread the information about the Norndip conference from the CPPC email account, in addition to the other communication channels where it will be spread.
- Dr Genie is working on two documents relevant for PhD students. One about different “layers” of support surrounding a PhD student and a contact flow chart in case of harassment. Asked for CPPC to receive a copy of these when they are done, such that we could, e.g., help distribute them to new PhD students.

(v) Other updates

- None

6 Updates from other meetings

(i) Institutionsrådsmöte (advisory board meeting)

- There has been a council but Oliver missed it due to illness.

7 Other matters

- The regulation of working hours in connection with beam time was raised. Usually, attending a beam time entails very long working days. PhD students at Chalmers have non-regulated working hours (“förtroendearbetstid”) so should be able to compensate for this when returning home from the beam time, without having to take out vacation days. Different PIs seems to have different opinions and practices regarding this matter, so it should perhaps be clarified.

8 Closing

The meeting was closed by Athanasios at 11:47.