

MC2 PhD council minutes - 2026/03/05

Time: 12:00

Place: C511

Present: Zeidan Zeidan, Matilda Öjmertz, Núria Alcalde Herraiz, Aditi Singth, Malte Dornieden, Hanna Karlsson-Fernberg,

Excused: Isak Lyngfelt, Patrik Blomberg, Lakshminarayan Sharma, Lucian Petrisor Ion,

Election of meeting officials

- **Chair:** Núria Alcalde-Herraiz
- **Secretary:** Núria Alcalde Herraiz
- **Minutes adopter:** Hanna Karlsson-Fernberg

2. **Approval of the agenda:** Yes
3. **Meeting notice in due order:** Yes

4. Updates from boards and committees

- **Executive board (Ledningsgruppen, LG) – Zeidan Zeidan**
 - Contract signed with Yata by MC2 and physics.
- **Advisory board (Institutionsrådet) – Isak Lyngfeldt**
 - Not present.
- **Doktorandsektionen (DS) – Lucian Petrisor/Isak**
 - Help international PhD students with housing. How did the contact with SU go? Has Pernilla Hellström been contacted?
 - Midterm salary increase report
 - * Isak: No news on the salary, they changed the meeting to 16/3 (which he was unable to join).
- **Föreningen för Forskarstuderande i Fysik (FFF) – Malte Dornieden**
 - RISE visited happened next week, possibly it will happen again.
 - Next: AstraZeneca company visit.
 - 22nd of April a mingle event to show upcoming master student students to do a PhD. New information via email will be sent soon.
 - PhD extensions are also an issue in Physics.
- **Equality group (Jämställdhetsgruppen, Jägr) – Matilda Öjmertz, Achintya Paradkar**
 - On menstrual leave. No updates. Email to be sent soon on the current resources.

-Neurodiversity workshop is to be held on the 20th of April together with the Physics and Astronomy department. More information soon. See how the workshop is attended and see what else can be implemented after that.

- **Dr Genie – Matilda Öjmertz**

- Meeting with the new DOMB on the 17th of February.
 - * Appreciated among the attendees
 - * Email with the presentation sent to all PhDs
- Update on Resource Map integration into ISP meetings.
 - * Physics did it last week, waiting to see how it went.
 - * Has Per Lundgren been contacted to discuss implementing the Resource Map into ISP meetings? The Resource Map will be included in the “initial pack” of all the information about the PhD. It will be asked during the ISP if there has been a discussion between PhD and supervisor about it.
 - * To be included in the department's introduction.

5. Other issues

- Maria wants to meet with the council more often (twice a year). Planned meeting in May?
- Meeting with Deputy Head of Department, Microtechnology and Nanoscience Victor Torres Company & Per Lundgren:
 - Think about what we discuss in beginning, if we want to elevate quality of research, which we have the potential to do, what from our perspective would we like to see to achieve this goal?
 - Gather some positive feedback, what works?
 - Good infrastructure, cleanroom access, technicians (support and openness) that help fix machines and make the cleanroom function well.
 - * Departmental duties add a third table to include the time for optimizing material, fixing tools, deliveries crucial to your PhD...
 - Make sure that there are no conflicting relationships between supervisor/co-supervisor/examiner.
 - Supervisor-to-student tailored experiences. Funding can also affect the PhD quality as it may involve extra deliveries to those of the PhD.
 - High administrative workload is often dumped on PhDs.
 - Generally good resources and support structures in place.
 - Nice events to enhance cohesiveness in the department as Wednesday's fikas.

6. Actions to take by next meeting:

7. **Next meeting:** 15/4 -26

8. **Closing of the meeting**