

KTH Fysik

# Department of Physics Management Group meeting

Monday 26th Sep 2022, 12.00 – 14.00, A5:1003

**Participants:** Pär O, Mattias B, Jonas S, Jens B, Daniel Q, Mats P replacing Mats D, Jennie E, Sevostian B, Josefin L, Pavel K, Tommy O

**Apologies:** Mats D

# Agenda

#### News

- Work on walking bridge to Nova soon to start.
  - Offices in A3 and A2 will be affected, and we can expect significant construction noise during w 40-41 (3/10-17/10).
  - Aphys/BIOX has asked us to help out with temporary relocation of some PhD students (corridor A2).
  - SU has asked if we KTH help out with B5 (former course exp)
- New prefekt at Aphys: Prof Carlota Canalias. We look forward to working with her in this capacity!
- ÅBU is about to go through it's update cycle. Request to verify publications in DiVA will come out in the near term.
- KTH Innovation prize of 2022 goes to Janne Wallenius. Warm congrats Janne!

#### • Professor promotion applications

- As in previous years, the school will convene a local committee for any associate professor aiming to submit an application for promoting to professor in Jan 2023.
- Intention needs to be declared to Pär before 3/10

## • Salary discussions

- Discussions with the faculty is completed.
- All divisions have completed the salary discussions.

#### Administration overhaul

- No updates since last prefekt council meeting.
- Next meeting on 3/10: Theme HR. We are asked in advance:
  - What support is needed for prefekt or project leader?
  - What works well?
  - What can be improved?
  - What is missing?
- After management group discussion, Pär will forward the suggestion on HR having accessible centralized support for broader competence within specific matters such as international recruitments and contact with other government agencies, notably Migrationsverket.
- Tommy raised the issue on accurate accounting of the activity levels for PhD students.
   Further discussion will continue with the physics administration and Tommy to create a functional routine.

#### KAW Fellow call

- Eligible: PhD after 1/1 2014
  - "Lärosätena ska garantera att de utvalda forskarna kommer att ha relevanta tjänster vid lärosätet."
- Deadline to KTH: 3/10 then internal committee selects who can apply
- Deadline to KAW: 15/2 202

#### Faculty renewal status

- First recruitment meeting for condensed matter theory held.
  - Shortlist of 5 candidates to invite (with 2 reserves) has been established.
  - Next step is visit to department, test lectures and interviews. This will take place on 14-15/11.
- Experimental particle physics ad prolonged two weeks until 3/10. Prolonging results in delayed administration. Relevant HR question. Meeting on decision on prolonging, near October.

### • Faculty/staff meetings

- A meeting regarding the administrative overhaul to be planned. Proposed time in December (so we will know more and have a new president in place December 1<sup>st</sup>)
- Two meetings regarding teaching:
  - Collegial teaching meeting. Detailed discussion topics prepared by Tommy
    - October 27<sup>th</sup>
  - Teaching conditions. Planning, time, models, etc. Pär & Tommy, Mattias arranges.
    - Next management group meeting 24/10.

Tommy will check the possibly for the IT department to participate for discussion on developing digitalized teaching.

## • Outreach (Josefin)

- The outreach group is currently evaluating the summer job positions for students. Josefin will be able to present the notes once settled.
- The Physics department will participate in an event for top high schoolers within physics on November 25<sup>th</sup> with an exhibition Josefin urges the management group to send in idéas or suggestions for the exhibition.

### • JML (Josefin)

 Meeting with JML group in a couple of weeks. Josefin will give update next management group meeting.

## • Undergraduate education (Tommy)

 Tommy has had individual discussions with the department regarding teaching and will send out the staffing schedule for teaching to all concerned.

## • **Ph.D. programme** (Mattias)

- The new general study program has been issued with the student council. Possible to submit it to the school.
- Three planned dissertations during October:
  - Vlasta Valan, Astro particle
  - Fredrik Grönberg, Medical imaging
  - Qigui Yang Nuclear Engineering.

### • Ph.D. student representative (Elina/Daniel)

 Meeting in the afternoon discussing reducing carbon emission when travelling to conferences.

## • Physics administration (Jennie)

- New HR administrator, Liza Sjöstedt.
- Several new staff members to the physics administration in a short period. Jennie urged the management group to contact her if there are any questions or thoughts.

#### News or issues from Divisions

• Nothing to report.

## • Personnel news

• Researcher, applied nuclear physics (Bo), S-2021-1767, Kaur starting soon.

- Postdoc, astronomy, research in supernovas (Josefin), S-2022-0578, Sophie Rosu, starting
   1/10
- Researcher, applied nuclear physics (Bo), S-2022-1237, status?
- Assistant, medical imaging (Mats P), S-2022-1198, status?
- Postdoc, astronomy (Josefin), S-2022-1230, status?
- Assistant, medical imaging (Mats P), (S-2022-1377), Thomas Östervall, Zaid Akrawi recruited.
- Research engineer, medical imaging (Mats P), (S 2022-1410), Sara Saberi Moghadam Tehrani recruited.
- Postdoc, astro particle (Tommy O), (S 2022-1578), deadline 2022-10-17.
- Postdoc, astro particle (Sandhya), (S 2022-1586), deadline 2022-10-31.