

DPF Executive Committee Meeting

December 6, 2011

Via phone

Attending: Patty McBride, Chip Brock, Pierre Ramond, Jonathan Rosner, Alice Bean, David Saltzberg, Kevin Pitts, Kate Scholberg, Jonathan Feng, Marj Corcoran with Ian Shipsey, Yuri Gershtein, Nikos Varelas

Agenda and minutes

1. Report from Chair (Patty McBride):
 - Kate Scholberg has agreed to be the DPF EC point person organizing the student travel grants for the April '12 APS meeting.
 - The EC needs to get suggestions for APS journal Editors in soon.
 - FY12 budget: APS still is unsure what will happen with the end of year flurries of legislations. There might be an omnibus bill, but things will start happening quickly
 - There is some legislation that may take away the anonymity of peer reviews of grants which should be watched.
2. Report from DPF Taskforce on Instrumentation – Ian Shipsey
Names for the new advisory committee have been submitted and a selection will happen soon. Suggestions for the members of the committee are being solicited and people contacted.
3. DPF brochure – Marj Corcoran
There are now representatives chosen from the users committees and will be a meeting next week of the group. Univ. of Chicago will have people who can help design the brochure and an estimate of costs soon.
4. 2012 April APS meeting – Jon Rosner
The organization is in good shape. The official invited speakers letters go out from APS Dec. 9 and responses are expected by Dec 23. There is a session for the dissertation award winners to speak on Tuesday. There will be a reception and DPF business meeting to be scheduled as well.
5. February EC meeting in Gainesville – Pierre Ramond
February 4, 2012 has been chosen for a one day meeting of the EC in Gainesville, FL. Expectations are for people to travel to the meeting on Feb 3 and depart on Feb 5. Pierre will send more details soon.
6. Community Planning/Snowmass Meeting
The Intensity Frontier Workshop (just passed) provided a nice organizational framework for discussions. This model will be followed for the Community Planning meeting during the Fall of 2012. Potential dates were discussed and Patty will check with FNAL to host the meeting in October. There will be 4 umbrella groups: Intensity Frontier, Energy Frontier, Cosmic Frontier, and Instrumentation/Technology (which will include accelerator issues). Pierre Ramond will flesh out more details to be discussed at the Feb 2012 EC meeting. The goal will be to discuss what decisions could best be leveraged at Snowmass in 2013. The dates and locations for the Snowmass 2013 were discussed and Jon Rosner is following up on this planning.

7. AOB

- Yuri Gershtein has made a facebook prototype and will begin to roll it out soon
- A support letter was provided to support the grant proposal to study HEP demographics
- The new APS fellows should be advertised and congratulated.
- The outgoing members of the EC were thanked for their efforts.