

**Minutes of Annual General Meeting,
Canadian Institute of Nuclear Physics,
June 9 2010 1:45 pm, Bahan Building rm 1220**
prepared by Roby Austin in the absence of Paul Garrett

In Attendance

Kumar Sharma, Gerald Gwinner, Ted Mathie, René Roy, Barry Davids, Jean-Michel Poutissou, Willem T.H. van Oers, Jeff Martin, Michael Gericke, Svetlana Barkanova, Krzysztof Starosta, Corina Andreoiu, Roby Austin, Art Olin, John Behr, Zisis Papandreou, George Lolos, Charles Gale, Adam Garnsworthy, Jean Barrette, Sangyong Jeon, William E. Kieser

1 Agenda

Motion to Approve the Agenda: B. Davids, seconded by Willem T.H. van Oers

1. Approval of the Agenda
2. Financial Report
3. Activities of the CINP
 - (a) Institutional Members
 - (b) Board of Directors
 - (c) SWG Chairs
 - (d) Membership Report
 - (e) Comments by SWG Chairs
 - (f) Sponsored meetings and activities
 - (g) Suggestions for future activities and directions
4. Announce the session: Reports on the LRP for Nuclear Physics, Thursday 10th June 15:45 to 17:30, Bahan 1200, University of Toronto
5. Other Business
6. Adjourn

2 Financial Report

Kumar Sharma presented a report on the finances prepared by Paul Garrett (Secretary-Treasurer, not in attendance). The dues collection from the institutions is not running perfectly, but K.S. and P.G. are continuing their efforts in this regard. The annual audit of the finances is in progress.

3 Activities of the CINP

3.1 Membership

Kumar Sharma proceeded to report on the CINP membership. The CINP members are drawn from 16 institutions, not all of whom are institutional members. Further institutional members are being actively sought. Further members are being actively sought. There are 68 full and associate CINP members. Kumar Sharma is exhorting members to encourage their students and postdocs to join.

3.2 Report on the Board of Directors

The election to replace the members of the CINP board of Directors whose terms have expired (Kumar Sharma and Zisis Papandreou) is underway.

3.3 Reports from the Chairs of the Scientific Working Groups.

3.3.1

Barry Davids (Chair, Scientific Working Group on Nuclear Astrophysics) announced a Canadian Workshop on Nuclear Astrophysics and Stellar Physics, at TRIUMF December 9/10 2010. It is hoped that this meeting will launch TRIUMF as a centre for nuclear astrophysics research interacting with stellar physics research along the lines of JINA in the US.

3.3.2

Gerald Gwinner (Chair, Scientific Working Group on Physics Beyond the Standard Model) announced a Workshop on Fundamental Symmetries at

TRIUMF July 9/10 2010 (after the INPC). Furthermore, the chair proposed changing the name of the group to the “Scientific Working Group on Fundamental Symmetries” and found no opposition to the proposal in the room. There were not sufficient members present to pass such a proposal. He will pursue the action through email.

Gerald Gwinner also brought to the attention of the CINP membership that the website is in need of work. He is in the process of improving the content and expects to have completed that by the end of the summer.

3.3.3

Corina Andreoiu (Chair, Scientific Working Group on Education and Training) requested that members provide her with numbers regarding their training of HQP for the LRP. She reminded the membership that the data on training included in the previous LRP provided one of the most powerful arguments for the increased funding of our field. She also encouraged members to join the Education and Training working group, stating that it is essential to recruit and retain good students.

Some discussion followed regarding exactly what data will be solicited from the membership and how. Kumar Sharma reminded those present that a request for information had already been sent out. It is hoped that some hard data regarding grants allocated and HQP training in the past can be gleaned from the NSERC form 100’s, provided by NSERC themselves.

3.3.4

Kris Starosta (Chair, Scientific Working Group on Nuclear Structure) stated that he was expecting to spend a great amount of time preparing the nuclear structure brief and requested that emails sent to members receive prompt attention.

3.3.5

Charles Gale (Chair, Scientific Working Group on QCD and Hadronic Physics) announced a meeting on Workshop on QCD and EM in Nuclear Physics and encouraged people to register. He stated that the LRP is very important and that the membership of the CINP should “hang together”. He also encouraged members to consider the IPP as a place to find members, as the two memberships are complementary.

3.4 Sponsored Meetings and Activities of the CINP

The NSERC Long-Range Planning activities are ramping up. As this was one of the primary motivations behind the creation of the CINP, these activities are tremendously important.

The other activities of the CINP include making a presentation at the NSERC Large Project Day, and participating as an observer at TRIUMF ACOT Meetings and the NRC International Review of the TRIUMF 5-year plan.

3.5 Suggestions for future activities

The CINP is expecting to begin searching for an executive director in the next year. Now that Chairs are in place for all SWG's we anticipate more activities from those groups. We are always welcome to hear from the CINP membership what we need to do to make the community better.

4 NSERC Long-Range Plan

Kumar Sharma reminded the membership that the next Long-Range planning process has been launched. He reported that Malcolm Butler had described the process and sequence of events at the earlier session. Briefs will be prepared by the IPP and CINP (only). A reminder was issued to everyone to attend the meeting on Thursday afternoon (June 10, Bahan Building 1200, 15:45–17:30). Members are asked to get constructively involved very early on and to exhort their colleagues to do the same.

There will be a Town Hall meeting early in September. Kumar Sharma will distribute the information shortly. John Behr requested that the meeting support virtual attendance.

Members are reminded to pay careful attention to emails with LRP in the subject line. Both the CINP and CAP DNP mailing lists are being used as Kumar Sharma has elected not to discriminate against people who are not (yet) bona fide members of the CINP.

5 Other Business

Willem van Oers noted that the CAP DNP has a membership of 128 and CINP is 68; where are the other 60? We do not have access to the DNP membership list, but it is believed that the requirement to submit a CV acts as a deterrent to people applying for membership in the CINP. There is no intention nor is there any desire to reduce that requirement.

6 Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn moved by Barry Davids and seconded by Willem van Oers.