

2001 CAP Congress
University of Victoria
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Annual Meeting
of the
Division of Particle Physics

Minutes

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Activities

- See the slide for details of the report
- The organization of the PPD sessions went smoothly
- Three proposals were put forward by the Chair:
 - 1) Support conferences?
 - 2) Set up a Particle Physics thesis prize?
 - 3) Improve membership? (see extra slide and below)
- The main comments were:
 - 1) Can only be very small, hence not significant
 - 2) By far much preferred, had been proposed a few years back, addresses the students (who can't belong to IPP), would also have a large awareness impact, strongly recommended
A proposal draft can be found on the next page
 - 3) Encourage your colleagues to personally join PPD

Finances

See slide: ~560\$ net per year income.

Membership

See slide: less than one-third of the combined IPP and PPD communities are members of both.

Election

See slide for the procedure followed. Manuela Vincter (Alberta) was unanimously elected as new PPD Vice-Chair. Scott Menary (York) was thanked as Past-Chair and Tom Mattison (UBC) is the new Chair.

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none

PPD Thesis Prize (proposal draft)

A thesis prize should be set up and awarded yearly at the CAP Congress to the particle physics student having submitted the best Ph.D. thesis in the previous calendar year.

Goals

- Encourage students in the field
- Promote awareness of their work
- Further advertise activities of the groups to the community

Rules

- 1) The thesis must have been submitted at the local university during the previous calendar year
- 2) The date is the official university internal submission date .. (please somebody remind me of the best date and the proper wording for this!)
- 3) Submission to the PPD jury should occur by the end of February
- 4) A letter by the thesis supervisor should accompany the submission.
- 5) There should be at least five (5) submitted thesis for the prize to be given.
- 6) Four (4) copies of the thesis should be submitted. (allow e-copy?)
- 7) The PPD jury of four (4) should be formed by the current Chair and the previous 3 Chairs, and be led by the current Past-Chair.
- 8) The prize (400\$?) would be awarded at the following Annual Meeting of the Division at the CAP Congress.
- 9) The winner should agree to attend the Congress if selected.
- 10) In case of a draw, the prize could be split at most in two.

Implementation Steps

- Check with CAP that this is possible and allowed (done)
- Circulate the draft among the members (September 2001)
- The PPD jury should collect all comments and corrections, and finalize this document (November 2001)
- The PPD jury should advertise to all members of the PPD and IPP communities (December 2001)