2014 Annual General Meeting of Individual Members

15-16 June 2014
Sudbury, Ontario
Agenda

• Adoption of Agenda
• Minutes of 2013 IPP AGM:
  https://indico.triumf.caconferenceDisplay.py?confId=1668
• Matters Arising to be addressed in Director’s Report
SUNDAY
13:00 Introduction (10min) Roney
13:10 Compute Canada - upcoming competition (10+5min) O’Neill
13:25 News From CINP and Interest in Joint CREATE Grant Huber
13:45 SNO+ (15+5 min) Chen
14:05 SuperCDMS (15+5 min) Rau
14:25 Belle II (15+5 min) Robertson
14:45 ATLAS (15+5 min) Teuscher
15:05 BREAK
15:20 EXO-WIPP (15+5 min) Graham
15:40 VERITAS (15+5 min) Hanna
16:00 BaBar (8+2min) Hearty
16:10 PiENU (8+2min) Bryman
16:20 HEPNET (8+2min) Sobie
16:30 PICASSO-PICO (15+5 min) Krauss
16:50 T2K (15+5 min) Tanaka
17:10 DEAP (15+5 min) Boulay
17:30 END OF SUNDAY SESSIONS

MONDAY
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8:30 SAPES Chair, TRIUMF, SNOLAB
10:10 BREAK
10:30 IPP Director’s Report & Council Election Results Roney, Bailey
11:00 ALPHA (12+3 min) Fujiwara
11:15 Moller Experiment at JLAB (12+3 min) Gericke
11:30 HALO (8+2 min) Virtue
11:40 ICECUBE (12+3 min) Grant
11:55 Review of Canadian Theory Activities (15+5 min) Itay
12:15 Potential IPP Roles for Support of Theory Community (10 min) Morrissey- remote
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Introductory Comments

J. Michael Roney
IPP Director
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Goals of 2014
Town Hall Component

• Inform members of developments of interest to IPP
• Provide forum to establish and/or refresh professional relationships amongst members:
  – Encourage awareness of status of IPP Projects and scientific opportunities
• Encourage discussions, formally and informally, on role of IPP and the Research Scientists
  – Guide IPP Council: what are priorities of members; and do members value
• Consider potentially new initiatives, including approaches to funding
• Reinforce excellent relationship with CINP
Some Recent Developments of Interest to IPP

NSERC has allocated funding for the subatomic physics community to develop its next Long Range Plan:

– to cover the period 2017-2021
– to be launched in early 2015
– Long Range Plan Committee (LRPC) will be established by the spring of 2015
– Consultation process of the community is expected to start in the spring/summer 2015 through calls to the CINP and IPP to prepare briefs that should be submitted by the fall of 2015
– LRPC to then lead the consultation of the community up to the summer of 2016
– The LRPC will be asked to submit its report to NSERC by the end of 2016

• Meeting on Friday with Gilles Patry (CFI CEO) - expressed an interest in having CFI participating in some manner, e.g. a Q&A session where LRPC could interact with CFI
  – learned that CFI distributes our current LRP to their SAP evaluators
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  - **Genuine opportunity for IPP since we push various technologies – detectors, ‘big data’, networks, etc**
  - **IPP wants multi-institutional initiatives to be favoured in parameters**
  - **We need to engage our university Presidents and VPRs on this over the next months**
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Early 2014 Industry Canada launched Science and Technology Consultation to update the Government of Canada's 2007 Science and Technology Strategy which set four research priorities “in areas where Canada can leverage research strengths to achieve a competitive advantage”:

- environmental science and technologies
- natural resources and energy
- health and related life sciences and technologies
- information and communications technologies

• Now under review and recently appointed Minister of State (Science and Technology) Ed Holder keenly interested in this

• Opportunity for IPP to provide input to the updated priorities
  - letter from IPP Director contributed to the web-based consultation in February
  - Subatomic Physics is a demonstrably strong research strength in Canada (eg CCA panel’s report on our citation record)
  - Need to work to ensure we see ourselves in one of the updated priorities
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• U.S. Community has now received the outcome of the P5 process:
  http://science.energy.gov/hep/hepap/meetings/
  – Please study this as it provides the U.S. roadmap
    and is already having an impact on IPP members
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  – They understand
    “What good is a baby?”
Potential Joint CINP-IPP CREATE Grant

One outcome of Feb. Charest visit: we were encouraged to consider using the NSERC Collaborative Research and Training Experience (CREATE) program for subatomic physics

Garth Huber will address this further in his talk this morning; follow-up tomorrow by Adam Ritz

• Pressure on SAP envelope is extreme, even with injection of new funds
• IPP and CINP are seeking ways to relieve some of that pressure
• CREATE may provide a mechanism to do so:
  – Awards are up to $150k for year 1, $300k for years 2-6, with a maximum grant total of $1.65M. No less than 80% of the CREATE grant must be spent on trainee salaries; the other 20% can include travel, training materials, program administrator salary, etc.
  – “Should focus on providing an enriched training experience for graduate (master’s and doctoral) students”. But undergraduates and postdocs can also be included
  – Example of how this might benefit IPP members:
    • fund a year of an existing PhD student (or Postdoc) under the conditions that the individual work at another institution for some time and would participate in specialized training program (e.g. choice of accelerator or detector technologies training, or a component intended to transition people into the private sector, or training – as student (or instructor/tutor for postdoc) - in a SAP school such as TRISEP); consider funding IPP Summer Students as an add-on
  – This could be a mechanism for providing a year’s HQP support that might otherwise come from faculty member’s Discovery or Project Grants
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• CREATE is intended to generate an experience focused on providing something above and beyond what is provided in conventional the university training environment to better prepare the research trainees for their future careers

• 60% CREATE funds reserved for strategic areas (environmental science and technologies; natural resources and energy; manufacturing; and Information and communications technologies). 50% must be in Industrial Stream (i.e. have private sector partner providing internship)

• It is in the limited non-strategic and non-industrial category that we would be applying (unless we succeed in having subatomic physics activities included within a new S&T Strategy)

Monday’s session Adam Ritz, who has recent experience at UVic with a submission, will give a presentation to help guide discussion
• We’ll hear about how our colleagues research is progressing and their plans for the future
• Consider opportunities further collaboration between individuals and projects
• Think and talk about:
  – Your own future research interests
  – What your priorities are for IPP, what is valued
    • RS Program; conference support; summer student program; …
  – Ideas for new funding sources for IPP
  – Share them with Council members (David Hanna, Doug Gingrich, Peter Krieger, Wolfgang Rau, Hiro Tanaka, Oliver Stelzer-Chilton, Michael Roney)
• This meeting serves as the start of our own discussions and internal consultations for the next Long Range Plan