

## **DPF Executive Committee Meeting**

At Gainesville, Florida

**Feb. 5, 2011**

**DPF EC:** Patty McBride, Chip Brock, Pierre Ramond, Jonathan Rosner, Alice Bean (via skype), David Saltzberg (via skype), Kevin Pitts, Kara Hoffman (via skype), Jonathan Feng, Lynne Orr (via skype), Kate Scholberg

**Guests:** Dave Cutts, Meenaakshi Narain (Brown Univ)

### **Agenda and minutes**

#### 1. Chair's Intro

Patty discussed the agenda, committees and awards. She thanked Pierre for hosting the meeting and Chip for his tremendous service last year.

#### 2. Comments from Past Chair: Chip Brock

- Try to figure out how active DPF is going to be. Is just the DPF EC engaged or more people.
- The online newsletter is a good idea but probably need a paper version once/year.
- He strongly suggests that have DPF be a bigger part of high energy planning process and not just rely on P5.
- Could ICFA work on public document that DPF would review?
- Do we want a public relations person to talk to Congress, etc? Discussion proceeded on what this person would do and how effective it might be. APS unit convocation and Herman White is with FNAL UEC planning congressional visits. DPF should coordinate with them. Should we connect with URA?

#### 3. Secretary/Treasurer Report: Alice Bean

- Last financial report Nov 2010 with \$165K left in the account.
- The minutes from the last DPF EC are on the APS website.
- She gave a history of approximate income (\$30K/year) and obligations (depends on how much DPF2011 and Snowmass). The typical obligations are about \$20K/year.

#### 4. DPF 2011 Planning: Ulrich Heintz, Dave Cutts, Meenaashki Narain (Brown Univ)

- Showed the local organizing and program committees
- Schedule of the meeting was shown from Aug 9-Aug 13. The plenary meetings are mainly in the morning and the parallel are predominantly in the afternoon (except on Friday) and all will be located at the convention center. The public lecture, plenary on Friday, and sessions on Saturday will be at Brown.
- Website <http://brown.edu/DPF2011>
- They discussed the budget and cost per person. They are preparing proposals to Brown, DOE/NSF, and the DPF will help to bring down the registration cost.
- The detailed schedule was then discussed including how to select speakers
- A lepton collider and near future US program session was discussed and how to optimize the schedule.

#### 5. DPF Task Force on Instrumentation in High Energy Physics: Chip Brock

- The charge to the task force has been sent and agreed upon which has included the make up of the membership of the task force and meeting schedule.
- This document is available on the DPF newsletter site.

6. International/Other Issues:

- IUPAP is looking for direction on Astroparticle physics. The European Strategy group also is looking to collaborate with us.
- Should we endorse the Astrotronomy 2010 Decadal report?

7. April APS meeting: Pierre Ramond

- The program is basically done
- Thanks to Kara and the other sorters from Maryland.
- Should the EC act as a committee to help organize in the future? Should we have a policy?

8. Newsletter: David Saltzberg

- Now online at [DPFnewsletter.org](http://DPFnewsletter.org)
- Now known on Google, number of hits 500 after early January newsletter and also 5-10 hits/day normal.
- Need to keep info up to date.
- Suggests an annual letter from the outgoing chair sent via paper mail discussing the e-newsletter.

9: Speakers Bureau: Chip Brock

- He has written a request to the URA citing the popular Angels and Demons public outreach effort, requesting help in getting a person to help organize venues and also develop a speakers team to go out and give talks.
- Kevin and Chip are going to pursue ways of pushing this proposal.

10. HEP Demographics: Kate Scholberg

- She presented slides from the HEPAP Demography Committee which can be found at: <http://hepfolk.lbl.gov/census/reports/index.html>

11. Funding in 2011/2012

- The GOP house proposal to cut funding found at <http://chronicle.com/article/House-Republicans-Set-Deep/126249/> was discussed.

The following items were on the agenda however, minutes were not taken as Bean had to leave the meeting:

12. DPF Prizes and Awards

13. Lepton Colliders and Planning

14. Snowmass Workshop(s)