

Time: Thursday March 26, 2020, 16.03-17.28
Place: Zoom video conferencing
Present: 29 members + 1 other (attachment)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Emilia Kilpua, the president of the Finnish Physical Society, called the meeting in order and opened the meeting at 16.03. Emilia Kilpua shared the meeting documents (ActionReport2019.pdf, Budget.pdf, FPS_IUPAP_accounts.pdf, Agenda.pdf, Action_Plan2020_Draft.pdf, Slides.pdf) to the meeting participants via email on Thursday morning March 26, 2020.

2. APPOINTMENT OF THE MEETING CHAIR

Hannu Koskinen was appointed to chair the meeting.

3. APPOINTMENT OF THE MEETING SECRETARY

Matti Silveri was appointed to keep the minutes.

4. APPOINTMENT OF TWO MINUTES CHECKERS AND TWO VOTE COUNTERS

Eija Tuominen Paul Hoyer were called on to examine the minutes and count votes.

5. STATEMENT OF PROPER NOTICE AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

The meeting was convened in due order and declared quorate. The meeting has been rescheduled and the rescheduling has been announced on the webpages, twitter account, Facebook pages of the Finnish Physical Society and emailed through Physics Days secretary.

6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Agenda (attachment Agenda.pdf) was approved.

7. PRESENTATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT, ACCOUNTS AND THE AUDITOR'S REPORT

Emilia Kilpua presented the annual report, and the accounts & auditor's report (attachment FPS_IUPAP_accounts.pdf).

8. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND DISCHARGE OF THE BOARD AND OTHER ACTORS FROM LIABILITY FOR THE ACCOUNTS

The financial statement was approved. The Board and other actors were discharged from liability for the accounts.

9. APPROVAL OF THE ACTION PLAN FOR THE UPCOMING TERM

Emilia Kilpua presented the action plan (attachment Action_Plan2020.pdf). The action plan was approved.

10. DETERMINATION OF THE AMOUNTS OF THE MEMBERSHIP FEES

Emilia Kilpua presented the motion for membership fees: full member 65€, fellow member 65 €, student member (undergraduate) 20 €, senior 60 €, supporting 900 €.

The fees were determined accordingly. No fees are collected from honorary members.

11. DETERMINATION OF SALARIES AND OTHER REMUNERATION

Emilia Kilpua presented the motion: No salaries are paid to the Board members. The Board has the right to decide on the salaries and remuneration of the employees. The travel expenses of the Board members can be reimbursed only as an exception in justifiable cases. The item was determined accordingly.

12. APPROVAL OF THE BUDGET FOR 2020

Emilia Kilpua presented the budget for 2020 (attachment Budget.pdf). The budget with total loss of 5050 € was approved.

13. ELECTION OF THE BOARD CHAIR

Emilia Kilpua was elected chair.

14. ELECTION OF THE BOARD VICE CHAIR

Anu Kankainen was elected vice chair.

15. ELECTION OF THE BOARD MEMBERS

Nine (9) board members were elected. They are Lasse Laurson, Jack Lin, Hannakaisa Lindqvist, Jani-Petri Martikainen, Johannes Niskanen, Mikko Nissi, Johanna Närväinen, Daniel Price, and Matti Silveri.

16. ELECTION OF FINNISH NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF IUPAP MEMBERS

Elected: The chair, vice chair and the board members of the Finnish Physical Society, and nobody else.

17. ELECTION OF AN AUDITOR, OPERATIONS INSPECTOR AND VICE OPERATIONS INSPECTOR

Elected auditor: Arto Sopenen (KHT).

Elected operations inspector: Risto Nieminen.

Elected vice operations inspector: Kalle-Antti Suominen.

18. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FELLOW WORKING GROUP

The Fellow working group was established: Keijo Hämäläinen, Kalle-Antti Suominen and Päivi Törmä.

19. FUTURE OF THE FINNISH PHYSICAL SOCIETY

Emilia Kilpua presented the summary of the results of the membership survey and visions for the future of the Finnish Physical Society (attachment Slides.pdf). The future vision was greeted with general positive and supporting attitude.

The participants thanked the Board for organizing the survey and plan for the future of the Finnish Physical Society. Likewise, the Board thanked the active participants of the survey (N > 100). The discussion brought up the following points to be considered in Board: (a) Does the bylaws of the society need to be modernized or changed together with the other changes in the organization of the Board? (b) Could PhD students be included in the discounted membership fee category, and undergraduate students given an even more discounted (free?) membership fee.

20. OTHER BUSINESS

None

21. ADJOURNMENT

Hannu Koskinen closed the meeting at 17.28.

Signed by

Hannu Koskinen
chair of the meeting

Matti Silveri
secretary of the meeting

Eija Tuominen
examiner of the minutes

Paul Hoyer
examiner of the minutes