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CIM Board Meeting
DATUM: 2012-04-17

Tid: Tisdagen, 17 April 2012, kl.10.00
Plats: Rum 4371, Matematiska Institutionen, Ångströmlaboratoriet

Närvarande ledamöter:

David Sumpter (chair)	Professor
Kersti Hermansson (vice chair)	Professor
Gunilla Kreiss,	Professor
Warwick Tucker	Associate Professor
Mats Björklund	Professor
Johan Elf	Associate Professor
Ulf Lindström	Professor
Kristiaan Pelckmans	Assistant Professor

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Elisabeth Larsson	Associate Professor
Johan Tysk	Proffesor

Ärenden:

1. Opening of meeting, choice of justeringsperson.
2. CIM report 2011/12 (attachment 1)
3. Changes to budget 2012 (attachment 2)
4. New chairman for CIM (discussion)
5. Date for recruitment of the next PhD students
6. New aims and activities for 2013
7. Meeting close.

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Opening of meeting, choice of justeringsperson.

Beslut: Warwick Tucker is choosen as justeringsperson

§2 CIM report 2011/12 (attachment 1)

a) **Section 1 in report:** Emphasis on *facilitate* and *joint* research. CIM is not a research group by itself but to help start research



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projects and it has to be joined between mathematics sciences and other areas of science, which idea KoF liked a lot.

c) CoSy lunches are very popular attracting about 25 people every time.

d) Workshop Complex modeling, Convergence, and Uncertainty Quantification organized by CIM 4-5 June 2012 in Uppsala. One of the aims is to facilitate and probe for joint proposal in near future. Website of the workshop almost ready to be published. CIM welcomes ideas for future workshop and the idea for this year's workshop came from a discussion in the board.

e) CIM Consultancy. Cases (very broad in field) come usually by email. CIM graduate and undergraduate students from the Mathematics and Informatics department take part in the consultancy and get course credits for their work on the projects.

f) Employment of PhD students. Very good applications (wish for better candidates in Mathematics department) but overall a successful round of application.

Suggestions:

- The application and employment process from outside looked a bit random and confusing. There was no enough time to identify the candidates and projects.
- When positions are announced the potential candidates should contact supervisors and together decide on a PhD project.
- There should be a clear sign who wrote the project- the supervisor or the applicant. It is a plus if one can see the applicant's ideas and thoughts shining through the proposal.

g) Employment: Subject to funding, a total 15 PhD students and 2 post docs will be employed. The money that the faculty assigned is not enough to cover 15 PhD positions and they have to decide how to make that happen.

h) CIM website doesn't clearly show that CIM is related to Physics as to other fields. All board members take responsibility to make representation of their field and how it can be linked to CIM (department's (Physics, Biology, Chemistry etc) website linked to CIM with some text why CIM might be interesting way to go, etc).

§3 Changes to budget 2012 (attachment 2)

a) CIM is self supporting entity and the extra support from Mathematics department will stop. That will also mean that CIM will be covering the charges for rooms where people employed by CIM are sitting.



- b) **CIM money covering participation in conferences and workshops** are cut for this financial year with the argument that CIM is primarily for supporting researchers.

§4 New chairman for CIM (discussion)

- a) **The present chairman of the board would like to step down from the Chair position.** There are several strong candidates for a new chairperson of CIM. The composition of the board should reflect its interdisciplinary character.
- b) **New instructions will be written.** The board will write a shortletter to faculty, summing up the philosophy adopted so far and how that should be adapted in to the new instructions.

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Date for recruitment of the next PhD students

Beslut: 3 more PhD positions will be announced. Closing date for applications (end of March 2013) and finish the recruitment process end of May 2013.

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New aims and activities for 2013

Beslut: New board meeting (after the Summer 2012) will be scheduled to discuss this point.

Suggestion: Once in a while is good to have a longer meeting besides the short meetings that the board has. Good idea is to involve the students and the post docs in that discussion. Possible time is after the summer 2012. There are other international centers similar to CIM that might contribute in the discussion.

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Other Issues

Beslut: No other issues.



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