

FPP: Funding, Politics and Programmatic Working Group

Funding:

FY2014 Omnibus Appropriations Bill has passed Senate and House. This includes 570 M\$ for DOE-NP, specifically enough for a 22 Week RHIC run.

Politics:

DC Fly-in -- Paul has not heard anything new since the last time he contacted Marge Lynch when she said we should go sometime in Spring.

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Dear Professors Cerba, Calderon, and Haag:

Thank you for writing to me about your funding priorities for nuclear physics research and the Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider. I supported full funding for nuclear physics research and I am happy to inform you that the Fiscal Year 2014 Omnibus Appropriations bill includes the requested \$570 million for the Department of Energy's Nuclear Physics Activities. Within those funds, \$165.2 million has been appropriated specifically for RHIC, enough for a 22-week standalone run.

Once again, thank you for bringing your priorities to my attention and please continue to do so as we begin another round of appropriations work for Fiscal Year 2015. As the Representative for UC Davis, I will continue to be a strong advocate for your interests. Strong research programs are essential for maintaining the United States' position as a world leader in innovation and I look forward to working with you to continue supporting important, ongoing research projects.

Sincerely,

JOHN GARAMENDI
Member of Congress

MCO: Meeting, Communication, & Outreach Working Group

RHIC/AGS Users Meeting June 17-20, 2014 (Tuesday – Friday)

Conflicts:

5th International Particle accelerator conference in Dresden – Will lose many CAD people
Jet Summer School – Will have conflicts with Theorists

- Theme
- Poster
- Agenda
- Workshops

THEME:

Previous Themes:

2013 – Accelerating Discovery: A collider for hot science

2012 – The frontiers of RHIC Physics

2011 – The RHIC/eRHIC Long Range Plan

2010 – 90-50-10

2009 – The Emergent Frontier

2008 – Opening the window on QCD

2007 – From Solid Gold to Perfect Liquid

2006 – Renaissance for Discovery

2005 – An exciting beginning and a compelling future

2004 – The new state of user matters

Suggestions:

- A new look for RHIC: Sharpening the view of QCD
- A sharper look
- A Sharper Vision
- The new RHIC: High Luminosity, High Precision
- Taking a Deeper Look
- RHIC: Hotter, Deeper, Rarer

AGENDA:

Tuesday 17-June-2014: Workshops (Invite a theorist for each workshop)

Upgrades for the future program

--- Alex Schmah or Lijuan Ruan, John Haggerty, Eric Mantel (spelling?)

Newest quarkonia results

--- Daniel Kikola, *phenix convenor*, Peter Petresky

Nucleon Structure – focus on 500 GeV results --- Get people from outside RHIC

--- Ernst Sichtermann, *phenix convenor*, *theory convenor*

--- try to get two outside speakers

Bulk Properties

--- Shusu Shi, Ron Soltz, Swagato Mukherjee

Wednesday 18-June-2014: Workshops

15 GeV run – final BES results

--- Jeff Mitchell, Bill Llope, Marlene Nahrgang

Open heavy flavor

--- Yifei Zhang, Rachid Nouicer, *theory convenor*

dA and planning for pA, HE3-A

--- Fuqiang Wang, Anne Sickles, *theory convenor*

Contact the PHENIX SPEAKERS Bureau for PHENIX convenor spots

Thursday 19-June-2014 AM: Plenary Session

Status of Run14 – CAD

Status of Run14 – STAR

Status of Run14 – PHENIX

Non-RHIC Talk (Double Beta Decay or Cosmology)

AGS Physics Talk

Thesis Awards Presentations

Thesis Awards talk – I

Thesis Awards talk – II

Poster Session

Thursday PM: Plenary Session

Overview Talk – Where we are. Where we are going

DOE Report

NSF Report

Summary of STAR

Summary of PHENIX

Poster flash talk

Friday 20-June-2014 AM: Plenary Session

Upgrade STAR

Upgrade PHENIX

Upgrade CAD --- The latest designs for eRHIC

New Physics STAR

New Physics PHENIX

New Physics Theory

UEC Election Results - Paul