

Nuclear Physics Day

Visit to Capitol Hill, May 6th, 2013

The Visits

- 33 delegates from RHIC, 24 from FRIB, 7 from *JLAB* (all but 2 from Virginia)
- 91 visits to congressional offices
- 21 states were covered
- The “ask”: support the administrations budget for the Office of Nuclear Physics in the DOE’s Office of Science

Lessons Learned

- Don't expect too much organization from the top: the lobbyist were effective at setting up appointments but communication of strategy was largely driven by delegates and coordination amongst delegates had to be handled at the last minute (midnight Monday morning)// also, the RHIC info sheet was created essentially at the last minute
- Meetings last about 10-15 minutes and can sometimes include quite difficult questions
- We probably could have recruited a larger delegation: there is still benefit to talking to congress-people not on the relevant committees, they can bring the issue up with the other reps.
- Having phone meetings leading up to the visits where newbies can ask questions and old-hats can give advice is very important

Follow-up

- Emails will be composed to congressional contacts thanking them for the visits and reiterating the message
- We need to encourage users from important districts who didn't make it to DC to visit their local offices
- Continue to push the letter-to-the-editor writing campaign
- We will set up a phone meeting for next week

Users Meeting Update

Users Meeting

Workshops and Special Plenary Session		
Tuesday Morning	Non-equilibrium effects	Forward looking upgrades at RHIC
Tuesday Afternoon	p/d/e+A new data and future studies	RHIC and the spin of the proton
Wednesday Morning	U+U and Cu+Au shape studies at RHIC	Hard and heavy probes of the QGP
Wednesday Afternoon	Nuclear Physics at a Glance	
	RHIC Physics Program: Fundamental Sym's and Neutrinos: FRIB Physics Program: JLAB Physics Program: The Electron Ion Collider: Computation Nuclear Physics:	Berndt Muller need speaker Brad Sherril Rossi Patricia Thomas Ullrich need speaker

Workshop Organizers

Non-equilibrium effects:

Zhangbu Xu

Forward looking upgrades at PHENIX and STAR:

Cesar Luiz da Silva

Jim Thomas

Dick Majka

p/d/e+A new data and future studies

Adrian Dumitru

Cesar Luiz da Silva

Xiaodong Jiang

RHIC and the spin of the proton

Pibero Djawotho

Mickey Chiu

Xiaorong Wang

Jim Drachenberg

U+U and Cu+Au shape studies at RHIC

Hui Wang

Shengli Huang

Hard and heavy probes of the QGP

Ali Hanks

Helen Caines

Users Meeting

=====Thursday Plenaries=====

Welcome

The Future of RHIC and the Lab: Doon Gibbs (he has afternoon reserved...)

CAD Run 13 Report (*where do I send this request?*)

STAR Run 13 Report (*request sent to talks committee*)

PHENIX Run 13 Report (*request sent to speakers bureau*)

---break---

Thesis Award Presentations (Doon Gibbs or Berndt Mueller)

Flash Talks

RHIC Related Documentary Film Project (Mocsy)

-----Lunch-----

DOE Report (Hallman)

NSF Report

---break---

Summary of recent PHENIX Results (*request sent to speakers bureau*)

Summary of recent STAR Results (*request sent to talks committee*)

Summary of recent results from the LHC (*speaker needed*)

Poster Award

Poster Award Flash Talk??

-----Cocktail Hour-----

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=====Friday Plenaries=====

STAR Upgrade plans and physics outlook (*request sent to talks committee*)

PHENIX Upgrade plans and physics outlook (*request sent to speakers bureau*)

Progress at RHIC on studying the spin of the proton (*need speaker*)

---break---

Our understanding of the initial state at RHIC (*need speaker*)

Status of extraction of QGP transport parameters (*need speaker*)

UEC Election Results and Summary of UEC Activities (Bai)

-----Luncheon-----

-----Adjourn-----