

The Bylaws of the Finnish Young Minds

1§ Name

The name of this organization is the "Finnish Young Minds".

2 § Objectives

The objectives of the organization are:

1. To promote awareness of physics research and applications to the academic and local communities,
2. To serve as means of communication and interaction between students, faculty, and administration on a local, national and international level,
3. To establish interaction between and collaborate with students and young researchers, peer Young Minds Sections, the Finnish Physical Society, and the European Physical Society headquarters, and
4. To broaden the members' insight of post-graduate opportunities.

3 § Membership

Membership in Finnish Young Minds is open to any student or graduate of physical sciences. In accordance with the objectives stated in 2§, members of the Finnish Young Minds must be either student or regular members of the Finnish Physical Society, the European Physical Society, or one of its member societies.

4 § Organization

A. The Board of the Organization

The administrative and executive power in the organization is held by the board which consists of officers elected by the general meeting.

B. Finnish Young Minds Officers

All officers must be members of good standing with the Finnish Physical Society, European Physical Society, or one of its member societies.

C. Nominations and Elections

1. The yearly elected officers must include President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary.
2. Any member of the organization can be elected as an officer.
3. Elections will be held at the annual general meeting. When a single person is elected, a majority of the given votes is required to become elected. If no one gets the required majority in the first vote, a second vote shall be held between the two persons who got most votes in the first round. In the case of a tie, elections shall be resolved by drawing lots and all other matters by chairperson's vote.
4. In case of a vacant office, a special election will be held at an extraordinary general meeting.

D. Term of Office

The term of all officers shall begin from the election in a general meeting and end when the new officers have been elected. An elected officer can be removed from the office for misconduct or failure to perform the duties of his/her office. Removal must be approved by a two-thirds vote of the members present in a general meeting.

F. Duties of Officers

1. President — To run meetings in an orderly fashion, to represent the organization, and to be responsible to the organization.
2. Vice President — To assist the President and to serve in his/her absence, and to preside over activities of the organization.
3. Treasurer — To be responsible for the financial obligations of the organization, coordinate payment of dues, and distribute funds accordingly.
4. Secretary — To take minutes of all board meetings and to maintain communications with the European Physical Society and the Finnish Physical Society, and to assume responsibility for submitting annual reports to the European Physical Society and all other supporting institutions.

5 § General Meetings

A. The board convenes general meetings.

B. The call for a general meeting must be posted to the main communication forums used by the Finnish Physical Society at least five days prior to the meeting.

C. The annual general meeting must be held annually by the end of March.

D. The annual general meeting shall

1. Approve the annual report of the previous term,
2. Approve the financial statements of the previous term,
3. Approve the action plan for the next term,
4. Elect the officers for the next term, and
5. Resolve any other matters named in the meeting invitation.

E. All members of the organization have a right to vote in a general meeting.

F. An extraordinary general meeting shall be convened if

1. The annual general meeting decides so,
2. The board convenes it, or
3. At least one tenth of the members of the organization request it from the board to resolve a given matter.