

**Minutes Board Meeting MultiPark
2011-02-15 kl 12.00-14.00**

Present: Hjalmar Bjartmarz (from §6)
Anders Björklund (from §5)
Patrik Brundin
Ingemar Carlstedt
Martha Escobar
Martina Holst
Susanne Iwarsson
Diana Jerman
Elisabet Londos
Cecilia Lundberg
Per Odin (via phone from §6)
Roger Olsson
Jens Persson (from §4)
Andreas Puschmann (from §6)
Jens Schouenborg

Absent: Deniz Kirik

§1. Opening of the Meeting

Patrik Brundin welcomed everybody and opened the meeting.

§2. Election of "Justeringsperson"

Cecilia Lundberg was assigned as "Justeringsperson"

§3. Approval of the agenda

Points included in the agenda were approved: Susanne Iwarsson wanted to inform about a meeting with Strategic Research Area representatives and representatives for undergraduate education at the Faculty of Medicine. Jens Schouenborg wanted to discuss the change of the working groups organization for 2010.

§4. Introduction of Jens Persson

Jens introduced himself and informed the board of his duties within MultiPark. From January 1st, 2011, Jens has a 25% position as information officer.

§5. Introduction of Diana Jerman

Diana introduced herself and told the board about her duties within MultiPark and the research school. From December 25th, 2010, Diana has held a 35% position as administrator of which 10% is dedicated to the MultiPark research school.

§6. Information

- **Procurement status**

The procurement for High Content Screening system is in its final phase and the contract should be signed this week. The work with the procurement of the cell sorter is ongoing.

- **Junior Group Leader position(s)**
Deadline has passed and a total of 13 applications were received. Two experts have been appointed to rank the applicants and the process is ongoing. The board agreed that the top candidates should be interviewed and therefore the Head of the Department will be contacted regarding how the recruitment will proceed.
- **Innovation group**
A new innovation group has been appointed and includes Olle Lindvall, Roger Olsson and Tadeusz Wieloch.
- **Communication strategy**
Jens Persson explained his communication strategy within MultiPark. The board has an interest in contacting the information officer of Lund University, Lisa Thelin (who is assigned to assist the strategic research environment), to verify how much assistance MultiPark should get from the central organization of Lund University in term of external channels.
- **Recruitment of new grant manager (25%)**
Patrik informed about the approval of leave of absence for Emma Roybon until 2012-02-28. As a result, there is a need to recruit a grant manager on a temporary basis until 2012-02-28. The position has been announced and the deadline has passed. A total of 10 candidates will be assessed. Martina Holst will leave her temporary employment on March 8th, 2011.
- **Lectures in March 2011**
Sven Pålhagen, Åsa Lundgren-Nilsson and Maud Hårleman will all give lectures on March 16th, 2011. Information regarding place and time will be announced shortly.

§7. Delegation decision regarding travel grants (enclosure 1)

Luis Quintino was awarded a travel grant of 13 100 SEK for his upcoming participation in the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Gene & Cell Therapy, Seattle, USA, in May 2011.

§8. Report on the establishment of “Chemical Biology and Therapeutics Development Platform (enclosure 2)

Roger Olsson informed the board about his inquiries regarding the needs of collaborations in chemical biology and therapeutics development within MultiPark. This is an ongoing process.

§9. Report on the establishment of the clinical node and update on SPA

Per Odin informed the members of the board that the clinical node needs to have additional planning meetings with a large group of clinical investigators in MultiPark. Ongoing work has focused on possible strategies for promoting clinical research in Multipark. Suggestions for investments have been collated with the help of web-based survey among the clinical investigators.

In addition, it was also reported that Paola Piccini has been awarded a guest professorship in bioimaging by Lund University. A post-doctoral fellow will be recruited, to work with her and to reinforce clinical PET imaging on Parkinson’s disease in Lund. Funding of this post-doc might be supported by SPA (SPA recently received 7 million SEK in funding from a private foundation).

§10. Report on the survey carried out define the needs of employing a senior lecturer in statistics

Results from a web-based survey indicated that the majority of the respondents does not currently perceive a great need for statistical support funded by MultiPark. Consequently, the general consensus was to postpone recruiting a senior lecturer in statistics. The board agreed that currently it would be better to financially support MultiPark investigators when they need to consult statistical expertize from Region Skåne. Susanne Iwarsson will contact Region Skåne regarding the possibility of buying part time assistance from them on a regular basis.

§11. Decision regarding application of a “third year postdoc” by Eunju Shin

It was *decided* to approve a MultiPark third year postdoc Eunju Shin (supervised by Anders Björklund), i.e. a sponsored salary for 12 months (2011-07-01 – 2012-06-30). The level of funding will be decided once the outcome of a planned application for support (including some salary support) to an external funding agency is available.

§12. Other issues

Jens Schouenborg wanted to further discuss the dissolution of the three working groups appointed during 2010. Patrik Brundin referred to the letter sent out to the Board on January 19, 2011, which explained why the working groups will be restructured. In the future, working groups will be assigned specific task(s) for a limited period of time. Members with the best possible competence will be selected for each working group, taking care to avoid conflicts of interest. It was agreed that when a group is appointed, the term of office for the working group should be defined and all the information should be published on MultiPark’s homepage.

Susanne Iwarsson informed the board about the meeting chaired by her and Deputy Dean Bengt Jeppsson. All except one of the Strategic Research Environments were represented at the meeting. The discussions were very positive and constructive on how to encourage and support closer cooperation between the Strategic Research Areas and education. Additional meetings will be organized in the future, to continue the discussion on coordinated efforts.

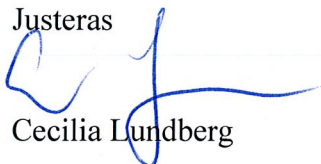


Patrik Brundin



Martina Holst

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Cecilia Lundberg