

**Minutes Board Meeting MultiPark  
2013-04-08, 13.30 – 15.30**

Present: Sten-Magnus Aquilonius  
Håkan Billig  
Hjálmar Bjartmarz  
Gunnar Gouras  
Susanne Iwarsson (Chair)  
Elisabet Londos  
Roger Olsson  
Emma Roybon  
Martina Svensson  
Leif Östergaard

Absent: Lars Dahlin  
Björn Hellqvist

**§1. Election of “Justeringsperson”**

Håkan Billig is assigned together with the Chair of the Board to approve the minutes.

**§2. Approval of the agenda**

The content of the agenda is approved.

Sten-Magnus Aquilonius wants to add a point to § 14. Other issues; how will the new Board be engaged in the strategic development of MultiPark?

**§3. Minutes from the latest board meeting**

The Board approves the minutes from the latest board meeting.

**§4. Delegated decisions (enclosure 1)**

The Travel Grants and Other Strategic Grants that have been approved by the coordinator/assistant coordinator are summarized in the two tables in Enclosure 1.

**§5. Conflicts of interest**

Susanne Iwarsson gives an account of the difficulties of making decisions within MultiPark considering conflicts of interest, followed by a short discussion. The board members share a common understanding regarding these issues.

**§6. Future funding possibilities for international recruitment of excellent researchers**

Susanne Iwarsson describes the process of identifying an international successful scientist, in order to submit an application to the Faculty of Medicine. The Board very much supports the idea to submit a proposal from MultiPark. Iwarsson asks the Board members to send her an email if they can think of potential candidates.

**§7. Principles for Travel Grants decisions**



Gunnar Gouras gives an account on the clarifications of the criteria of applying for travel grants found necessary. It is *decided* to accept the modified criteria to “those from PhD student level and up to but not including the position of group leader and/or docent are eligible to apply for travel grants”. It is also *decided* to limit the number of travel grants to a maximum of one international travel or two European travels per year and applicant. It should also be clear in the instructions to the applicants that if awarded a travel grant, the applicants agree on presenting their research also at a local seminar arranged by MultiPark.

#### **§8 Decision on strategic plan for the Experimental Node**

Gunnar Gouras gives an overview of the work of the working group for the strategic plan for the Experimental Node. After some feedback from the Board, the conclusion is that the plan needs revisions and will be discussed again prior to approval by the Board.

#### **§9. Decision on statistical support**

Based on the evaluation of the statistical support, it is *decided* to keep the funding of this support at its current level (170 KSEK/year) until 2014-12-31.

#### **§10. Decision on continued funding until December 31<sup>st</sup> 2013, for guest researcher, clinical node**

It is *decided* to prolong the employment of Sven Pålhagen at 30% until 2013-12-31, and to assign to Per Odin to suggest a long term plan for continued operational work with the Swedish Parkinson Registry, as of 2014-01-01 and until 2014-12-31.

#### **§11. Decision on start-up package for Professor in Clinical Neuroscience**

It is *decided* that the Professor in Clinical Neuroscience will receive a start-up package at the level of 800 KSEK/year during three years from the time of appointment until December 2014-12-31. During 2013, the amount is likely to be 400 KSEK since the time of appointment is planned to take force from 2013-07-01.

#### **§ 12. Decision on reallocation of funds**

Regarding point 1 (see Enclosure 9), Susanne Iwarsson informs the Board of deviations from budget 2013, and it is *decided* to accept the following:

- ALF support, 2 X 200 KSEK
- Salary for Guest professor, 2 months
- Compensation for administration required at research group level for input to the annual report
- Change of the budget item “collaborative efforts” from 1 MSEK to 200 KSEK


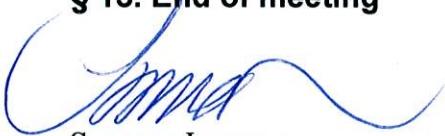
Regarding point 2 (see Enclosure 9), whether to plan for a balanced budget at the end of the present funding period or to under budget with 500 KSEK by the end of 2014, it is *decided* to plan for a balanced budget.

Regarding point 3 (see Enclosure 9), on how to allocate the estimated surplus for the current funding period, Susanne Iwarsson presents the current situation, followed by a thorough discussion. Håkan Billig requests a clearer presentation of the budget process, and of the suggestions on how to allocate funds for 2013 and 2014. The matter was postponed. An extra Board meeting will be arranged in mid-May (by telephone for external Board members).

**§ 13. Date for Board meetings during the fall**  
Will be dealt with via e-mail.

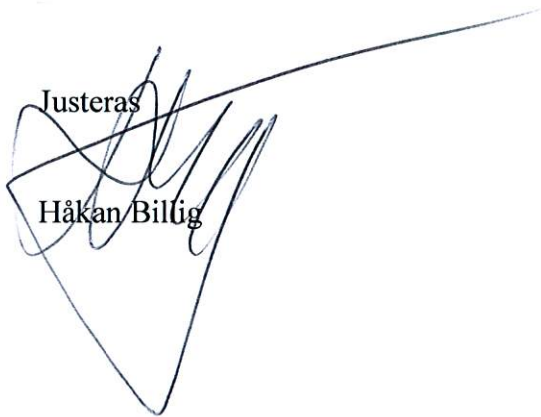
**§ 14. Other issues**  
Postponed to the next meeting due to time constraints.

**§ 15. End of meeting**



Susanne Iwarsson  
Chairman

Emma Roybon



Justeras  
Håkan Billig



## Enclosure 1, Delegated Decisions

### Travel Grants

Applicant	Max amount (SEK)	Kind of activity	Approved by	Date
Mickael Decressac	15 000	Keystone Symposia on Molecular and Cellular Biology. "New Frontiers in Neurodegenerative Disease Research (J8)." Santa Fe, New Mexico, USA, February 3-7, 2013.	G Gouras	2013-01-22
Maria Joao Pereira	15 000	"New Avenues for Brain Repair: Programming and Reprogramming the CNS" & International Society for Stem Cell Research (ISCCR) annual meeting, Boston, MA, June 12-15, 2013	G Gouras	2013-02-14
Zuzanna Kurowska	15 000	17th International Congress of Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders, Sydney, Australia, June 16-20 2013	G Gouras	2013-02-22
Ulrich Pfisterer	15 000	"New Avenues for Brain Repair: Programming and Reprogramming the CNS" & International Society for Stem Cell Research (ISCCR) annual meeting, Boston, MA, June 12-15, 2013	G Gouras	2013-02-22
Juan F Reyes	7 000	The Jacques Monod research conference in Roscoff (Brittany), France, April 13-17, 2013	G Gouras	2013-03-12
Hanna Lindgren	7 000	The international meeting Dopamine 2013, Alghero, Sardinia, Italy, May 24-28, 2013	G Gouras	2013-03-12
Nolwen Rey	7 000	Course of NSAS (Neuroscience School of Advanced Studies) on "Protein aggregation spectrum disorders", Bonn, Germany, June 15-23, 2013	G Gouras	2013-03-12
Maria Haak	3 400	AT-forum, Stockholm, Sweden, April 24-25, 2013	G Gouras	2013-03-13
Beata Lindholm	15 000	17th International Congress of Parkinson's Disease and Movement disorders, Sydney, Australia, June 14-21, 2013	G Gouras	2013-03-14

### Other strategic Grants

Applicant	Max amount (SEK)	Kind of activity	Approved by	Date
Ian Lexell	15 000	Invitation of scientific guests; Dr Samyra Keus and Dr Maarten Nijkrake to the meeting "Physiotherapy, specific interventions and physical activity in Parkinson's disease", April 18 <sup>th</sup> 2013.	G Gouras	2013-03-19

## **Enclosure 9, Budget reallocations**

In enclosure 9.a. you will find the budget for 2013 that was decided on by the MultiPark Board on November 26<sup>th</sup> 2012. Since that decision, there have been some revisions and additions of some budget items due to e.g. that information has been lacking about former decisions in some cases.

You will find these corrections (marked in red font) in the second budget enclosure 9.b., which also has the updated balance from 2012. In this budget you will also see the preliminary budget for 2014; based on those decisions that have previously been taken by the board.

In enclosure 9.b. you will also see that there is an estimated balance by the end of 2014 of about 2.84 MSEK.

At this board meeting, decisions need to be taken regarding:

- 1) Whether to accept changes in the budget from November 26<sup>th</sup> 2012
  - a. Start-up package (separate agenda point)
  - b. ALF support (decision already made; but budget item was not in the budget)
  - c. Salary for guest professor, 2 months
  - d. Compensation for participation in the annual report
  - e. Lower the level of budget item “collaborative efforts” from 1 MSEK to 200 000 SEK per year.
- 2) Whether to under budget with 500 000 SEK by the end of 2014 or to plan for a balanced budget.
- 3) How to allocate the estimated balance in 2014 in the amount of 2.84 MSEK (or 3.34 if under budgeting is decided). Regarding allocation of available funds, a strategic decision needs to be taken and there is a consensus in the Steering Group that needs for infrastructure within MultiPark is a high priority. There are needs within all the nodes for different types of infrastructure, and more background information regarding these needs will be presented by the coordinator at the board meeting, in order to make decisions on how to allocate funds within the environment.