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**Minutes Board Meeting MultiPark
2013-11-26, 13.00 – 15.30**

- Present: Sten-Magnus Aquilonius
Håkan Billig
Hjálmar Bjartmarz
Lars Dahlin
Gunnar Gouras
Susanne Iwarsson (Chair)
Roger Olsson
Emma Roybon (meeting secretary)
Antonio Boza Serrano
Leif Östergaard
- Absent: Elisabet Londos
Björn Hellqvist

§ 1. Meeting starts

Susanne Iwarsson welcomes everyone and opens the meeting.

§ 2. Designation of “Justeringsperson”

Hjálmar Bjartmarz is assigned together with the Chair of the Board to approve the minutes.

§ 3. Approval of the agenda

Susanne Iwarsson suggests to change the order, and to discuss point 9 before point 8, followed by approval of the thus slightly revised agenda.

§ 4. Minutes from the latest board meetings

The Board approves the minutes from the latest board meeting (Sept. 17th 2013).

§ 5. 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. Susanne Iwarsson adds that the granted funds related to her application was for the travel to Toronto to visit the Idapt RealityLab, and those for D. Kirik were related to the visit of Professor M. Saarma.

§ 6. Information

a. Innovation manager advertisement

Susanne Iwarsson informs the Board that there is now an advertisement for the position of an Innovation Officer for MultiPark. The position will be limited in time until December 31st 2014.

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b. Update on management structure

Susanne Iwarsson brings up the question of how the Steering Group will be composed in the future. The current composition of representatives from the nodes may not be instrumental moving forward, and she will later on give an update on her decision regarding the Steering Group.

c. Update on annual report process

Emma Roybon informs the Board that the work has started on the annual report. The report will be sent out to the Board prior to submission (mid-January 2014).

d. Update on external funding decisions

Susanne Iwarsson informs about grant decisions for MultiPark co-workers; Malin Parmar, Oskar Hansson, Johan Jakobsson, Tomas Björklund, Markus Idvall and Sara Linse have received a total of more than 23 MSEK from the Swedish Research Council. Johan Jakobsson has also been successful in receiving a 10 MSEK grant from SSF for the call for Future Research Leaders. Unfortunately, several proposals based on very broad, translationally composed constellations of MultiPark researchers have not been successful.

e. Upcoming evaluation of MultiPark-funded clinical researchers

Susanne Iwarsson informs that during spring 2014 it is time for the evaluation of the two clinical researchers financed 50% for two years with a possibility for an extension of another 2 years; Maria H Nilsson and Sebastian Palmqvist. They will be asked to compile a progress report, to be submitted along with their CVs and publication lists prior to the board meeting in May. They will be invited to present during the board meeting, followed by the decision on prolongation during the same meeting.

f. Conference

Emma Roybon informs that the Vice-chancellor is planning to organize a conference on the theme "Strategic Research Areas", during the period April 22-25 2014.

§ 7. Decision on the management function of ParkReg, during 2014-01-01 – 2014-12-31

Hjalmar Bjartmarz informs that he has a conflict of interest and leaves the room.

It is decided to set aside funds for 25% salary for Sven Pålhagen until 2014-10-31. This decision is final and the position cannot be prolonged longer than until this date. As of November 1st 2014, the Board strongly recommends that Per Odin takes over the responsibility for ParkReg. The formal decision for this rests with the Board of the SWEPAR.

§ 8. Decision on budget 2014

Discussion on the proposed budget for 2014. The Board emphasizes that there should not be any surplus of funding at the end of December 2014. The Board *decides to* set aside 1.6 MSEK for "Investments and Strategic Development", and delegates to the coordinator to effectuate an open call for such proposals asap. Decisions on funding will be taken at the next Board meeting. Furthermore, the Board *decides to* follow up on the funds for major budget posts (such as the Biobank) in May 2014. In cases where funding is not spent according to the current plan, the remaining funds will be withdrawn and used for other investments.



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With the addition of a budget item on Investments and Strategic Development as specified above, the Board *decides to* approve the budget for 2014.

§ 9. Towards a new strategic plan

a. Summary of the strategic workshop and reports from the translational working groups at the annual retreat

Emma Roybon gives a summary from the reports from the translational working groups presented at the annual retreat, including a summary from the strategic workshop held as part of the retreat. Discussion follows, with the following conclusions:

- MultiPark, perhaps together with Lund University Cancer Center, could be more of an active force pushing for better access to patients.
- The feeling of not belonging to MultiPark expressed by co-workers has to be addressed.
- Håkan Billig points out that something that will be important in the upcoming evaluation is impact on society.

b. Decision on additional revisions of the MP aims guiding the work on the strategic plan

How the overarching aim should be expressed, including the specification of which diagnoses to include, is discussed. It was *decided to* add a 7th aim, expressed as follows:

To determine molecular and cellular mechanisms of pathogenesis in Parkinson's disease and related disorders, in order to develop new treatment strategies.

Susanne Iwarsson assigns to assistant coordinator Gunnar Gouras to see to that a translational working group is formed around this new aim.

§ 10. Board meetings, spring semester 2014

It is *decided to* hold the Board meetings on the following dates:

March 4th, 12:00 – 15:30 (Research presentations start at 12.00; Board meeting starts at 13.00)

May 7th, 12.00 – 16.00 (Lecture by Professor Anders Björklund within the MultiPark Seminar Series starts at 12.00; Board meeting starts at 13:30.

A Doodle to schedule the board meetings for the fall will be sent out in January 2014.

§ 11. Other issues

§ 12. End of meeting

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Susanne Iwarsson
Chairman



Emma Roybon

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Enclosure 1

Travel Grants

Applicant	Amount (SEK)	Kind of activity	Approved by	Group affiliation	Date of approval
Lina Rosengren	6050	3rd Baltic & North Sea Conference on Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine, Hannover, Germany, September 25-27, 2013	G Gouras	J Lexell	2013-09-13
Christopher Dunning	4710	4th Scandinavian Meeting on Amyloid Proteins and Disease, Lund, Sweden, November 18-20, 2013	G Gouras	P Brundin	2013-10-17

Other Strategic Grants

Applicant	Amount (SEK)	Kind of activity	Approved by	Date of approval
Susanne Iwarsson	8307	Other strategic grants	Gunnar Gouras	2013-10-17
Deniz Kirik	3250	Other strategic grants	Susanne Iwarsson	2013-11-06

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