



Minutes Board Meeting MultiPark 2014-05-07, 13.30 – 16.00

Present:

Håkan Billig

Hjalmar Bjartmarz

Gunnar Gouras (Chaired items § 7b, and 13-14) Björn Hellqvist (present during §1, 2, 3 and 7) Susanne Iwarsson (Chaired items §1 - 7a and 8 - 12)

Roger Olsson

Emma Roybon (meeting secretary)

Absent:

Sten-Magnus Aquilonius

Antonio Boza Serrano

Lars Dahlin

Marcelo Rivano Fischer

Leif Östergaard

§ 1. Meeting starts

Susanne Iwarsson welcomes everyone and opens the meeting.

§ 2. Designation of "Justeringsperson"

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

§ 3. Approval of the agenda

The Board approves the agenda, with a few revisions and additions. Due to the fact that Björn Hellqvist has to leave the meeting early, §7 is moved to be dealt with as the next item on the agenda, that is after § 3. Two issues were announced for discussion under "Other", see §13.

§ 4. Minutes from the latest board meetings

The Board approves the minutes from the latest board meeting (March 4th 2014). Susanne Iwarsson comments on two items of the minutes. As a follow-up to § 9 regarding the funding withheld by the Faculty of Medicine, this was resolved with the result that the funds could be distributed to infrastructure, per recommendation by the external board members. Regarding § 11 Susanne reports that the Dean provided feedback that the process of reviewing by the external board members had been dealt with in an efficient way. The Dean took the decisions based on the external board members recommendations. These documents will be added to these minutes as addendums.

§ 5. Delegated decisions (enclosure 1)

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The Travel Grants and Innovation Grants that have been approved by the Coordinator/Assistant coordinator/ chair of the Innovation Group are summarized in the two tables in Enclosure 1.

§ 6. Information

- a. Update on conference "The Future of Strategic Research Areas" (SRA) Susanne Iwarsson reports on the conference and brings up that it became apparent that education issues play a larger role than envisaged. One part of the conference was a workshop, where the future for the SRAs was discussed. The impression is that there will be a continued discussion and it might be that the SRAs will continue in another type of format from Jan 2016, maybe assimilated with other strong research environments.
- b. Update on the ongoing 5-year evaluation Emma Roybon gives an update of the current status of the self-evaluation report. The deadline for submitting the report is in one week, and she will send out the draft to the Board for potential feedback. Håkan Billig comments on the enclosure with the illustrations of collaborations based on an analysis provided by the University Library and suggests that it should be published on the MultiPark website.
- c. A MultiPark Conference is planned for November 21st 2014; information on the program will follow.
- d. MultiPark Seminar Series, Fall 2014 Gunnar Gouras informs that the seminar series will continue during the fall in the same format.
- e. Information on updated management structure
 Susanne Iwarsson informs that the steering group was dissolved at the same
 time as the translational working groups were formed. Within the MultiPark
 environment, there is little support for the node structure to continue. Facing
 fall 2014, the Coordinator will form another steering group format.

§ 7. Evaluation of clinical research time

- a. Progress reports from Maria H Nilsson and Sebastian Palmqvist Maria H Nilsson and Sebastian Palmqvist give presentations of their research performed during the last 18 months, and future plans.
- b. Decision on prolongation of clinical research time until 2015-12-31 Due to conflict of interest Susanne Iwarsson leaves the room. *It is decided* to prolong the funding for support of clinical research time, 50 % for Maria H Nilsson and Sebastian Palmqvist until 2015-12-31.

§ 8. Ratification of the MultiPark Strategic plan

Susanne Iwarsson informs the Board that the process of developing the new strategic plan has been ongoing for more than a year, and has involved about 25 researchers within MultiPark as the core group. Much effort was put in to make the development process as transparent and open as possible.

Håkan Billig suggests a slight revision of the headings under the section "Challenges". Apart from that suggestion, the Board *decided* to ratify the MultiPark strategic plan 2014-2019. The plan should be posted on the website and printed as a leaflet.

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§ 9. Decision on principles of user fees for the platforms FACS and Cellomics

Roger Olsson, serving as a member of the Infrastructure Working Group, wants an overarching discussion regarding all MultiPark financed infrastructure. For the next board meeting in September, such an overview should be presented.

It is *decided* to implement user fees on all MultiPark financed equipment covering at least consumables and running costs, including the FACS and the Cellomics. The specific fees will be decided by the infrastructure group.

§ 10. Future collaborations between Lund University (LU) and University of Gothenburg (UGOT)

- a. Report on activities at UGOT during 2010-2014 Roger Olsson provides a report of the strategic collaboration between UGOT and LU regarding medicinal chemistry and drug discovery.
- b. Discussion on continued collaboration between LU and UGOT
 Susanne Iwarsson reports that for the evaluation we need to address the strategic significance of the collaboration between LU and UGOT, and also explicitly state whether the 3% level of funding to UGOT will remain for the next funding period. In the evaluation there are questions regarding challenges in collaboration, etc. Susanne Iwarsson apologizes for the not optimal wording in the enclosure referring to the strategic significance of UGOT. After discussion, the Board agrees that the collaboration between LU and UGOT has evolved. The infrastructure at UGOT is a vital and highly strategic link between the two universities. The Board suggests that the collaboration with UGOT should continue at the 3 % level, concentrated to collaborations within medicinal chemistry and drug discovery.

§ 11. Follow-up of the MultiPark Biobank

Susanne Iwarsson updates the Board on the latest follow-up with the Biobank. Following initial challenges, there is a convincing plan for progress and use of the funds during 2015. The Board agrees that the initiative has to continue according to plan.

§ 12. Strategic discussion on budget process 2015

After distribution of information on the funding already reserved based on previous decisions (mainly salary funding for different types of employments), the Board initiated the strategic discussion for the budget process. According to the calculations at this point there is a balance of 7 MSEK available for new investments in 2015. Håkan Billig suggests that the 7 MSEK should be budgeted based on the new strategic plan.

§ 13. Other issues

Susanne Iwarsson leaves the meeting and Gunnar Gouras takes over as the Chair. Roger Olsson brings up his allegations towards Susanne Iwarsson expressed in an e-mail to the Board declaring distrust towards the Coordinator (see § 10), followed by discussion. It was concluded that within MultiPark, communication is a challenge that requires continuous attention.

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§ 14. End of meeting

Susanne Iwarsson

Chairman §1 - 7a and 8 - 12

Gunnar Gouras

Chairman § 7b, and 13-14

Emma Roybon

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Hjalmar Bjartmarz/

Delegated decisions, Enclosure 2

Travel Grants

Applicant	Amount (SEK)	Kind of activity	Approved by	Group affiliation	Date of approval
Gurdal Sahin	7 000	The 4.5 day animal imaging workshop (January 27 31), Tubingen, Germany, January 26-February 1, 2014	G Gouras	D Kirik	2013-12-10 CANCELL ED
Ludivine Berger	7 000	Course organised by the Neuroscience School of Advanced Studies: Gene Delivery and Gene Targeting for Brain Diseases, Cortona, Italy, May 24 – June 1 st , 2014	G Gouras	C Lundberg	2014-03-05
Malin Wennström	7 000	Alzheimer's Association International Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark, July 12-17, 2014	G Gouras	L Minthon	2014-03-05
Staffan Holmqvist	7 000	Course/conference "Astrocytes 2014", Gothenburg, Sweden, March 18 – 21, 2014	G Gouras	Li / Roybon	2014-03-05
Gurdal Sahin	7 000	Learn new animal imaging techniques, Tubingen, Germany, April 21-26, 2014	G Gouras	D Kirik	2014-03-19
Jordi Boix	7 000	The 18th International Congress of Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders, Stockholm, Sweden, June 7-12, 2014	G Gouras	G Paul	2014-04-10
Olof Torper	15 000	The international society for stem cell research (ISSCR) annual meeting, Vancouver, Canada, June 17-21, 2014	G Gouras	M Parmar	2014-04-10
Oi Wan Wan	7 000	Advanced Neuroscience School: Gene Delivery and Gene Targeting for Brain	G Gouras	A Björklund	2014-04-10

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		Diseases, Cortona, Italy, May 23-31, 2014			
Hanna Iderberg	5 520	The 18th International Congress of Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders, Stockholm, Sweden, June 8-12, 2014	G Gouras	A Cenci	2014-04-10
Zisis Bimpisidis	7 000	The 18th International Congress of Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders, Stockholm, Sweden, June 8-12, 2014	G Gouras	A Cenci	2014-04-10

Other Strategic Grants

Applicant	Amount (SEK)	Kind of activity	Approved by	Date of approval
Anna Hammarberg	13 750	Visit to the International Society for Advancement of Cytometry (ISAC) Congress, "CYTO 2014", between May16th – 22 nd 2014	S. Iwarsson	2014-03-20
Madelene Andersson	200 000	Innovation grant	T. Wieloch	2014-04-05

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