Minutes Board Meeting MultiPark 2010-05-05 kl 13.30

Present: Anders Björklund

Patrik Brundin Ingemar Carlstedt Martha Escobar Susanne Iwarsson Deniz Kirik Elisabet Londos

Per Odin (via telephone)

Roger Olsson

Andreas Puschmann (via Skype)

Jens Schouenborg

Absent: Hjálmar Bjartmarz

Cecilia Lundberg

§1. Opening of the Meeting

Patrik Brundin welcomes everybody and starts the meeting.

§2. Election of "Justeringsperson"

Anders Björklund was assigned as "Justeringsperson"

§3. Decision regarding budget

It was agreed to make a change in the agenda, and to make the decision regarding the budget after the presentations of the different working groups, since the items specified in the current version might need revision.

§4. Presentation of the ongoing work for evaluation of equipment

High content screening equipment. Agnete Kyrkeby presented the status of the evaluation process of the equipment. This process was started in 2009 and after site visits in London a thorough comparison was made. Additionally A Kyrkeby listed possible users and the advantages that the acquisition of this kind of equipment represents for ongoing projects. FACS Cell sorter. Johan Jakobsson informed regarding the status of the evaluation of the available systems. Additionally J Jakobsson has been in contact with researchers from STEMTHERAPY regarding joint efforts to optimize acquisition and usage of this sort of technology. I Carlstedt mentioned the advantages of creating a unit that can support external users and in that way get additional financial support from the Faculty.

§5. Update from the separate meetings held by the working groups

- Recruitment – Enclosure 1 (P Brundin, A Björklund, E Londos, I Carlstedt)

The recruitment group has met twice since last meeting and has summarized in enclosure 1 the type of positions that could be opened in order to fulfill the current needs in terms of new recruitments and support to young researchers. As concerns

the position directed to health and care science research, efforts to survey the field of potential candidates are in progress.

Comments. One important aspect is the need to take into account that some changes might occur in 2011 and that positions like the third year postdoc might be affected. S Iwarsson pointed out that according to the new rules for university positions expected, recruitments for 4-year assistant professor positions according to current rules must be effectuated during 2010. A Puschmann mentioned the need to include teaching experience as a merit in the text for the ads.

- Infrastructure enclosure 2 (D Kirik, R Olsson, J Schouenborg, P Odin)
 The group has now met and has summarized their discussion in enclosure 2, mainly defining the operational procedures for the group.

 Comments. Important aspects mentioned were the need to evaluate the needs as a "package" that includes not only equipment but also what kind of additional support should be available (i.e. rent of premises, personnel). Small changes were made to the document enclosed with the agenda for this meeting, enclosed the updated version.
- **Educational questions** enclosure 3 (S Iwarsson, C Lundberg, H Bjartmarz, A Puschmann)

C Lundberg and S Iwarsson have summarized their discussion on educational questions in enclosure 3.

Comments. It was decided to support the proposal of the group, regarding the establishment of the MultiPark Graduate School and the recruitment of a part-time director of studies (30 %) to coordinate current efforts among the existing networks (i.e. NeuroFortis, BAGADILICO, Stem Cell Research School, NRC) and establish cooperation with the CASE Graduate School.

§6. Decision regarding budget (see §3)

It was *decided* to modify the items specified in the budget since it is difficult to predict what kind of recruitments will be possible before the end 2010. The exact figures will be recalculated and summed up according to the different activities (recruitment, infrastructure and education) and sent out to be finally approved via email. No major objections were made during the meeting.

§7. Approval of the strategic plan (enclosure 4)

It was *decided* to approve the strategic plan. The plan will be sent to the Faculty before May the 12th, 2010.

§8. Approval of the "arbetsordning" (enclosure 5)

It was *decided* to approve the "arbetsordning" with one amendment; the phrase "minst en gång per halvår" was changed to "minst två gånger per halvår". The document will be sent to the Faculty before May the 12th, 2010.

§9. Information about the conflict-of-interest policy

To date, no information from the Vice-chancellor's office has been made available. P Brundin and S Iwarsson will meet with representatives of the legal office and the Vice-chancellor office on May the 6th to further discuss this question.

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