

**Minutes Board Meeting MultiPark
2011-06-15 kl 12.00-14.00**

Present: Hjalmar Bjartmarz
Anders Björklund
Patrik Brundin
Ingemar Carlstedt (until §10, did not vote from §11 onwards)
Martha Escobar
Susanne Iwarsson
Elisabet Londos (until §10, did not vote from §11 onwards)
Cecilia Lundberg (from §5)
Per Odin
Roger Olsson
Andreas Puschmann
Steven Schmidt
Jens Schouenborg

§1. Opening of the Meeting

Patrik Brundin welcomed everybody and opened the meeting. Patrik Brundin chaired the meeting.

§2. Election of “Justeringsperson”

Per Odin was assigned as “Justeringsperson”.

§3. Minutes from the previous board meeting (2011-04-12, see enclosure 1)

Ingemar Carlstedt raised the point that he believed it necessary to amend the minutes from the last meeting regarding what had been stated under §12. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that a clarification was necessary. Roger Olsson who acted as “Justeringsperson” in the previous meeting was also assigned as “Justeringsperson” for this point.

§12 (2011-04-12). Decision regarding the appointment of Junior Group Leaders – number of positions and definition of their start-up package

Susanne Iwarsson chaired the meeting at this point. Patrik Brundin, Anders Björklund and Cecilia Lundberg left the meeting due to conflict of interest. There was still enough *quorum* to made this decision.

It was *decided* to approve the appointment according to the recommendations of the working group. It was also *decided* to define the start-up package as 500 000 SEK per year/person. This sum can then be used to cover any kind of costs except for scholarships. Due to the limitations that MultiPark’s funding represents in terms of its use (“periodisering” is not allowed) periodic reports need be submitted to the MultiPark management in order to guarantee the usage of the allocated resources prior to the payment of a new period. Further, it was also *decided* to include all appointed junior group leaders as associated partners of MultiPark.

Because the text in the original minutes (see above) was deemed open to misinterpretation and included details that were not part of a formal decision, it was decided to modify the original text and concomitantly clarify the role of the board in the decision making process (see below). The detailed information about the start-up packages is now included as appendix 1.

§12 board meeting held on 2011-04-12. Decision regarding the appointment of Junior Group Leaders – number of positions and definition of their start-up package

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It was **decided** to finance 3 positions instead of 2 positions as initially budgeted. It was also **decided** to allocate a start-up package as 500 000 SEK per year/position (see appendix 1). Further, it was also **decided** to include all appointed junior group leaders as associated partners of MultiPark.

§4. Approval of the agenda

The agenda was approved. Under §13 the proposal for a guest professorship for Daniel Peterson and the policy for the High content screening and cell-sorting technical platform were included.

§5. Information

- Procurement of the cell-sorter

Martha Escobar informed that the procurement for cell-sorter has been finalized and a contract has been sent out. It is expected that an order will be placed next week. Patrik Brundin mentioned that the recruitment of the technical staff who will be jointly responsible for this platform and the Cellomics platform was in its final stages.

- Change in the composition of the board

Patrik Brundin informed the board about the resignation of Deniz Kirik from MultiPark's board and the decision made by the board of the Faculty of Medicine on 2011-05-24, to appoint Per Odin as a new member of MultiPark's board (<http://www.med.lu.se/content/download/57783/446578/file/MFS%20protokoll%202011-05-24.pdf>).

- Change in the list of associated partners of MultiPark

Patrik Brundin informed about changes in the list of associated partners of MultiPark.

Additions: Gunnar Gouras, Johan Jakobsson (own group since 2010).

Changes: Lena Brundin replaces Lil Träskman Bendz because Lena Brundin has now taken over the leadership of the group in which Lil Träskman Bendz is active. Lil Träskman Bendz is approaching retirement.

- Applications for infrastructure

This initiative has not been used as much as expected so far during 2011.

- Innovation grants

Roger Olsson reported that two applications have been submitted and that they are currently being evaluated.

- Contract for statistical consultations

Susanne Iwarsson described the items included in the contract signed between RSKC and MultiPark (signed by Jonas Björk and Patrik Brundin). The services (one assigned

statistician, 12 hours per week) will be available for all MultiPark partners and associated partners from 2011-08-15 until 2012-12-31. In case the evaluation is positive, the contract can be prolonged for another two years. The time allocated per week remains negotiable during this period and can be adjusted according to our needs. Susanne has e-mailed Jens Persson to ask him see to that the information about this new service will be disseminated in the MultiPark newsletter.

- **Report from VR regarding reports from the strategic areas, 2011-05-30**

Martha Escobar informed about the follow-up meeting organized by VR in connection with the reports of the progress of the SFOs in February. In summary, the government has pointed out that the real assessment of the SFOs will be made at the end of the funding period, sometime in 2015, and that gender and age balance, research excellence and contact with the public (especially the industry) will be in focus.

§6. Delegated decisions (enclosure 1)

The travel grants that have been approved by the coordinator/assistant coordinator are summarized in enclosure 1. Additionally, two applications have been reviewed, but rejected because they did not fulfill the eligibility criteria.

§7. Decisions *per capsulam* (enclosure 2)

The applications for support of postdoctoral employments that have been approved by the board *per capsulam* are summarized in enclosure 2. Patrik Brundin declared that he has not been involved in any of the decisions since he was the applicant on the first one and that he had a conflict of interest regarding the second applicant. Cecilia Lundberg would like that the instructions to the referees should be modified in order to clarify the value of the interview to get the right balance between the weight of the project versus the candidate. It was *decided* that the steering group should revise the instructions.

§8. Discussion regarding the definition of general principles for start-up packages

The possibility of having formal support from the Medical Faculty in this type of questions was discussed and the view that start-up packages should be funded jointly with the faculty was expressed. Ingemar Carlstedt reminded the board that 25% of the resources assigned to MultiPark can be allocated by the Faculty of Medicine. Alternatively, the Faculty can choose to approve allocations made by the MultiPark board and view these as part of this 25% share.

§9. Decision regarding the approval of the budget associated with the establishment of the HCS node (enclosure 3)

Susanne Iwarsson presented the proposal, answered questions regarding it and then left the room – she did not participate in the final discussions or the decision regarding this point.

During the final discussion it was commented that when approving funding of future positions, it will be important to clearly state the need of infrastructure up front, i.e. before the actual decision about the positions is made.

It was *decided* to support the proposal as an *establishment support* for 500 000 SEK since the node needs to be established *de novo*. A distinction between establishment support and start up package was made. Establishment support is allocated to a specific type of research activity that does not yet exist at Lund University. By contrast a start-up package

is given to a defined recruitment in order to both make a position more attractive (improving the quality of applicants) and to facilitate when that individual initiates his/her research activity, even if the type of research activity is not entirely novel to Lund University.

Establishment support will only be given in exceptional cases in the future.

§10. Decision regarding the approval of the budget associated with the establishment of the CBT node (enclosure 4)

Roger Olsson presented the proposal, answered questions regarding it and then left the room – he did not participate in the final discussion or the decision regarding this point.

It was *decided* to approve the proposal with a 500 000 SEK establishment support for 2011 and a start-up package of 500 000 SEK per year for the recruited professor for maximum 4 years from the starting date of the recruitment (no longer than the end of 2014). The importance of teaching in the new programs ("*Apotekarprogrammet*") that are starting at the Faculty needed highlighting. Moreover, it was suggested that some qualifications described in the job description should be listed as desirable instead of required.

§11. Decision regarding the approval of the budget associated with the establishment of the clinical node (enclosure 5)

Per Odin presented the proposal and the procedure of how the proposal has been produced and answer questions regarding it. After this Per Odin left the room – he did not participate in the final discussion or the decision regarding this point. During the discussion, Ingemar Carlstedt (at 13.50) and Elisabet Londos (at 13.55) had to leave the meeting due to other commitments and did not participate in the decision. Anders Björklund was assigned as "*Justeringsperson*" for this point.

Hjálmar Bjartmarz questioned different aspects of the proposal and commented that although he had participated in two meetings himself, in his view, some key clinical researchers in the area had not been sufficiently involved in drafting proposal. It was also commented that it would be valuable if a *modus operandi* of the node is created. Although formal decision-making will remain within the MultiPark board, the clinical node could create an internal formal procedure for discussing and informing about new initiatives.

Regarding the 70% professorship as described in the enclosure it was *decided* to approve it with 6 votes in favor. Andreas Puschmann refrained from voting while Hjálmar Bjartmarz voted against.

Regarding the proposal of funding for 50% time for clinical research/assistant researchers /researchers it was *decided* to allocate a budget post corresponding to the amount described in the proposal unanimously by the members of the board present at this point. The money shall not be distributed until the aforementioned *modus operandi* document is in place and approved by the board (i.e. *per capsulam*).

It was also *decided* to that external referees from outside Sweden should be consulted for to evaluate applicants for 50% time for clinical research / assistant researchers (see above).

§12. Meetings in the autumn

It was *decided* to book September the 22nd and November the 9th as tentative dates for the autumn meetings. A confirmatory e-mail will be sent.

§13. Other matters discussed

- Susanne Iwarsson informed about the request made by Daniel A. Peterson to formalize his collaboration with Lund University through an appointment as guest professor. It was *decided* to proceed with his request via EMV and to investigate whether a guest professor employment could be feasible. This initiative does not imply any additional costs than the ones already covered as part of the educational activities involving Peterson that have already been established.
- A draft of the policy for the technical platform for cell sorting and Cellomics was distributed for feedback via e-mail.



Patrik Brundin
Chairman



Martha Escobar

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Per Odin
§1,2, 4-10, 12, 13

Roger Olsson
§3



Anders Björklund
§11

Appendix 1

Start-up package usage (meeting 2011-04-12)

The allocated sum can then be used to cover any kind of costs except for scholarships. Due to the limitations that MultiPark's funding represents in terms of its use ("periodising" is not allowed) periodic reports need be submitted to the MultiPark management in order to guarantee the usage of the allocated resources prior to the payment of a new period.