SciLifeLab

The national board of Science for Life Laboratory

Minutes from board meeting nr 16
2015-11-13

Present members: Carl-Henrik Heldin (chair), Hans Adolfsson (SU), Staffan Edén (GU), Sophia Hober (KTH), Hans-Gustaf Ljunggren (KI), Karl-Eric Magnusson (LiU), Margareta Olsson Birgersson (näringslivsrepresentant), Stellan Sandler (UU), Gunilla Westergren-Thorsson (LU)
Other participants: Olli Kallioniemi (Director), Lena Claesson-Welsh (Co-Director), Fredrik Sterky (secretary), Maria Sörby (point nr 4 and 9), Ulf Pettersson (point nr 9), Ina Schuppe-Koistinen (point nr 10), Cecilia Nilsson (point nr 10)

Appendices:
1. Budget 2016
2. Platform nomenclature

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1. **Introduction**
   Carl-Henrik Heldin opened the meeting.

   Decisions:
   - The board approved the minutes from meeting nr 15.
   - The board appointed Karl-Eric Magnusson to adjust the minutes together with the chairman.

2. **Reflections and visions by the chairman**
   Carl-Henrik Heldin presented some reflections and future visions to the board.

3. **SciLifeLab quarterly highlights**
   Olli Kallioniemi gave an overview of the discussions in the management group and the presented current work in SciLifeLab.

4. **Budget 2016**
   Olli Kallioniemi presented the suggested budget for 2016. The budget has a new structure where costs for operations, management and support functions are more clearly presented. The budget also includes information about SFO-funding. Decisions about SFO-funding are taken by each one of the four host universities.
   The Uppsala node suggested that funding for some facilities would be covered by the National Infrastructure grant 2016 instead of the SFO-Uppsala grant. No change in the total amount of funding was suggested. The division of funding between Stockholm and Uppsala is clearly presented.

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Decisions:
- The board decided to approve the budget for 2016 (appendix 1). Fredrik Sterky will give KTH necessary information for transfer of funding to all recipients.
- The board decided to approve coverage by national funding of some facilities that were earlier covered by SFO, but only for 2016.
- The board decided to grant 4 MSEK to KTH in order to cover extra costs for preparation of premises for the Cryo-EM facility. The grant will be covered by unused funds from earlier years and if necessary a minor part from the 2016 budget.

5. **New platform nomenclature**
   Lena Claesson-Welsh presented a suggested nomenclature for platform executives. The board at meeting nr 15 took a decision about the nomenclature, but with some changes that were not anchored in the organization.

   Decision:
   - The board decided that the suggested nomenclature should be used (appendix 2), the decision replaces earlier decisions.

6. **Update on the evaluation process**
   Lena Claesson-Welsh presented plans for the evaluation of platforms and facilities in 2016. All board members endorsed the strategy.

7. **Recruitment of new Director of Infrastructure**
   Olli Kallioniemi informed the board that Stefan Ståhl has indicated that he will not be available as an Infrastructure Director any more (effective immediately) and that he does not want his term to be extended. There was a discussion about the best way to recruit a new infrastructure director.

   Decision:
   - The board decided that the management group should propose a strategy for recruitment at the next board meeting.

8. **Confirmation of Co-Director Research grant**
   Lena Claesson-Welsh left the room. Olli Kallioniemi presented the decision about financial support to Lena Claesson-Welsh that was taken by Göran Sandberg *per capsulam* in September 2015, and that the decision need to be confirmed in order of documentation.

   Decision:
   - The board confirmed the chairman's decision from September 2, 2015, that Lena Claesson-Welsh will be granted a research support of 100 kSEK per month from October 1, 2015 until her appointment as co-director ends.

9. **Round 2 of national projects**
   The chair of the evaluation panel Ulf Pettersson described the process and the recommendations for round 2 of the national projects. The applications

belong to two categories, whole genome sequencing and biodiversity. There was a discussion about how many projects could be supported and about the increased costs for instrumentation and possible need for bioinformatics support.

Decision:
- *The board decided that:*
 # The ranked list of top proposals recommended by the evaluation panel based on the evaluations by the international experts was accepted, but no funding decisions were made at this meeting.
 # Some of the top-ranked applicants of human genome sequencing grants will be contacted to make sure that they are confident that bioinformatic analyses can be accomplished.
 # That bioinformatic costs and increased sequencing costs due to the changes in dollar exchange rates need to be covered.
 # That the proposal of grants to be funded should be presented to the board for a per capsulam decision.
 # That increased costs due to the changed dollar rates for Hiseq Xten instrument costs can be covered by 2015 SciLifeLab funds (11 120 507 SEK), but has to be approved by the board through a per capsulam decision.
 # That the total amount available for the next round should be defined.

10. Vinnova and the SciLifeLab national partnering initiative

Ina Schuppe- Koistinen and Cecilia Nilsson presented the *SciLifeLab partnering* initiative, with a background from *SciLife Innovation*.
The board appreciated the initiative and supports the proposal to send an application to Vinnova.

11. Open discussions

Olli Kallioniemi initiated a discussion about who should be present in board meetings. The board agreed on that both site managers and the infrastructure Director should be adjunct at all meetings and that other persons can be brought in when needed.
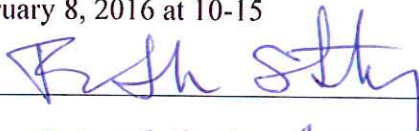
12. Other issues

Fredrik Sterky will contact the board in order to define meeting dates for all 2016.

Upcoming meetings:

* Monday February 8, 2016 at 10-15

Fredrik Sterky, secretary_____

Minutes approved by:
Carl-Henrik Heldin_____

Karl-Eric Magnusson_____

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Appendix 1: Budget 2016

Note: SFO-budgets are not decided by the board. The figures in the SFO-columns are preliminary and included in order to illustrate the complementarity between SFO and National funding.

No	kSEK	Total	National Stockholm	National Uppsala	DDD Stockholm	DDD Uppsala	SFO KI	SFO SU	SFO KTH	SFO UU
	MANAGEMENT									
1	National management group	7 220	3 555	1 905	889	0	217	217	217	221
2	Node management group	743	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	743
3	Site managers	2 969	774	339	194	0	215	215	215	1 017
4	Directors office	1 335	845	240	0	0	83	83	83	0
	SUPPORT FUNCTIONS									
5	Economy	1 972	600	150	150	0	167	167	167	572
6	Communications (incl web)	4 153	2 451	1 032	258	0	0	0	0	412
7	Reporting (statistics, bibliometry)	442	275	66	60	0	0	0	0	41
8	IT support systems	172	56	75	0	0	0	0	0	41
9	Event and university network support	6 185	1 128	864	282	0	0	0	0	3 911
10	Campus Solna support (incl enduser IT-support)	8 700	0	0	0	0	2 900	2 900	2 900	0
	COLLABORATIONS/EXTERNAL RELATIONS									
11	Innovation and utilization	1 068	852	18	198	0	0	0	0	0
12	Science for schools	60	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	40
13	SciLifeLab Day	870	400	370	100	0	0	0	0	0
	EDUCATION									
14	Bioinformatics courses	1 360	600	760	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	Other courses	474	315	135	0	0	0	0	0	24
16	Masters programs	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	RESEARCH									
17	Directors research grant	5 000	3 500	1 500	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	Co-Directors research grant	1 200	840	360	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	Special grant instruments and lab setup (only 2016) Kallioniemi	9 000	6 300	2 700	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	SciLifeLab National Fellows	3 000	2 100	900	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	Strategic recruitments and SciLifeLab Fellows programs	69 500	0	0	0	0	24 000	15 500	12 000	18 000
22	Keystone symposia	300	168	90	42	0	0	0	0	0
23	SciLifeLab Prize	675	378	203	95	0	0	0	0	0
24	Workshop program	437	230	157	50	0	0	0	0	0
25	Research events	1 423	342	0	86	0	167	167	167	495
26	Premises for research groups	3 000	0	0	0	0	1 000	1 000	1 000	0
27	Funding to research groups	32 124	0	0	0	0	3 107	11 083	17 933	0
	RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURES									
28	Road shows / Outreach days	67	32	27	8	0	0	0	0	0
29	Open House and similar events	95	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
30	External evaluation of facilities 2016	1 723	967	517	239	0	0	0	0	0
31	Premises for research infrastructures	13 800	8 640	0	2 160	0	1 000	1 000	1 000	0
32	Platform support (incl IT and webportal development)	5 570	4 546	450	574	0	0	0	0	0
	National infrastructures at other universities									
33	Mass Cytometry (Linköping), Affinity proteomics	2 000	1 400	600	0	0	0	0	0	0
34	Cryo-EM (Umeå), Structural Biology	4 000	2 800	1 200	0	0	0	0	0	0
35	Big data Bioinformatics (Chalmers), Bioinformatics	2 000	1 400	600	0	0	0	0	0	0
36	Integrative Clinical Genomics (Göteborg), Clinical Diagnostics	2 000	1 400	600	0	0	0	0	0	0
37	Translational and Clinical Genomics (Lund), Clinical Diagnostics	2 000	1 400	600	0	0	0	0	0	0
38	U-READ (Lund), Drug Discovery and Development	2 000	0	0	1 400	600	0	0	0	0
39	Swedish NMR Centre (Göteborg), Structural Biology	3 000	2 100	900	0	0	0	0	0	0
40	Systems Biology (Chalmers), Bioinformatics	2 000	1 400	600	0	0	0	0	0	0
41	Metabolomics (SLU), Metabolomics	3 000	2 100	900	0	0	0	0	0	0
	National infrastructures at host universities									
42	National Genomics Infrastructure	51 681	26 500	25 181	0	0	0	0	0	0
43	Bioinformatics	17 000	5 900	9 000	0	0	0	0	0	2 100
44	Structural Biology	7 000	7 000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
45	Chemical Biology Consortium Sweden	6 000	5 000	1 000	0	0	0	0	0	0
46	Affinity Proteomics	19 000	15 500	3 500	0	0	0	0	0	0
47	Bioimaging	4 800	4 800	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
48	Functional Genomics	10 500	7 600	1 832	0	0	0	0	0	1 068
49	Clinical Diagnostics	12 700	4 100	2 400	0	0	4 000	0	0	2 200
50	Drug Discovery and Development	47 126	0	0	29 266	14 850	0	0	0	3 010
	Regional infrastructures									
51	Zebrafish	2 000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2 000
52	Biological Visualization	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
53	BioMaterial Interactions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
54	Array and Analysis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
55	Mass Spectrometry-based Proteomics	1 100	0	0	0	0	1 100	0	0	0
56	Pilot facilities	16 013	0	0	0	0	2 667	2 667	2 667	8 013
57	Infrastructure investments	1 400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1 400
	Total costs	402 967	130 365	61 790	35 050	15 450	40 622	34 998	38 348	45 343

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Appendix 2. New nomenclature for platform and facility executives

The board decided that to change the nomenclature for platform executives according to the list below. The decision replaces earlier decisions about the nomenclature.

New title	Old title	Responsibility
Director of Infrastructure	Platform responsible in the operative management group	Responsible for the development of all platforms including the evaluation of the platforms. Reports to the Center Director.
Platform Director	Executive Platform Director	Responsible for a specific platform. Reports to the steering board for the platform and the Director of Infrastructure
Vice Platform Director	Vice Executive Platform Director	Normally comes from the other node as compared to the Platform Director. Reports to Platform Director.
Facility Director	Platform Director	The strategic and scientific leader of a particular facility. Reports to the corresponding Platform Director.
Head of Facility	Facility Manager	The operational responsible for a particular facility. Reports to the Facility Director.