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## The national board of Science for Life Laboratory

### Minutes from board meeting nr 18 2016-02-08

**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, Susanne Odung (§3), Hanna Glimsjö (§3)

#### Appendices:

1. Panel members for the evaluation 2016.

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#### 1. Introduction

Carl-Henrik Heldin opened the meeting.

##### Decisions:

- The board approved the minutes from meeting nr 16 and 17.
- The board appointed Margareta Olsson Birgersson to adjust the minutes in addition to the chair.

#### 2. Quarterly report

Olli Kallioniemi presented current work within the management group.

#### 3. Annual report 2015

Olli Kallioniemi presented the annual report for 2015 that will be sent to the Ministry of education as a supplement to the Annual report of KTH.

##### Decisions:

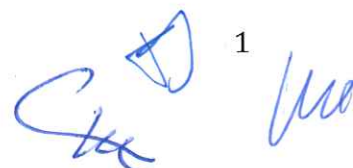
- The board decided to approve the annual report and hand it over to the vice Chancellor of KTH and the KTH board.
- The board assigned to Olli Kallioniemi to suggest a new format and a new model for the annual report 2016 at the board meeting in September.

#### 4. New Infrastructure Director

Lena Claesson-Welsh presented a plan for the recruitment of a new Infrastructure Director.

##### Decision:

- The board approved the proposal of a 50% appointment for an interim Infrastructure Director for a person working within one of the four host universities. The announcement will be made immediately. Olli Kallioniemi

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*was asked to present a plan for the recruitment of a permanent Infrastructure Director at the next board meeting.*

## **5. Evaluation of facilities**

Lena Claesson-Welsh presented the plans for the evaluation of facilities during 2016, including names of the suggested panel member.

### Decision:

*- The board approved the proposed panel members according to appendix 1.*

## **6. Regional facilities**

Olli Kallioniemi described the history of *Regional facilities of national interest* that do not have any national funding. The management group is working on a model for the life cycle of facilities, which will replace the old model with *Regional facilities of national interest*.

### Decision:

*- The board decided that "regional facilities of national interest" will not be within SciLifeLab operations from Jan 1, 2017. After this date, they will be removed from scilifelab.se and other information channels, and will not be allowed to use the SciLifeLab brand for their activities.*

## **7. Support for National projects**

Olli Kallioniemi presented ongoing work with the national projects decided on the last board meeting. One project was identified to need additional bioinformatics support and KAW has approved funding of a coordinator for the projects on the KAW-grant. However, there is a need to complement the overhead costs for the coordinator from SciLifeLabs funding.

### Decision:

*- The board decided to approve an additional funding of 300 kSEK from the KAW grant for bioinformatics support to the group of Mårten Fernö. The board also decides to allocate up to 200 kSEK from the SciLifeLabs allocated funding for the national projects to cover overhead costs for a project coordinator.*

## **8. Outcome of the VR-evaluation**

Olli Kallioniemi presented the outcome from the VR-evaluation of SciLifeLab 2015 and actions planned to meet the advice given.

## **9. Organizational changes**

Olli Kallioniemi presented ongoing work with adjustment of the organization in order to meet comments from VR, SAB and internal work. The main goal is to create a more clear organization and an integrated organizational and financial model with the host universities for mutual benefit and a more efficient work in SciLifeLab.

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Decision:

- The board decided to ask Olli Kallioniemi to present a draft of a new "rules of procedure" (arbetsordning) to the next board meeting

**10. New board members**

Olli Kallioniemi informed that a decision about new SciLifeLab board members will be taken by the KTH board on February 18, 2016.

**11. KTH-representative in the management group**

Olli Kallioniemi informed the board about the vacancy in the position as Infrastructure Director, and that KTH at present does not have any representation in the management group.

Decision:

- The board decided to approve Peter Nilsson, KTH, as a member of the management group from February 8 to June 30, 2016.

**12. Data storage and management**

Olli Kallioniemi presented the situation where problems with data storage solutions limit the production rate in genomics and potentially also for other facilities. This is a severe problem that needs involvement and support from the host universities. SciLifeLab rely on external parties now, but needs to take lead in this issue and build a solution from inside and out. The board is in favour of this development.

**13. Definition of SciLifeLab Faculty**

Olli Kallioniemi presented a proposal for a new definition of the SciLifeLab Faculty. The board discussed the purpose of the Faculty, the expectations and benefit for the members, and how to make membership more appealing.

Decision:

- The board ask Olli Kallioniemi to present a new proposal at the next board meeting.

**14. Other issues**

Gunilla Westergren-Thorsson asked about the status of the potential call for protein production facilities that were discussed during 2015. The issue has not been discussed recently due to the new scenario that occurred with the KAW grant for production of proteins (the Wallenberg Centre for Protein Research) in collaboration with AstraZeneca and KTH, UU and Chalmers.

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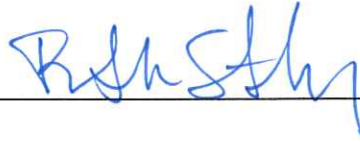
**Upcoming meetings:**

May 24, 2016, at 10.00-15.00 in Stockholm (Alfa 3)

September 7, 2016, at 10.00-15.00 in Stockholm (Gamma 6)

November 15, 2016, at 10.00-15.00 in Stockholm (Gamma 6)

Fredrik Sterky, secretary

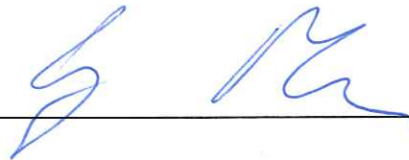


Minutes approved by:

Carl-Henrik Heldin



Margareta Olsson Birgersson



## Appendix 1: Panel members for the evaluation 2016.

### Evaluation panel 1 (National Genomics Infrastructure (NGI), Clinical Diagnostics & Functional Genomics)

- Torben Falck Orntoft, Aarhus University (panel chair)
- Jan Korbel, EMBL, Heidelberg
- Vladimir Benes, EMBL, Heidelberg
- Tim Aitman, Univ of Edinburgh
- Reinhard Büttner, Univ of Köln
- Sarah Teichmann, EMBL-EBI & Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute, Cambridge
- Joris Vermeesch Univ of Leuven (written report only)
- Jonathan Knowles, Basel/Helsinki (IAB member)

### Evaluation panel 2 (Drug Discovery and Development (DDD) & Chemical Biology Consortium Sweden (CBCS))

- Kjetil Taskén, Biotechnology Centre of Oslo (panel chair)
- Brian Hubbard
- Cathy Tralau-Stewart, UCSF
- Hainan Fu, Emory Univ., Atlanta
- Robert Williams, Cancer Research UK, London
- Sirpa Jalkanen, Univ of Turku (IAB member)

### Evaluation panel 3 (Affinity proteomics, Structural biology, Bioimaging and Metabolomics)

- Michael Sattler, Univ of München (panel chair)
- Matthias Wilmanns, EMBL, Hamburg
- Rainer Pepperkok, EMBL, Heidelberg
- Marius Ueffing, Univ of Tübingen
- Jörg Hoheisel, DKFZ, Heidelberg
- Oliver Fiehn, UC Davis,
- Jan Elleberg, EMBL Heidelberg (IAB member)
- Yoshihide Hayashizaki, RIKEN (IAB member)

### Evaluation panel 4 (Bioinformatics: BILS, WABI and UPPNEX)

- Emmanuel Barillot, Institute Curie, Paris (panel chair)
- Jaap Heringa, Vrije Univ Amsterdam
- Rolf Apweiler, EMBL-EBI Cambridge
- Emanuele de Rinaldis, NIHR, London
- Douglas Kell, U Manchester
- Sören Brunak, Technical Univ of Denmark (IAB member)

