



Minutes of the IOCB Board Meeting No. 10/2018 on October 23, 2018

Present: Ullrich Jahn, Pavel Jungwirth, Pavlína Maloy Řezáčová, Radim Nencka, Tomáš Obšil, Radek Pohl, Petr Svoboda, Pavel Šácha

Excused: Petr Slavíček

Guests: Zdeněk Hostomský, Barbora Fričová, Dušan Brinzanik, Veronika Palečková, Luboš Rulíšek

Secretary: Irena Valterová

The minutes of the last meeting were unanimously approved.

1. PR Office. The representatives of the PR Office responded to points raised in the document sent to the director by M. Hocek (twitter, Wikipedia, IOCB website). The conclusion is to improve the communication between IOCB scientists and the PR Office. The Board and the PR representatives will keep in touch and closely cooperate.

2. Database of Awards. V. Palečková (IOCB Project Office) suggested creating a database of available awards with short descriptions, deadlines, and links to providers. Especially information on those awards where a recommendation of the Board is needed is important to give the Board enough time to study the nominees. V. Palečková will cooperate with U. Jahn in completing the database. The list of available awards will be then posted on the IOCB website.

3. IOCB Endowed Chairs. The director gave an update on the negotiations at UCT and UK. A progress was achieved with Charles University. The director discussed with the Dean of the Faculty of Science. A specification will be “Drug Discovery”, a call for a position endowed for a three to five year term is in preparation. The laboratory will be located at BIOCEV.

4. Detlef Schröder Seminars. L. Rulíšek discussed with the Board aspects of continuation of these seminars. The original meaning was to scout for talented scientists. The focus is planned for synthetic organic chemists.

5. Cooperation with J. Heyrovský Institute of Physical Chemistry. A full-day joint meeting will take place on November 13, 2018. The seminar will be reminded to the group leaders on the next director’s meeting.

6. Joint Meeting of the IOCB Supervisory Board and the IOCB Board of Institution. The date has been set to December 13, 2018 at 3:30 PM. The meeting will take place at IOCB

(director's meeting room + seminar room A.3.44 for separate meetings). A tour through the new and reconstructed buildings for the Supervisory Board members will be arranged.

7. *Women in Science*. At the last meeting with Prof. Mélanie Etheve-Quelquejeu, a question on possibility of an IOCB-owned kindergarten arose. Would a kindergarten in the planned building in Papírenská Street an option? The director responded by mentioning that the option of an IOCB-owned has been discussed earlier, but not enough parent-scientists were interested. Furthermore, a kindergarten would represent many law-connected and hygienic challenges that may not be easy to meet. The director promised to ask at the HR department how many families-employees may be interested.

8. *IOCB topics, information by the director*. i) Reconstruction of the IOCB-owned villa at Glinkova Street for accommodation of visitors will soon begin. There will be 15 apartments (3 floors). ii) Cooperation with Olomouc University and the idea of founding a new joint faculty – no progress so far. iii) Cooperation YEDA (Czechia-Israel) works; Two concrete cooperations are envisaged. iv) The Interview Day meant for students who are considering to start their PhD studies at IOCB will take place on March 21 or 22 in a coordination with the Institute of Molecular Genetics. The selected students will start their PhD studies in October 2019. v) The Martina Roeselová Foundation will award four mother-scientists. The winners will be invited to the IOCB Christmas party where the grants will be officially handed over. vi) No application for internal IOCB grant has been submitted in due time.

The next Board meeting will be held on December 13, 2018, 17.00 (changed!!).

November 24, 2018.