
Minutes of the IOCB Board Meeting No. 11/2021 on December 03, 2021

Present: Ullrich Jahn for the old Board, Jan Černý, Martin Dračínský, Michal Hocek, Pavel Jungwirth, Pavel Majer, Petr Slavíček

Online connected: Radek Cíbulka, Pavlína Maloy Řezáčová, Kvido Stříšovský

Guest: Zdeněk Hostomský

Secretary: Ullrich Jahn

1. *Constitution of the new IOCB Board* (chaired by Ullrich Jahn): The newly elected IOCB Board assembled and members introduced themselves to each other.
2. *Election of the Board Chair and Vice Chair* (chaired by Ullrich Jahn): The Board *nominated* two candidates for its Chair: Pavel Jungwirth and Michal Hocek. The Board elected Pavel Jungwirth in a secret vote as the Chair of the new IOCB Board (6 votes for PJ, 2 votes for MH, and 1 abstained).

Pavlína Maloy Řezáčová and Michal Hocek were nominated as candidates for the Vice chair of the IOCB Board. The Board elected Michal Hocek as the Vice chair (5 votes for MH, 3 for PŘ, and 1 abstained).

The newly elected Chair took over the direction of the meeting.

3. *Preparation of the election of a new IOCB Director*. The Board received the documentation from the previous election from Ulli Jahn in advance. The Board discussed advantages and disadvantages of possible call options and favors an as broad as possible international call.

An Election committee should be nominated. The Board discussed potential candidates and will approach them due course to receive their agreement to serve. The text of the call, the selection committee, and deadlines of the election process will be fixed at the next two meetings.

4. *Approval of a IOCB Budget change*. To prepare a successful tender for the purchase of the approved cryo-electron microscopic equipment, the proposed investment in the IOCB budget was suggested to be increased by about 15 %. The Board received the documentation from the Economic department and approved the increase of the planned budget unanimously.

5. *Information from the IOCB director*.

- a) Visit to Gilead and the next phase of the GSRC

The director visited Gilead Sciences and informed about a new framework of the GSRC, which is currently discussed at Gilead Sciences. The research center should be reframed to a more focused, target-oriented structure in the view of Gilead Sciences. The specific structure and aims will be provided as they are communicated by Gilead Sciences.

- b) Promotions and new titles/groups related to the meeting of the International Advisory Board (IAB) in September 2021

The management prepares a Director's decree concerning the promotion of Milan Vrabel's and Ed Curtis's groups to senior status, the internal reassignment of E. Kudova's and M. Polasek's targeted research groups to the junior group status and concerning the progress of reassignment of J. Vondrasek's group to the senior group status.

c) Refinement of the Distinguished Chair status

The IAB recommended a refinement of the Distinguished chair status at IOCB. Their proposal: The Distinguished Chair is an award rather than a promotion to a next career category. Distinguished chairs should also report, without being evaluated, about their research activities at IAB meetings. These changes, as well as refinement of the process toward retirement of Distinguished Chairs will be discussed at the next meetings.

d) Visit to Scripps and possible collaborations on co-development of selected compounds/projects

The director discussed options for common projects with Scripps, which will be likely more oriented toward advanced applied projects.

6) *Free discussion.* The director is suggesting to keep IOCB Board proceedings in English language. The Board is rather in favor of natural evolution in this matter but flexible as needs are evolving.

The next IOCB Board meetings are scheduled for:

December 14, 2021, 14.00: Joint meeting with the IOCB Supervisory Boards

January 6, 2022, 10.00: Regular IOCB Board meeting

December 10, 2021