



## Minutes of the IOCB Board Meeting No. 4/2023 held on April 6, 2023

Present: Pavel Jungwirth, Michal Hocek, Radek Cibulka, Martin Dračínský, Pavel Majer, Pavlína Maloy Řezáčová, Petr Slavíček, online Kvido Stříšovský

Excused: Jan Černý

Guests: Jan Konvalinka, Veronika Palečková

Secretary: Irena Valterová

The program of the meeting was approved unanimously.

- 1. Additional Investment. I. Starý requested a re-consideration of his application for the scanning electron microscope. He and L. Rulíšek (Methodical Board) were invited to clarify the issue. I. Starý explained the function and advantages of the instrument as well as interest of other IOCB group leaders in using it (J. Kaleta, T. Slanina, P. Bouř). The physical space for the instrument would be within the new CryoEM facility. The instrument would be operated by Martin Švec who would be hired for 100 % of his working capacity. The Methodical Board issued a recommendation to go ahead with the purchase provided that there is IOCB money available. The Board discussed the operating costs and recommended that groups using the instrument should contribute substantially. The Board then voted and with the above recommendation, the majority supported the view of the Methodical Board.
- 2. *IOCB Internal Grants*. V. Palečková prepared a new version of "Proof-of-Principle" grants. The changes were discussed and accepted. A version that includes additional comments will be sent to the Board for final approval.
- 3. Director's information.
  - a) IOCB is a partner in application for teaming grant within the frame of Horizon Europe. The applicant is International Institute of Molecular Mechanisms and Machines (IMoL) of the Polish Academy of Science, other partners in addition to IOCB are University Medical Center in Göttingen, Fraunhofer Institute for Translational Medicine and Pharmacology, Göttingen, and Weizmann Institute for Science, Rehovot.
  - b) IOCB retreat will take place in May 2024. Valeč and Karlovy Vary are in consideration as potential sites for the retreat.
  - c) First spring "happy hours" will take place on April 20.
  - d) The Director is in contact with the rector of Charles University concerning potential financial participation in equipping the labs within the planned Campus Albertov.
  - e) CryoEM construction work will start at the end of April.
- 4. Information from the Learned Society of the Czech Republic. A panel discussion "Gender and equality in science" took place on March 21. M. Hocek as the moderator of the discussion will provide a detailed information about this event at the next Board meeting.

5. IOCB Archive. D. Šaman is willing to go through old photos and try to identify people and date the photos. The paper archive in the souterrain of building C will be physically examined by the Board during the next meeting. The key from this archive should be with M. Baňková. It would be interesting to have a report on the construction and later development of the IOCB buildings from architects. P. Jungwirth will contact architects from the School of Architecture of the Czech Technical University to try to obtain more information. The electronic archive obtained from Z. Havlas will be offered to the Communication department for storing.

The Board set dates of the next meetings in spring 2023:

May 11 at 14:30

June 27 at 10:00

Minutes taken by I. Valterová

April 11, 2023