KTH SciLifeLab committee meeting

Minutes from meeting no 3

Date: 2022-05-03

Place: Earth, Gamma 2, SciLifeLab, Tomtebodavägen 23A, Solna
Zoom: https://kth-se.zoom.us/j/66236684673

Present members: Amelie Eriksson Karlström, chair of the meeting, ID (CBH)
Hjalmar Brismar (SCI)
Lucie Delemotte (SCI)
Afshin Ahmadian (CBH)
Kevin Smith (EECS)
Peter Nilsson (CBH)
Mathias Uhlen (CBH)
Kevin Smith (EECS)

Other participants: Mats Kronborg (GVS, secretary)

Absent members: Annika Stensson Trigell, Vice president (Adj)
Emma Lundberg (CBH)
Sandra Falck (Adj)

Agenda:

1. Notes from last meeting (see attachment: “Minutes SciLifeLab committee meeting no 2”)
2. Report from the Strategic Council (Amelie + Hjalmar)
3. Report from the Campus Solna Committee (Amelie + Hjalmar)
4. New SciLifeLab Fellow (Amelie)
5. Other issues

Meeting formalities
Amelie opened the meeting, presented the agenda, and opened the floor for other items to be added to the agenda.

Mats was appointed to take notes and Lucie to adjust them.
1. **Notes from last meeting (see attachment: “Minutes SciLifeLab committee meeting no 2”)**

   Notes from last meeting were accepted.

2. **Report from Strategic the Council (Amelie + Hjalmar)**

   **SciLifeLab Group Leader Definition**
   There are currently 258 SciLifeLab group leaders of which 230 are at KTH/KI/SU/UU.
   Being such a big group it’s seen as important that all SciLifeLab group leaders have a clear affiliation to SciLifeLab.
   This is not something that has previously been enforced.

   **DDLS**
   The DDLS Fellow recruitment is still ongoing.
   The top-ranked candidates for the two KTH positions have been approved for DDLS funding but no employment contracts have been signed yet.
   Lukas Käll is the new KTH representative in the DDLS reference group.

3. **Report from the Campus Solna Committee (Amelie + Hjalmar)**

   The Campus Solna Premises Plan is now Public.
   It serves as a prospect for the future and things that will need to be taken care of.
   The increasing rent costs are brought up as a potential future problem.

   **IT at Campus Solna**
   There was a discussion of what should be provided by the IT staff at Campus Solna and what should be provided by the universities. It’s seen as important that the joint SciLifeLab money should not be spent on things that are already being paid for by universities. Backup software are brought up as a potential such area.

   **Campus Solna Rebuilding Project**
   The Delta refurbishment is in progress.
   Audio/video systems have been upgraded in CS meeting rooms.
   The reception of these new systems thus far have been good.

   **Rental Cost**
   An investigation in rental models to in order to increase transparency will be instigated.
   A discussion was had regarding KTH and the other universities view on the rent levels and how it could affect the engagement at Campus Solna and SciLifeLab.

   **Campus Solna Rent Contract Renewal**
   The 6-year rental contracts will have to be renewed.
   As useful documentation before renewing the contracts the Campus Solna Committee is a form to be sent out to group leaders to map the activity on the Campus. It is discussed that the purpose behind this form should be to get a better understanding what people are doing at Campus and not an evaluation of the groups.
   Transparency is brought up as a key word.

   **Campus Solna Director**
   Per Ljungdahl has been the Campus Solna Director at 60% for two years and will continue for at least one more year.
   (May 1st, 2020 - April 30th, 2023).
The steering documents regulating the Campus Solna Directors tasks will be decided on the SciLifeLab Board meeting on the 31st of May. The general consensus for Per as the Campus Solna Director seems positive. A desire of the role being compatible with other activities was brought forward and whether this would mean that the percentage for the role would need to be increased from the 60% it is today.

RED grants
There's a suggestion to increase the annual contribution from each CS university for joint activities from 4MSEK to 5MSEK to allow for annual postdoc calls. Reception of the suggestion was positive. What followed was a discussion whether the definition of the calls was too narrow. An argument to keep it narrow was to not lose the core of SciLifeLab. There was also a suggestion to include cross university collaboration in the description.

4. New SciLifeLab Fellow (Amelie)

Three topics were discussed on the last meeting and the committee decided to go forward with the EECS suggestion and work on the subject description so it compliments with the DDLS fellow description while avoiding overlap. This is still the view of the committee and the new description should be expected for the next meeting.

5. Other issues

The 14th of June is unsuitable for some of the members for the next meeting. It will be rescheduled to the 13th of June at 10:00.

Next meeting

June 13th at 10.00-11.30. Zoom and IRL.

Mats Kronborg

Mats Kronborg, secretary

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Lucie Delemotte, approved to check the notes