KTH SciLifeLab committee meeting

Minutes from meeting no 8

Date: 2023-02-02

Place: Water, Gamma 2, SciLifeLab, Tomtebodavägen 23A, Solna
Zoom: https://kth-se.zoom.us/j/69665681486

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

Other participants:
Mats Kronborg (GVS, secretary)

Absent members: Annika Stensson Trigell, Vice president (Adj)

Agenda:

1. Notes from last meeting (see attachment: “Minutes SciLifeLab committee meeting no 7”)
2. Report from the Campus Solna Committee (Amelie + Hjalmar)
3. KTH News of relevance for SciLifeLab
4. Meeting dates for the spring
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 Kronborg was appointed to take notes and Kevin Smith to adjust them.
- Notes from last meeting (see attachment: “Minutes SciLifeLab committee meeting no 7”)

Notes from last meeting were accepted.

- Report from the Campus Solna Committee (Amelie + Hjalmar)

- Campus Solna Committee strategy meeting, January 11

- Space issues
Regarding the space issues the general consensus still seems to be that Campus Solna should be expanded into the beta building.
It was mentioned that the space issues must not inhibit new recruitments from ending up at Campus Solna.
There was a discussion how the space could be used more efficiently with flex desks for people working from home for example.

- Fellows location at Campus Solna

- Possible new research themes at Campus Solna
Three suggestions for further discussion:
Biomarker Verification platform for application in medical and environmental studies
Theoretical computational biology
Human biosphere within the urban environment

These themes could act as a way to unify groups for promoting Campus Solna.

- KTH News of relevance for SciLifeLab

- New Management organization
The new KTH president (Anders Söderholm) and deputy president (Mikael Lindström) have visited SciLifeLab/Campus Solna as part of their “KTH campus visits”
It was noted that the new KTH President has already visited Campus Solna twice and more visits may follow as he will visit all departments at KTH spread out over 2023.
The meetings have deemed to have been very good.

Mikael Lindström is responsible for research infrastructure, strategic partnerships, strategic collaboration, and strategic research funding.

A new vice president for research is under recruitment

Annika Stensson Trigell continues as the KTH representative in the SciLifeLab Board until the middle of 2023 as well as being part of the recruitment committee for a new director.

A discussion followed regarding potential replacements for Annika on the SciLifeLab committee board with candidates being Mikael or the new vice president for research and the responsibility of the different management roles both at KTH and Campus Solna and SciLifeLab.
• Meeting dates for the spring
Suggestions (one week after the scheduled Campus Solna Committee meetings):

March 22nd
May 3rd
June 14th

• Other issues

There have been many complaints regarding the new speed gates put in place to prevent thefts and increase security. Some ideas were brought forward in order to remedy some of the worst issues such as a code that could make it easier for large groups to pass or moving some of the speed gates.

• Next meeting

March 22nd at 10.00-11:30. Zoom and IRL.

Mats Kronborg

Mats Kronborg, secretary

Kevin Smith, approved to check the notes