

**Agenda for SBSP telephone meeting
February 26th, 2015**

Present : Brian Lassen, Vaidas Palinauskas, Gunita Deksnė, Jakob Skov, Pikka Jokelainen, Ulrika Forshell (minutes). Absent: Rebecca Davidson

1. Accepting new members

Hubert Ferté (FR) was accepted for membership by all after voting by email.

2. Applications for travel grant (Ulrika)

The applicants are: Dovile Bukauskaite – Vector-borne *Haemoproteus spp*, Elena Platonova – avian malaria, Zanda Esīte – *Alaria alata*, Suranjana Nandi – anthelmintic efficacy of *C. viscosum* on *Paramphistomum cervi*

Brian observed that we have 4 x EUR 500 grants to award and that all applicants qualify. Gunita wondered if we should award the max to each or only the amount that they applied for. All present agreed that the maximum amount should be awarded all applicants. Pikka suggested to ask that they all confirm that they are indeed going.

Ulrika will email and advise the recipients, and ask for international account info to enable transfer of funds. The money will be paid from the Baltic account. Once travel confirmation has been received by Ulrika, Vaidas will take care of the transfers.

3. Status of PayPal registration and website (Brian, Ulrika, Rebecca)

Brian advised that PayPal requires that we have a credit card linked to the organization. Ulrika will ask the bank if such a card is possible. It is desirable that the card is issued to SBSP, and not to an individual.

Brian has had a walk-through with the web designer; everything is set up except for the online payment. After that we can launch the site.

4. Other

Jakob has been contacted by a Danish honorary member regarding free attendance of CSBSP6. Brian has reviewed old minutes and advised that at the GA at SBSP5 it was agreed that for honorary members the conference registration fee would be covered by SBSP, but no other costs e.g. travel, dinners etc.

Pikka said that they should register as ordinary members and ask for an invoice, which would be forwarded from the organizing committee to the SBSP treasurer who will settle the amount.

There was a question whether the honorary members should all be informed or reminded that the registration fee can be covered for them. Jakob will draft an email.

Brian said that the GA agenda has been published on Facebook and on the website as stipulated and that Rebecca is preparing the treasurer's statement for the GA.