

11th meeting of the board of SBSP, Minutes

Where: Skype When: Tuesday 07 May 2019, 10:30-11:30 Danish time

Aim: Update on things from last meeting and keep things going.

Decision on travel grants available, informing about it, promoting Plan for suitable article to represent SBSP in PAREPI special issue

Board members present:

Pikka Jokelainen (PJ)

Andrea Miller (AM)

Rebecca Davidson (RD)

Guðný Rut Pálsdóttir (GP)

Gunita Deksne (GD)

Vaidas Palinauskas (VP)

Age Kärssin (AK)

Board members absent (with notification):

Andrew Williams (AW)

1. Welcome

PJ welcomed everybody on the current board meeting and shortly introduced the main raised questions for this meeting.

2. Documents

2.1. Minutes of previous meetings are ready for uploading *The minutes from previous SBSP board meetings are available on-line.*

3. Update on CSBSP8-EVPC2019 planning (Pikka, Andrew, Gunita, Vaidas, Gudny)

3.1. Promoting in all countries

Registration and abstract submission are open. Conference planning, sponsorship and schedule organization are progressing. The Board encouranges promotion in all countries and will develop a promotional flyer for email distribution.

4. Update on ICOPAnhagen planning (Pikka, Andrew)

PJ will have a phone conference with the ICOPAnhagen organizer in the coming week.

5. Financial matters (Rebecca, Andrew)

5.1. Decision on available travel grants to CSBSP

RD informs around 1 700 EUR. We can give up to 3 up to 500 EUR travel grants. Young scientist award 200 per each. Upcoming payments of membership for European Federation for Parasitology (0.5 eur per member) about 50-70 Eur in the next few months. Tend to get the bill from the website bill 600 DKK (bill once a year). To keep at least 200 EUR on the unexpected expenses (bills, sending flowers to honorary members). PJ suggest to make for RD and AW the year round money flow. RD/AW are working on financial report to show what are the expenses for the society.

PJ and RD inform that Bank account issue is almost solved.

PJ/RD/AW will check the updated list of paid conference registration fees.

6. Membership matters (Andrea)

- 6.1. Procedure for nominating honorary members has been shared with members *Procedure is finalized and shared with members*.
- 6.2. Update on drafting procedure for nominating for WFP awards *AM will draft the procedure for nominating for WFP awards*.
- 6.3. Ideas for attracting more members?

PJ suggest that SBSP need to advertise more new students and scientists to become members and to take a chance to participate at the conference. Our brochure could be updated with the information on benefits of being a SBSP member. AM will work on the draft that can be circulated.

7. Grant matters

7.1. Texts about some grant receivers to social media, to be used for promotion after this meeting has been drafted (Gunita, Gudny)

The text has been finalized and will be published on SBSP web site and FB.

7.2. Travel grant documents to CSBSP (Gunita, Gudny, Age)

The Travel grant will be announced after circulating it to board members for final comments.

8. Awards at CSBSP (Vaidas, Gudny)

8.1. Young Scientist Awards guidelines have been shared with members

YSA will be announced again when the announcement will be sent on the registration deadline. PJ will announce the YSA on the conference web site. VP informs that the jury will be decided later.

9. All the official aspects of GA (Pikka, Vaidas)

VP has made a list and circulated to the SBSP board on the "Things to do before GA" to be commented.

VP informs about some latest updates in SBSP Board Manual which should be agreed within the GA.

10. PAREPI

10.1. PJ is one of the new Editors

PJ informs on the news regarding the PAREPI journal.

10.2. Criteria for the topic to represent SBSP in Special Issue (see email on next page)

Submit a topic from the SBSP which will be promoted as the work from the specific association. The deadline for the submission is August, 2018.RD suggest a review paper on Climate changes and their influence to specific parasites in Nordic-Baltic region. SBSP board members discussed the possible topic and how to make it relevant to all region (bird haemoparasites, tick-borne diseases; snailborne disease, fish parasites etc., perhaps a research review with avian section, aquatic and terrestrial section).

PJ/VP will work on the draft for the information to share the idea to the members.

11. Minutes of this meeting: compiling, round of comments, to the website (Gunita)

GD will summarize the meeting minutes, share with other board members to comment and then forward them to webmaster for publishing them on SBSP webpage.

12. Main action points agreed:

SBSP will give up to 3 Travel grants up to 500 EUR;

The brochure on the benefits of becoming a SBSP member will be updated;

The Travel grant call will be announced;

A draft will be made to inform the members on the idea of paper for PAREPI.

13. Next meeting 4th of June at 10:30-11:30 Danish time

CSBSP8 update (Pikka, Andrew, Gunita, Vaidas, Gudny)

ICOPAnhagen update (Pikka, Andrew)

Membership matters update (Andrea)

Grant matters update (Gudny, Age)

Timeline for all the official matters to do before GA (Vaidas, Pikka)