

**Meeting date:** 24 March 2022 13.00-14.30

**Meeting place:** 1540-K32

**Meeting subject:** Research and Business Committee, Department of Biology

**Attendees:** Michael Møller Hansen (chair, MMH), Peter Grønkjær (vice chair, PG), Tina Santl-Temkiv (TS), Maya Jepsen (MAJ, observer) and Maria Blach Nielsen (MBN, reporter)

**Absent:** Henrik Balslev (HB)

1. **Approval of Agenda** (13.00-13.02)
2. **Minutes and actions from last meeting** (13.02-13.03)
3. **Briefing from the chair** (13.03-13.20) – Michael Møller Hansen
4. **Briefing from the vice chair** (13.20-13.25) – Peter Grønkjær
5. **Strengthening the departmental basis for interdisciplinary collaborations** (13.25-13.35) – Michael Møller Hansen
6. **Applications for the larger grants** (13.35-13.45) – Michael Møller Hansen – - **Postponed**
7. **One-pager for Novo Nordisk Foundation** (13.45-13.55)
8. **Intercultural collaboration workshop status** (13.55-14.00) - Tina Santl-Temkiv
9. **Prize nominations** (14.00-14.15) – Maria Blach Nielsen
10. **Status on review processes and deadlines** (14.15-14.20) – Maria Blach Nielsen
11. **Any other Business** (14.20-14.30)

**1. Approval of Agenda (13.00-13.02)**

**2. Minutes and actions from last meeting (13.02-13.03)**

Minutes are found at [the staff pages of the department](#). The committee has received the minutes for approval and MBN has received no comments.

**3. Briefing from the chair (13.03-13.20) – Michael Møller Hansen**

- MMH gave a briefing from the Faculty Research Committee.
- MMH gave a briefing from the monthly funding meetings.
  - o There is an outdated term of reference for research committees - made by the ST Faculty. We need to make an up-to-date term of reference for the Research and Business Committee of the Department of Biology.
- Recruitment plan for the department will be discussed at a committee meeting next week.
- The visibility of the committee towards the sections was discussed. It was agreed that the responsibility of the committee members is to 1) collect important needs and discussion areas from the sections; and 2) to share conclusions and discussion from committee meetings with the sections.
- It is time for nominations for DFF Research Council members. Hans Brix and David Egholm will coordinate.

**4. Briefing from the vice chair (13.20-13.25) – Peter Grønkjær**

- No meetings held in the Faculty Business Committee.
- Status on Bio Match: Kasper Urup Kjeldsen and a student will be hosting the “erhvervsprojekt”-stand.

**5. Strengthening the departmental basis for interdisciplinary collaborations (13.25-13.35) – Michael Møller Hansen**

There is an increased focus on interdisciplinarity. Building on the discussion at our previous meeting, the committee agreed that general inspirational talks will not be started at the moment. The committee agreed that it could be beneficial to present information about COST networks at a staff meeting.

PG and TST agreed to share their experiences.

MBN will contact Rikke Rochat from the Research Support Office for information about other COST members from the department. MBN will find more information on deadlines for creating new COST networks.

**6. Applications for the larger grants (13.35-13.45) – Michael Møller Hansen – - Postponed**

Do we need a more structured way to support senior researchers when considering applying for the heavy grants? The committee is requested to discuss the need

and ideas like eg. initial brainstorming groups or other structured support options.

**7. One-pager for Novo Nordisk Foundation (13.45-13.55)**

The Faculty has asked for a one-pager to be used for a continuing dialogue with Novo Nordisk Foundation. We will continue the discussion the next committee meeting.

**8. Intercultural collaboration workshop status (13.55-14.00) - Tina Santl-Temkiv**

Brief status on the workshop which will be organised by the diversity committee at the department. The workshop will include two virtual seminar days after the summer holidays, including all staff. The format is still being discussed.

**9. Prize nominations (14.00-14.15) – Maria Blach Nielsen**

The committee agreed on nominations for the following calls:

- [EliteForsk](#) (Internal deadline: 21 April 2022)
- [Grundfos](#) (Internal deadline 22 april 2022).
- [AIAS Associate](#) - (Internal deadline: 2 May 2022)
- [Villum Kann Rasmussen](#) (deadline 20 April 2022).

**10. Status on review processes and deadlines (14.15-14.20) – Maria Blach Nielsen**

The department received 2 grants from the MSCA 2021. It was discussed how to improve the Master Class process.

**11. Any other Business (14.20-14.30)**

No entries.

**Next meeting:**

**30 March 2022 – Extraordinary discussion of recruitment plan**

**17 May 2022 – Ordinary committee meeting**