



1st meeting of the board of SBSP

Where: online

When: 7.10.2021 13:00 GMT

Key points: CSBSP23 location, ICOPA promotion

Board members present:

Pikka Jokelainen (PJ)
Guðný Rut Pálsdóttir (GP)
Vaidas Palinauskas (VP)
Mark van der Giezen (MG)
Age Kärssin (AK)
Andrea Miller (AM)

Absent with notification:

Gunita Dekšne (GD)
Andrew Williams (AW)

1. Welcome (PJ)
2. Documents (GD)
 - 2.1. *General Assembly minutes circulating for comments*
3. Finances update (AW, MG, PJ)
 - 3.1. EFP fees paid
 - *Fee needs to be paid next week before they have General assembly. MG and PJ will check on AW regarding that.*
 - *Need to have the number of active members for that, AM will provide.*
 - 3.2. Plans for discussion with EVPC
 - *For next meeting.*
 - 3.3. How much we have for grants to attend ICOPA and CSBSP23
 - *Before next meeting, so we are ready to announce around when the registration to ICOPA opens.*
4. CSBSP2023 location (VP)
 - *Good discussion on next location, possibly Estonia. Will take it further on the next meeting.*
 - *About +800 euro profit after CSBSP21.*
5. ICOPA update (PJ)
 - *Save the date e-mail sent out.*
 - *Newsletter to be subscribed*
 - *Registration to be opened soon and fee being discussed*
 - *Promotional toolkit on the website.*
 - *Scientific committee, call out for Nordic-Baltic people in the committee. MG and VP are interested, PJ will inform the committee. PJ and AW are in the committee too.*

- *We could also consider organizing a specific session on Nordic-Baltic parasitology, organizers could be from the board and/or e.g. students*
- *Make it loud!*

6. Membership matters (AM)

6.1. Protocol for WFP award nominations

- *Would be great time to nominate someone from our region, we could ask suggestions from members. AM will get on it after Oct 20.*

6.2. How to attract more members? Unique time now, ICOPA coming!

- *Everyone can become a member!*
- *Attract members by advertising grants for ICOPA.*

7. Website updates and social media (PJ, VP, all)

- *Share a lot of ICOPA and be more active on social media to promote.*

8. Minutes of this meeting: compiling, round of comments, to the website (GD)

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

9. AOB

9.1. Next meetings – next in November, time to be find by doodle

9.2. Group photo/screenshot

