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Minutes of the 27th General Assembly of the SSB+RM

Place: ETH main building (HG), Audi Max

Date: 12:00 – 12:30 on October 7th 2021

Agenda

1. Approval of the agenda of the 27th General Assembly
2. Minutes of the 26th General Assembly
3. Report of the President
4. Report of the Treasurer or representative
5. Report of the Auditors
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7. Report of the Young Scientists
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1. Approval of the agenda of the 27th General Assembly

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- 56 participants (thereof 2 online) as of the start of the GA
- Marcy Zenobi-Wong (MZW) welcomes everyone and informs that all participants of the YS symposium are now also official members of SSB+RM. Afterwards, she introduces the SSB+RM.
- The agenda of the 27th General Assembly is unanimously approved by all participants.

2. Minutes of the 26th General Assembly

- The minutes of the 26th General Assembly are unanimously approved by all participants.

3. Report of the President

- MZW informs about past activities: the general assembly 2020 as well as 4 executive committee meetings were held fully online. In her role as president, MZW represented the SSB+RM in a meeting with other European Biomaterials Societies. Furthermore, she reports on the involvement of SSB+RM in the planning of the ESB 2023 meeting in Davos, Switzerland.
- The 26th SSB+RM Annual Meeting was post-poned to June 7-9, 2022.
- Dr. Xiaopu Wang was awarded to the 2020 Research Award for her thesis “Magnetic microrobots for biomedical applications”
- MZW mentions the ECM journal (non-profit open access), as the official journal of SSB+RM
- MZW thanks the sponsors (Exabone, RMS Foundation, Institut Straumann AG, Celtec Biotek AG, Ectica Technologies, ZuriMED, Biomaterials (Elsevier), Biomaterials Science (ACS), Wiley), the supporters (ETH Zurich, Universitätsspital Basel, Universität Basel, AO Research Institut Davos, Empa, Densply Sirona, Bern University of Applied Sciences, Universitätsspital Zürich, Fachhochschule Nordwestschweiz, Geistlich Biomaterials) for their continuous support, and RMS for sponsoring the annual research award.
- MZW highlights the social media appearances of SSB+RM on twitter and LinkedIn.

4. Report of the Treasurer or representative

- The treasurer (Laetitia Galea, LG) has excused herself and Marina Rubert (MRU, one of the auditors) kindly agreed to take over.

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- MRU presents the accounting for 2020 with a balance of 58'859.12 CHF (budgeted were 48'202.06 CHF), which was caused by less spending in view of the Covid-19 pandemic.

5. Report of the Auditors

- MRU reports that she and Nicola Döbelin (absent) have audited the finances. All was in good order and auditors recommend the society to approve the accounting of 2020. All participants approve the financial report.

6. Election of new Auditor

- No new auditor was elected.

7. Report of the Young Scientists

- Elia Guzzi (EG) presents the YS team with new additions: Daphne van der Heide, Lisa Krattiger and Lorenza Garau Paganella.
- EG reports on their activities: a career path roundtable series with a monthly virtual events form March to May 2021 as well as the YS symposium.
- EG advertises the RMS research award.

8. Election of the Executive Committee

- MZW announces that LG is stepping down from the EC and thanks her for the excellent work as treasurer over the past years. She presents a lifetime honorary membership and some gifts.
- MZW announces that EG is stepping down from the EC, thanks him for his work as YS representative and hands over a gift.
- MZW presents potential new EC members: Anna Marsano (University of Basel), Lucy Kind (Fachhochschule Nordwestschweiz), Yann Ladner (AO Davos) and Marina Rubert.
- The proposed candidates are unanimously elected into the EC by all participants.

9. Election of the President

- MZW proposes Martin Ehrbar (ME) to become the new president of SSB+RM. ME leaves the room, all participants approve the election of ME as new president and MZW hands over to ME. ME thanks MZW (who has been an EC member since 2013) for the tremendous work she did for SSB+RM in her roles as EC member, vice-president and

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president, including the successful meeting at Schulthess clinics in 2015. ME presents MZW with a lifetime honorary membership and a gift.

- The new SSB+RM EC is now: Martin Ehrbar (president), Markus Rottmar (vice-president), Arnaud Scherberich (secretary), Marina Rubert (treasurer), Mario Morgenstern (clinical liaison), Michael de Wild (industry liaison), Queralt Vallmajó (YS liaison), Matteo D'Este (sponsoring coordinator), Marc Petitmermet (webmaster), Maartje Bastings, Matteo Moretti, Mark Tibbitt, Benjamin Pippenger, Anna Marsano, Lucy Kind, Yann Ladner

10. 2022 Annual Meeting

- ME presents the flyer of the annual meeting 2022, which will be held as 2-day event from June 7-9, with a YS seminar on June 7. The topic is "Biomaterials: from innovation to translation". ME thanks the organizing committee consisting of Mark Tibbitt, Queralt Vallmajó and himself.

11. Varia

- ME asks the society members for any varia points, but without response.
- ME thanks all participants and closes the GA

November 23rd 2020

Markus Rottmar (vice-president)
(former secretary)

Martin Ehrbar (president)
(former vice-president)

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Markus Rottmar'.