

<b>Meeting</b> IPAB Staff Meeting	<b>Date</b> 27 April 2017
<b>Attendees</b> Barbara Webb John McAleese Vladimir Ivan Pavlos Andreadis Kartic Subr Ram Ramamoorthy Bob Fisher Suzanne Perry	<b>Apologies</b> Michael Mistry Michael Herrmann
<b>Place</b> Room 3.02	<b>Time</b> 2pm

**1. Minutes of last meeting**

Minutes agreed as accurate.

**2. Matters arising**

Human-Robotic Interaction post: Ram still looking for hosts for candidates.

Barbara to follow up with Alex Li regarding PG selector role

**BW**

**3. Arrivals and departures**

**Arrivals**

Image & Vision Computing post: an offer has been made and accepted.

Human-Robot Interaction interviews 15<sup>th</sup> May

Bob's student Luis final copy of dissertation. Leaving on Saturday.

Tom stone passed his viva.

Graham Henderson offered position of head of Gait Lab at NHS Glasgow.

CDT studentship student Chris McGreavy will be working with Sethu for three months.

New Director of Commercialisation has been appointed. Jim Ashe will start in July, and will be keen to meet with all Institute Directors.

#### **4. New Grants and Proposals**

Kartic

1 year GCRF royal society – wildlife conservation

Sethu

Involved in three proposal for H2020 – two resubmission and one new.  
One GCRF healthcare, 25<sup>th</sup> May deadline.

Ram

Alpha project; kick off is in three weeks – will be recruiting for a post doc soon. If anyone has someone suitable, let RAM know.

John McAleese – collaboration agreement in place.

Reminder that success stories for grants should be sent to the communications team.

Tim and Michael partners on H2020 projects – gone in.

Bob John and Pixie working on something, interested on image enhancement.

Hitachi – Sethu extension of project. Sethu to speak to John.

#### **5. Budget and Resources**

Nothing discussed; Portfolio manager not present.

#### **6. Business Development**

Bob's distance learning: now five that are flipped for distance delivery. All offered through dist course. Trying to promote these to companies to provide service and income. Not got far yet.

John and Michael Mistry meeting companies next month Toto and Galiford try (construction) getting a pitch on robotics/IPAB.

Request from student to make a Patent on soft maggot robot. Barbara to talk to them.

IP workshop (Michael Herrmann)

## **7. IPAB webpage**

Sethu thinks a better design should be done for the website banner.

Offer a prize for winning entry to design something.

News items for web:

- Sethu spoke at science festival (action SP to have a look)
- IIG grant Sethu and Raquel; local fund for small projects, about the Valkyrie and scientific front. Six short films and one long one. Long film premiered at science festival.

Ram to send items to level 1 admin for addition.

Barbara going to Australia to give a talk

## **8. Teaching**

Discussed IPAB teaching allocations. Looks like everything will be covered ok.

## **9. IPAB space within the new building**

Vlad chatted with Tom - re power and outlets. Able to choose how power is distributed on the first floor.

## **10. IPAB workshops and seminars**

Nothing discussed,

## **11. Student Issues**

Numerous complaints from students regarding things not working (taps, toilets, coffee machines). Lots of concern about security and that Informatics isn't doing enough to fix these things.

## **12. Computing Issues**

Nothing discussed.

### **13. Admin issues**

Nothing discussed.

### **14. Socials**

Nothing discussed.

### **15. Directors Business**

Nothing discussed.

### **16. AOB**

More and more people wanting to come and find out more about robotics; at the moment this is going to be Sethu although it's becoming unmanageable.

John suggested quarterly show and tells that can be signed up for.

Another suggestion was for spending IPAB budget on part time administrator to deal with all of these requests. Sethu disagreed. Barbara thinks this could be made more of a role for level 1 admin.

Ram would like the demonstrations of robots be more streamlined; students aren't keen to use time doing this.

Potential to be shown through the lab and show some video sequence before demonstrations

Suggestion that the Bayes could be configured in such a way people can walk down a corridor and look in rather than go in to disturb.

### **17. Date of next meeting**

Next meeting scheduled for Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May – room 3.02 2pm