Meeting Notes april 21 2011

ToDo:

Jaap and Jori should work on the wiki until tomorrow. Jori and Jaap will send letters to some more funds till the end of next week. Rodrigo will write letters to international companies until next Thursday. jakub will talk to Emeraldo and Berke. Jaap will organize the meeting in Amsterdam with other iGEM teams. Olesja will ask Rodrigo to ask his professor to give us a lecture. Christoph will write Vessa an email with some information on iGEM and synthetic biology. Joyce and Rodrigo will meet and spent some thoughts on possible human practices. Everyone should spent some thoughts on an application. Biologists should think on possible experiments in the lab and make a rough sketch/plan.

Wiki:

The Wiki is open (team.igemgroningen.com). You should have an e-mail with your log-in. It is empty right now but Jori will add the contact information, an agenda a ToDo list and an calendar until tomorrow evening. Jaap will transfer his data from his own wiki to our new one. Sponsoring: A first bunch of letters has been sent to funds. To get money from the university funds we need to write specific letters for each fund. When we can think of an application we should focus on companies specific for this application in hope to get money. Jori and Jaap will send letters until the end of next week. Rodrigo will write international companies until next Thursday.

Membership updates:

Navessa will rejoin our team. She will attend to the meetings and can work fulltime on the lab from mid-July till mid-September. Jakub will make a personal appointment with Berke and Emeraldo to talk about their contribution to the team and their participation. To solve the ECTS problem he will consult Oscar. We will get informed via e-mail.

Dutch iGEM meeting:

We agreed to go there on a Friday. Probably the 6 Of May. We could go there by car or with the train. This would cost 30€ for each foreign student. We could pay this from our iGEM account. Jaap will make contact and organize the meeting for us.

Organizational stuff and group discussion:

Rodrigo thinks we should listen more and talk openly to each other. Jori would like the things to be more transparent and requires a weekly update in some form. Jaap is not very happy with the communication in the group. He demands Jakub to be more organized and try to manage the group better than before. He also offers to take the position of the chairman. Olesja points out, that we might split the position in one biological/lab chairman and one overall-organizational chairman. Many concerns are mentioned because this might also not work... Finally the group decides, that Jakub stays chairman. He promises to be more organized in the future and to take care of all the responsibilities of his role more serious. Someone came up with the idea of a weekly feedback round to talk about things that are going wrong or well.

Project decision:

We decided to pick up the idea Jakub, Jori and Christoph worked on. We need to think of an application. But more importantly should begin the modeling ASAP and also should think of how to test the separate modules for functionality in the wetlab.