

Minutes

RISP Winter Meeting, October 14th 2015

In attendance (35): Basam Aswad, Ali Amin, Mariana Canepa, Maria Garcia Moliner, Andres Matoso, Nimesh Patel, Murray Resnick, Lijuan Wang, Lisa Goldstein, Donald McDougall, Gengshen Yu, Xiaopin Zhou, Fusun Gundogan, Mai He, Stefan Kostadinov, Michele Lomme, Halit Pinar, Cherie Paquette, Weibiao Cao, Shaolei Lu, Cunxian Zhang, Ruisheng Yao, Tarek Jazaerly, Elizabeth Kalife, Madhu Ouseph, Eugeny Yakirevich, Palavi Patil, Michael Punsoni, Ann Tseng, Nour Almardini, Yiang Hui, Xin He, Liz Edmund, Yihong Wang, Stephanie Wood.

- Dr Amin called the meeting to order at 6 pm.
- Dr Amin called for motion to accept the minutes from September 2nd meeting. Minutes accepted unanimously.
- Dr Kostadinov gave a financial report of the Society. \$15,802.47 on balance.
- Dr Amin called for nominations for next Secretary/Treasurer. Vote on the nominee Dr Bassam Aswad. Accepted unanimously.

Dr Aswad is an Assistant Professor in Pathology at Brown Medical School and a staff pathologist at Rhode Island Hospital/Lifespan Academic Medical Center. He graduated medical school at the Faculty of Medicine, American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon. He did post graduate training in Laboratory Medicine at the American University of Beirut and a Molecular biology training at the Erasums University, Rotterdam, The Netherlands. He also did residency in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology at Eastern Virginia Graduate School of Medicine, Norfolk, VA and a fellowship in Surgical pathology at Rhode Island Hospital/ Brown Medical School.

- Dr Amin introduced the guest speaker Dr Elizabeth Montgomery from John Hopkins University.

Dr Montgomery is a Professor of Pathology, Oncology, and Orthopedic Surgery and Director, Clinical Gastrointestinal Pathology at John Hopkins University. She has written nearly 300 publications, 42 book chapters and edited or co-edited 15 books. She is also an extremely well-funded researcher.

- Dr Montgomery gave a lecture on “Gastrointestinal Spindle Cell Lesions, The Best of Soft Tissue Pathology and Gastrointestinal Pathology”

Adjournment