

## **Minutes of the RAMPS board meeting (3/21/2017)**

**Present:** Larry Rothenberg, Jussi Sillanpaa, Ziad Saleh, Klaus Hamacher, Michael Lovelock, Thomas Petrone, Dustin Lynch, Gil Cohen

### **1. Minutes from board meeting 2/21/2016**

The minutes were reviewed and approved

### **2. Response from NYC DOH to RAMPS letter regarding Article 175**

Thomas Petrone spoke with Assistant Commissioner Boyd. The DOH acknowledged receipt of the letter, which is now being reviewed by their legal department. The new article 175 is expected to be available for public comment at the end of summer. RAMPS will form a working group to comment on the new regulations and will likely ask for the comment period to be extended from the standard 30 days.

### **3. Failla expenses (Jean emailed Keith for a receipt)**

We're still waiting for the final invoice.

### **4. History poster deadline (April 28<sup>th</sup>) and date for Vacirca YIS**

The Vacirca symposium will be held on April 25<sup>th</sup>. Ziad Saleh, Cesar Della Bianca and Gil Cohen will make adjustments to this year's poster. For next year, we may organize a poster competition.

### **5. Scientific Symposium**

The President-Elect is organizing the symposium, which will be held on June 9<sup>th</sup> at the Rockefeller Auditorium. Five speakers have already been identified. Two vendors have also confirmed they will be attending.

### **6. Committees & Other Business**

We will give the President and the President-Elect access to the investment account (currently only the Treasurer can access it). The membership of several committees, including Nominations, History and Media, will be updated in the near future.