

BREA Minutes (accepted by voice vote at BREA March 21, 2017 meeting)

Meeting Date and Place: Tuesday Feb. 14, 2017; 1:00 PM, BNL Bldg. 400 RSB rms. 1&2, Upton, NY
Minutes recorded by Secretary Arnold Moodenbaugh.

Attendees: Victor Cassella, Dave Cox, Les Fishbone, Louise Hanson, Joe Indusi, Georgia Irving, Mark Israel, Lillian Kouchinsky, Bill Leonhardt (future member), Beth Yu Lin, Alfredo Luccio, Al Mallen, Corinne Messina, Arnold Moodenbaugh, George Oldham, Tom Oversluizen, Liz Seubert, Steve Shapiro, Barry Siskind, John Skalyo.

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President Liz Seubert opened the meeting at 1:05 PM. Sign in sheets were circulated for attendees, with names collected shown above.

1. Minutes. Liz Seubert circulated the January minutes. (Draft minutes had previously been posted on the BREA website.) Minutes were then approved by voice vote, with the proviso that the meeting location for the March meeting will be changed to South Room, Brookhaven Center.

2. Treasurer's Report. Steve Shapiro noted that acknowledged obligations were paid by check. Additional dues were deposited in BREA account. He also noted a continuing interest in making a contribution toward the Tesla science center. However no specific proposal has yet been identified.

3. Membership Report. Beth Lin reported that 32 previously lapsed members paid dues, and 58 remain unpaid. There are now 399 members current with dues. A member inquired whether contact information for another member might be available from BREA records. It was recommended that the request be referred to BREA officers, who then can forward the message to the addressee or contact the addressee for permission to provide information to the requestor. Steve Shapiro recommended that BREA ask prospective members in registration form(s) for a preferred method of communication (mail or email).

4. Newsletter. Information on upcoming newsletters was relayed from the editor to Liz Seubert. Ideas for upcoming newsletters include stories from retirees living in more distant locations. Cheung lives in France near CERN; Andy Feldman from Florida has photographic documentation on 9/11 that he may be willing to discuss. An upcoming newsletter should contain information on the annual lunch as well as a reminder for members to keep dues current. A few death notices will be included in future issues. A notice announcing the Free Screening for former BNL Workers program should be included in a future issue (see 6 d) below).

5. BREA annual lunch. One or two volunteers are needed to arrange the next BREA lunch, since the previous organizers are unavailable this year. Preferred date is Wed. June 7 or Th. June 8. Location will probably remain Bellport Country Club, if the venue is available.

6. BREA in the community. **a)** Eric Forsyth's scheduled talk at Berkner Hall on sailing was postponed due to weather. It will be rescheduled for a later date (possibly late March or April). **b)** Liz Seubert will have a representative from Little Flower at the March BREA meeting to explore possible scientific mentoring for Little Flower children. **c)** Mark Israel reported on the Feb. Community Advisory Committee CAC. A minor cooling leak at RHIC was discussed by M. Toscano and J. Remien of BNL. Monitoring of groundwater shows no observable levels at this time. CAC usually meets the second Thursday of the month in Berkner Room B at 600 PM or 630 PM. Schedule and agenda are at: <https://www.bnl.gov/stakeholder/CAC-meetings.php>. Liz Seubert suggested that members contact their Congressman and Senator to provide to them their views on science research and funding. **d)** George Oldham suggested that Dr Hailoo of the Free Screening for former BNL Workers program give a presentation. Liz Seubert agreed, and they will make arrangements. A notice should also be made in the newsletter. Retirees wanting more information can call 888-241-1199 or email info@worker-health.org. **e)** Jackie Mooney will NOT arrange the monthly informal Lunch by herself (previously first Tuesday of the month at noon). Any prospective attendees must contact her at 631-928-3205.

Meeting was adjourned about 1:55.

Next BREA meetings are scheduled for:

March 14, 2017 - South Room Brookhaven Center [Ed.: meeting rescheduled due to inclement weather; meeting took place Mar. 21, 2017, in Bldg. 400]

April 11, 2017 - RSB Rooms 1&2 (Bldg 400)

May 9, 2017 - RSB Rooms 1&2 (Bldg 400)

June 13, 2017 - South Room Brookhaven Center

July 11, 2017 - RSB Rooms 1&2 (Bldg 400)

(locations tentative; check location in Agenda posted on BREA website the week of the meeting)