

BREA Minutes (approved by voice vote at July, 2018, meeting)

Contact Information:

Brookhaven Retired Employees Association BREA:

BNL Bldg. 400A

BERA Recreation / Attention BREA

Upton, NY 11973

Meeting Date and Place: Tuesday June 12, 2018; 1:00 PM, BNL Building 400 Conference room 1, Upton, NY.
Minutes recorded by Secretary Arnold Moodenbaugh.

Attendees: Cheryl Conrad, Les Fishbone (phone call-in), Pat Flood, Eena-mai Franz, Mark Israel, Robert Kinsey, Jim Lemley, Beth Yu Lin, Corinne Messana (phone call-in), Ken Mohring, Lois Moller, Arnold Moodenbaugh, Elizabeth Seubert, Steve Shapiro, Donald Sievers, Barry Siskind, Ed Sperry.

Officers 2018-2020: President: Steve Shapiro shapiro@bnl.gov; Vice President: Bob Kinsey bobkin@optonline.net; Secretary: Arnold Moodenbaugh moodenba@optonline.net; Treasurer: Lillian Kouchinsky lkouchin@yahoo.com; Membership Secretary: Beth Lin hellobylin@yahoo.com; Newsletter Editor: Mona Rowe msrowe.hi@gmail.com.

1. Call to order. President Steve Shapiro opened the meeting at 1:00 PM. Sign in sheets were circulated for attendees, with names collected shown above.

2. Minutes. Draft minutes of the May meeting were circulated. Approval of the minutes was deferred to later in the meeting, since draft minutes are no longer being posted on the BERA/BREA website.

3. Treasurer's Report. Steve Shapiro reported for the absent Lillian Kouchinsky. Balances were little changed since the May meeting. A modest subsidy for the luncheon will be accounted for at the July meeting.

4. Membership Report. Beth Yu Lin reported 364 are paid to date; 320 of those have email addresses. Four renewal checks were received since the last meeting. (more renewals overdue from Jan. 1 may still be received). A request for a members contact information was received; a defective check was replaced by the submitter.

5. Community Affairs Council CAC. There was no May CAC meeting. Monthly CAC meetings are open to the public. They are usually held the second Thursday of most months at 6:30 PM in Berkner Hall, Room B.

6. Newsletter. Report from Mona Rowe was unavailable due to problems with the telephone call-in system. Mona Rowe tried calling, but were unable to connect. Corinne Messana and Les Fishbone were eventually able to connect later in the meeting.

7. Annual BREA Luncheon: Bellport Country Club, 12:00 - 4:00 Wednesday June 13. Liz Seubert chose linens to be used at the luncheon. Hors d'oeuvres were scheduled to be available from 12:15 to 12:45. John Hill was confirmed as guest speaker. Raffle was planned to be 50:25:25, so there would be two winners, each getting 25% of the collected amount. About 70 members were paid up by the time of the meeting.

8. Talk at BREA meeting next month. Ken White is scheduled to speak at July BREA meeting about the BNL educational programs and plans for Discovery Park.

9. Field Trip. Ken Mohring is planning a field trip to the Cornell Research Farm on Long Island's north fork. There could be about 30-50 attendees. There would be a short talk and a walking tour of the farm, with the visit lasting possibly two hours. It was noted that the walking tour might not be appropriate for some BREA

members. Tuesday, Sept. 18 is the likely date. Costs are minimal. There may be a lunch arranged afterward at the nearby Cider House or another venue.

Steve Shapiro suggested another possible excursion: a visit to the SUSB Southampton Marine Facility. The visit would include a boat trip into Shinnecock Bay. There would be a fee of about \$40 for the tour.

10. BNL Emeritus Policy. Emeritus status will be initially granted for a 5 year term, with 3 year renewals. Performance of many tasks would require compensation by BNL, and in those cases, emeritus status would likely be suspended or revoked to be replaced by a guest appointment. Consult BNL's web pages for details.

11. BREA Logo. Steve Shapiro has received proposed Logo designs from Ken Mohring, Eena Mai Franz, Dave Cox, Liz Seubert, and John Skalyo.

12. Other Business: **a) By-law modification.** Currently there are two classes of members, Regular (retired) members and Associate (currently employed by BNL). Should associate members be eligible to vote on BREA business? The by-laws may not be clear or consistent on this issue. This should be reviewed for potential revision of by-laws. **b) Employee Compensation Physical.** A member who signed up for the Employee Compensation Physical may have somehow been directed to a non-participating physician. BREA officers will follow up to review this issue.

1. Minutes. Minutes of May 2018 meeting were approved by voice vote.

13. Adjournment. Meeting was adjourned by voice vote.

Future meeting dates are tentatively scheduled to take place at 1:00 PM in rooms 1&2, RSB Bldg. 400 at BNL on the second Tuesday of the month: July 10, (no regular meeting in August), Sept. 11.