

BREA Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2013

Attendees: Dave Cox, President, Steve Shapiro, Ken Mohring (by phone), Eena-Mai Franz, Carmen Benkovitz, Rich Skelton, Vic Casella, Myron Strongin, Liz Seubert, Bob Brown, Nate Carter, Frances Scesney, Mona Rowe, Les Lawrence, Anita Cohen, Arnie Peskin (minutes)

The meeting was called to order at 1:05pm by President Cox. The minutes of the March meeting were approved. Shapiro gave a brief treasurers' report.

Old Business

There was discussion of the Medical screening program procedures for non-cancer-related claims. Cox said he would 'try the system' with respect to his complaint of hearing loss. Casella clarified some procedure points; he indicated that Dr. Hailoo seems to be expediting such claims.

Benkovitz reported that there were three or four additional members since her last report. The total number of individuals in the data base is now 335.

The Annual Luncheon arrangements were discussed. Skelton and Mohring presented the costs and options; the luncheon price was fixed at \$39pp with a modest subsidy from the treasury. Publicity and outreach were discussed, especially regarding the next BREA newsletter. Menu choices were outlined and discussed.

The next newsletter will be finalized in a week or so. Cox indicated he will raise the question of the publication/distribution cost subsidy when he meets with Bob Lincoln of HR. It was pointed out that information beyond our newsletter is available from Lab web pages, including links to the In Memorium column, BERA events, and other information of interest to BREA members.

New Business

Cox and Peskin raised the idea of a congratulatory note to Doon Gibbs on his permanent appointment as Lab director. The idea was approved and there was some discussion of points to be made and wording, including an invitation to attend the Luncheon. Cox will devise a final draft in the coming days.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:12pm.