

BNL RETIRED EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (BREA)  
MINUTES of Monthly Members' Meeting----April 10, 2007

Attendance: Graham Campbell, Dave Cox, Alyce Daly, Renee Flack, Carol Kramer, Harriet Martin (Sec.), Flo O'Brien, Arnie Peskin (VP), Richard Skelton, Myron Strongin (Pres.)

Myron Strongin opened the meeting and the Minutes of the meeting on March 13, were read by Harriet Martin, and accepted.

Dave Cox volunteered to take care of the returns of checks for the Annual Luncheon. Flo O'Brien said that 8 invitations were sent out and the one sent to Director Sam Aronson will not be used. Renee Flack suggested that it be used by Lillian Kouchinsky, who is Administrative Asst. to the Director but Lillian declined, citing pressures of work.

Graham Campbell then spoke about the pricing of drugs sent on order by mail. He wrote an article for the latest BREA Newsletter, asking members to please contribute letters about their experiences and cost comparisons. Arnie Peskin joined this discussion by telling us of some mistakes he noticed made by the Cigna drug provider, and told us that drug costs can be compared online with other providers, such as local drug stores. Some of those present also spoke of TIAA-CREF discrepancies.

Myron then addressed the Lecture Programs, and proposed that we have them at Berkner in Rm.B, rather than the auditorium. It was also suggested that we advise attendees to bring lunch and that BREA would provide tea, coffee and cookies! This was unanimously approved.

Dave Cox, Membership Chair, asked to waive dues for first year retirees, and offer a five year membership for \$40, and lifetime membership for \$100. This discussion was tabled till the May 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. Flo O'Brien asked that the Luncheon Committee meet at 11:30 at the May meeting, and then we adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Harriet Martin.