## **Minutes**

**To:** BREA Executive Committee

**CC:** Committee members

From: Alyce Daly, Secretary AD

**Date:** 23 March 2004; 12 noon – 1 pm

**Re:** Meeting Actions

**In attendance**: President Joyce Tichler, Vice President Lew Jacobson, Treasurer Barney McAlary, Secretary Alyce Daly, Membership Chair Dave Cox, Sonja Santos, Graham Campbell, Jules Godel, Y. Renee Flack, Richard Skelton.

Prior to the Executive Board meeting, Renee Flack met with the BREA Luncheon Committee to discuss progress made in drawing up a 'to-do' list and to continue this process and then present a draft of the plan to the Executive Committee. Congressman Tim Bishop (1<sup>st</sup> CD) has accepted our invitation to attend our luncheon 27<sup>th</sup> May 2004. Present at this meeting (11 am – noon) were Chair Renee Flack, Florence O'Brien, Sonja Santos and Alyce Daly.

There was some discussion of a member's concern about CIGNA outsourcing phone resources to Ireland. Those present did not see this as a current problem. It was agreed that the member will be invited to attend our next board meeting to discuss his concerns about BNL's CIGNA coverage.

Dave Cox reported that he sent out approximately 70 Newsletters to members whose current address caused a delivery problem. Our database is now current. It was also agreed that condolences would be sent to the family of a member who has died and the survivor asked if the Newsletter should continue to be sent. Joyce will send out the condolences. Dave also reported that there were returned non-deliverable newsletters for which he cannot find addresses. Dave will contact Human Resources to see if they can provide the missing addresses. A question was raised about membership qualifications; it was again stated that membership is open to all community residents interested in BNL.

Questions were raised about what procedure, if any, the Laboratory follows upon notification of the death of a retired employee. Jules will contact Human Resources to ask for information about this.

Renee Flack then reported on the work of the Luncheon Committee. She displayed a beautiful poster she designed with the BREA logo on it; the logo will be used on the invitations. It was reported that neither BERA or Human Resources were able to pay for the cost of invitation printing and mailing for the luncheon this year. Therefore, it was recommended and approved by the board that dues be charged annually and the fiscal year was set as October  $1^{st}$  – September  $30^{th}$ .

To increase our funds, there will be BREA T-shirts available for sale at the luncheon and on our Web site. Additionally, there will be a 50-50 raffle offered. Renee was authorized to sign a contract with our entertainment group. Those present agreed with these plans and they were adopted unanimously.

In view of the financial questions raised by the Committee, Treasurer McAlary stated that currently, we are in good financial health.

The meeting ended at 1 pm. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 27 April 2004.