MINUTES OF APRIL 27 BREA BOARD MEETING

1 Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted

2 Database – Dave Cox has resolved all but six of the cases in which mail on the mailing list was undeliverable.

3 Condolences – The lab doesn’t necessarily have info on deceased employees. Joyce Wund knows if TIAA has been notified of a death. HR does not send a condolence letter when notified of death of a retired employee.

4 Loss of coordination of benefits – Joyce was told by a BREA member that the member lost coordination of benefits when her husband, also a retired BNL employee died. If correct, BREA should publicize this. Joyce will seek clarification.

5 The lab is having an Elder Care Fair on June 16 from 11 to 1:30 at Berkner. BREA will participate by manning a table with membership handouts and a Poster. Joyce, Renee, Lew, and Sonia will participate.

6 Medicare changes – Elliot gave a rundown on the Medicare situation. We don’t know what changes are likely but we should expect the worst. We should ask the Lab to commit to talk to us before any medical benefits change is made. Tim Bishop is expected to discuss Medicare at the luncheon.

7 We plan to start charging dues on an annual basis as of Oct 1 2004. Ten bucks. Information about this should be put on the web site.