BREA Minutes

From: Dave Cox (Secretary)

Date: Wednesday, June 10th, 2009

In Attendance: Arnie Peskin, Ken Mohring, Dave Cox, Graham Campbell, Alyce Daly, Florence O’Brien, Eena-Mai Franz, Frances Scheffel.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Arnie Peskin, at 12:05 p.m.

The minutes of the May 13th meeting were accepted without any changes. There were no matters arising.

A financial report for the previous four months was presented by the Treasurer, Ken Mohring. The balance on May 31st (including most of the revenues and expenses for the June 4th luncheon) was approximately $22,000.

Arnie Peskin congratulated Flo O’Brien and other members of the Luncheon Committee on an excellent job in organizing the event, which was a great success enjoyed by all. In her report, Flo mentioned that 88 people had attended, many of whom had stated a preference for the Bellport Country Club over the Three Village Inn in Stony Brook. The raffles were also successful, producing a profit of about $180, although there had been some confusion caused by the use of two sets of tickets.

Arnie Peskin reported that Gayle Haines, the organizer of the Lighthouse Safaris trip planned for September 10th, had requested a non-refundable deposit of $300. It was agreed that this amount should be paid, and that the event would be publicized in the Bulletin, the BREA newsletter and website, and by e-mail to the BREA membership.

Arnie Peskin gave an update about the issues faced by retirees wishing to retain lab e-mail addresses. He and Graham Campbell were planning to attend a meeting scheduled for next Friday (June 19th) at which it was hoped that some of these issues could be resolved. BREA members were reminded that procedures for subscribing to a variety of lab mailing lists could be accessed on the BREA website, www.brea.bnl.gov.

Arnie Peskin read a letter he had just received from Slava Vero, Co-Coordinator of SeniorNet, Huntington (a national all-volunteer organization dedicated to the education of seniors with regard to computers and the information age), inviting BREA members to attend a get-together on July 10th, 9 am to 12 noon, at a new learning center planned for the east Yaphank area. It was agreed that a representative of the organization should be invited to attend the next monthly meeting.
At the request of the President, it was agreed to change the date of the next monthly meeting to Wednesday, July 1st.

The meeting was adjourned at 12.45 pm following a motion made by Ken Mohring seconded by Dave Cox.