

**BROOKLYN/STATEN ISLAND CHAPTER EMERGENCY NURSES ASSOCIATION
MINUTES**

MEETING DATE: September 28, 2011

LOCATION: Beth Israel Hospital, Brooklyn, New York

TOPIC	DISCUSSION & ACTION	ACTION	RESPONSE PERSON
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 8PM. Attendees: Maria Giganti, Chapter President, Dr A. Sealey, President elect, NYSCENA, J. Mondesir, Past Chapter President, J. Thomas-Julien, Denise Harris, A. Alleyne Excused: Ivy Budhai-Henry, Chapter Secretary		
Presentation	None for this meeting		
Approval of Minutes	Minutes deferred		
President's Report	Highlights of the recent annual ENA General Assembly and conference held in Tampa, Florida were shared with the members including resolutions approved and rejected.		
Treasurer Report	Carol Fazio outlined the importance of accountability of the chapter funds and HSBC ensuring that chapter funds are appropriately deposited to the correct state chapter account		
Secretary's Report	Deferred. Ivy Budhai-Henry absent		
Membership	Chapter membership is 300 paying members. Efforts are being made to encourage more participation of members in the chapter's affairs		
Education	TNCC scheduled for The Brooklyn Hospital was canceled. The Director of Nursing Education for the hospital did not think that this was a needed course for the ED nurses, despite the fact that the hospital is in a vulnerable area of Brooklyn with the new		

	<p>Sport stadium, a very busy shopping area and a major highway in close proximity to the hospital.</p> <p>TNCC will be held in Brooklyn at The Brookdale University Hospital in January 2012</p> <p>911 Scholarship fund is still on. The state needs to get \$100,000 in order to have a permanent yearly scholarship award to a nursing student. Members are asked to purchase 911 scholarship pins</p>		
Communication	Ms Giganti explained to the group that it is easy to use our web site to send out reminders about the chapter's activity and meeting with "Merge Mail" features		
Conference	See President's report		
Injury Prevention	No report		
Old Business	Membership is still on. Each member reminded to bring one.		
New business Nurse week January 2012 NYSCENA Legislative Meeting	<p>Emergency Nurses week starts 10/9/11. The chapter will distribute a plaque with the THANKS sentiments to each emergency department in the Brooklyn/Staten Island chapter.</p> <p>NYSCENA President Elect – Dr A. Sealey, outlined the state of the proposed hospital closures by the Berger Commission in the chapter districts – Brookdale, Wychoff Heights, Interfaith, and the impact that this move will have on the remaining EDs – overcrowding and staffing issues</p> <p>Members reminded of the January State Council meeting to be held January 23 and 24, 2012 in Albany New York. This meeting will be a legislative meeting not a breakfast meeting as it was previously called. There are lots of issues to be discussed and members are asked to inform their state legislators about this meeting. Issues relating to patient care especially emergency department patients will be discussed</p>		

Election of New Officers	<p>There were no new nominations, and the present leadership have accepted to remain for another year - 2012</p> <p>Maria Giganti – President J. Mondisir – Past President Carol Fazio - Treasurer Ivy Budhai-Henry - Secretary</p>		
Adjournment	<p>The meeting ended at 9PM. The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, November 30, 2011, at a location to be determined. Members will be informed via email and blast merge mail.</p> <p>.</p>		

Respectfully Submitted,