

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

MEETING DATE: November 30, 2011
New York

LOCATION: Downstate University Hospital , Brooklyn

TOPIC	DISCUSSION & ACTION	ACTION	RESPONSE PERSON
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 7P by Maria Giganti, President . Members present: Ivy Budhai-Henry, (Secy), Carol Fazio, (Treasurer), Jeff Levine, RN, Sarah Machlis, Sara Neochli, Soyinlca Joseph, Gail Crawford, Hazel Christian, Donareen Denny, Howard Sandau, Terry Hunte, Monique JeanMichel, Nicole LeRouge, Edward Levine.		
Presentation	Lecture on the “Role of Intraosseous Access” presented by EZ-IO. The nurses had the opportunity to do hands on practice with the clinical nurse specialist – Dan Smith from Vidacare.		
Approval of Minutes	Minutes from the September 28, 2011 meeting were reviewed, accepted and seconded with no corrections.		
President’s Report	Maria reviewed the chapter’s activities from Nurses week. She received many thank you for the plaques which were distributed to all the EDs in the chapter. Members were also encouraged to open their e-mails and to visit the national, state and chapter websites frequently to get updated information about the ENA activities. The Berger Commission has been very active looking at closing or reorganizing hospitals in Brooklyn which will greatly impact how ED nurses function. Some of the urgent issues that we need to consider are <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A) Violence against ED nurses/doctors B) Heath care cuts and the effect on patient care C) The role of indigent hospitals in the new healthcare bill. 	Nurses invited to attend the January meeting in Albany	

Treasurer Report	Carol Fazio delivered the Treasurer's report. HSBC is still charging the chapter \$25.00 maintenance fee each month.	Carole will consult with the State Treasurer on this matter	
Secretary's Report	Minutes reviewed and accepted with no corrections.		
Membership	Chapter membership is 270 paying members. Efforts are being made to encourage more participation of members in the chapter's affairs		
Education	911 Scholarship fund is still on. The state needs to get \$100,000 in order to have a permanent yearly endowment scholarship award to a nursing student. Members are asked to purchase 911 scholarship pins. TNCC will be held at Brookdale University Hospital Medical Center in January		
Communication	We need articles for the BSIENA newsletter. Send articles to ibudhaihen@aol.com The NYCENA newsletter is now online. The 4 th quarter edition is now available along with archived ones. Congratulations to Hazel Christian who received the nurses' week council's membership renewal award.		
Conference	ENA Leadership will be held in New Orleans 22-26 February 2012. Registration is now open. Setting the Pace 2012 will be held in Saratoga April 19 -20, 2012. This is our state conference, members are urged to attend. Excellent speakers and networking provided		
Injury Prevention	No report		
Old Business	Membership drive is still on. Each member reminded to bring one. Membership applications were distributed		

<p>New Business</p> <p>NYSCENA</p> <p>Legislative Meeting</p>	<p>January 23 and 24, 2012 will be the Legislative meeting, to be held in Albany, New York. The nurses are encouraged to attend this meeting. It gives us the opportunity to meet with our legislators and to present issues which impact on daily patient care. Nurses should inform their community state legislator that they will be in Albany to meet them. Some of the topics to be discussed are those outlined by Ms Giganti in her report to the nurses.</p>		
<p>Election of New Officers</p>	<p>Members were invited to consider running for office for 2013 – Chapter President, Secretary, Treasurer.</p>		
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 8:30PM</p>		

Respectfully Submitted,
IVY BUDHAI-HENRY, RN