

# EBBE group

Expand Business Beyond Expectations

## Meeting Minutes- April 16, 2009

- Meeting started: 7:15 am
- Members in attendance: 8  
[Andrew, Bramucci, Corigliano, Forrest, Gilligan, Krainson, Moran, Ramsey]
- Guests: none
- Introductions: none
- Speaker: no speaker
- Referrals: 3
- Testimonials: 0

## Agenda

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:15 am by Bill Gilligan.
2. 60 second round table commercials- Norm Corigliano mentioned that there is a new product- Technobloc for facing old concrete steps. If anyone is interested, they should contact him.
3. Discussion of possible outside speakers- Oscar Ramos of Ramos Tax Accounting was suggested as a possible speaker- topic- Use of Quick Books for business accounting.
4. This month's luncheon was held at J.Quincy's Restaurant on April 14 and there were 8 attendees. The location and setup was found to be good for face to face networking so it was decided to continue holding future luncheons at the same place/ time.
5. This month's "After 5" event will be held on April 21- at J. Quincys. Members are encouraged to attend and bring a prospective member and/or their spouses. Prospective members are treated to a drink and dinner by the member who will be reimbursed later by EBBE.
6. There will be Wine Tasting Networking Event sponsored by the East of the River Chamber (East Longmeadow, Longmeadow, Wilbraham....) at Spoleto's Restaurant on Thursday, April 23 from 6 – 8 PM. Check our EBBE blog for additional details.
7. There was discussion about the possibility of our group participating in a group activity such as helping out with Loaves and Fishes, helping a needy senior citizen with home repairs, cleanup, etc. Wayne Ramsey indicated that he would speak to the director of the Wilbraham Senior Center to determine if there are suitable projects for our group. Members in attendance thought that this would be a very worthwhile activity for our group.
8. A restart of the "one on one" member interactions to increase understanding of each other members business services and products was discussed. Members in attendance thought that this was a worthwhile activity.
9. EBBE membership dues (\$125) were due by the end of March and all delinquent members were asked to pay them. Bill Gilligan will send a letter to all members asking that they pay their dues before attending the next meeting.
10. Next EBBE meeting is April 23 at 7:15 am.