

Probus General Meeting of April 27, 2017

The meeting was called to order by president Barry Chapman at 9.30am.

Moved by Trevor Cradduck and seconded by Phil Wilson that the minutes of the March 23 meeting be adopted as corrected.

President Barry informed members that Wally Kilback had passed away. His service will be held on May 28, 1.30-4.30 pm at the Nanaimo Curling Club.

Membership

Dan reported we now have 198 members with 80 in attendance today. New members Judy Schell, Iris Neumann and Terry Bunzenmeyer introduced themselves. Patty and Ed Volk were introduced as guests.

Treasurer

George reported a balance of \$9,682.60 to March 31, 2017.

Vice-President

Joan reported that our speakers for May and June will be:

May – Jeff Lewis, a geography professor from VIU will speak about climate change;

June – Joan Ryan from the Lifeline program will bring us up to date on new equipment that is available.

Joan indicated she has volunteered to chair the summer BBQ committee, which will be held at Cottonwood Golf Course on Tuesday Aug. 22. Joan asked for a show of hands to see who might like to golf prior to our BBQ.

Past President

Phil Wilson spoke to the election of officers for the upcoming year. He, Trevor Cradduck and Gary Brothers have met in this regard. Phil asked the membership for volunteers to fill the vacant positions.

Sunshine

Dianne has sent out nine cards to date and she thanked the ladies who filled in for her while she was away. Dianne introduced those with April birthdays and led the group in singing Happy Birthday.

Excursions

Lynda Farrell highlighted some of the trips she is working on.

- there is a sign up sheet out for a trip on the Frances Barkley from Port Alberni to Bamfield. Lynda asked that those who wish to have accommodation in Port Alberni need to let Lynda know prior to mid-May as that is as long as the hotel will guarantee rooms.

Lynda also indicated she was looking into a trip to Britannia Mines / Whistler. She asked the members their preference as to how to do this trip. #1 by charter bus at an approximate cost of \$400 all included, #2 to make our own bus arrangements, or #3 to car pool. 20 members indicated a desire to go with 10 of those preferring option #1.

Convenors update - Drinks & Appies

Barry reported there used to be a number of people attending, but a number of these people have moved into smaller accommodations and most do not have enough room to host. Barry asked that those who cannot host an event themselves consider teaming with another couple who would have the room to accommodate the group. We would also like to encourage those in assisted living to attend.

The meeting was adjourned by the president at 10.02am .