

MINUTES OF PROBUS GENERAL MEETING

June 22/2017

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

It was moved by Trevor Craddock and seconded by Keith McGregor that the minutes of the May 25 2017 PROBUS general meeting be adopted. Motion Carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Barry informed members of a couple of kayak trips that are in the works. One will be to Horne Lake and the other around Protection Island. Barry asked that those who are interested in going kayaking to contact either himself or Vivian.

MEMBERSHIP:

Dan and Sharon reported we now have 198 members. Dan introduced John Savage a guest from England. John is Graham's brother.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Our speaker today is Joan Ryan from the Lifeline Program who will update us on new equipment that is available. Joan will be assisted by Trevor Craddock.

The July speaker will be Mike Hooper. Mike is the President and CEO of the Nanaimo Airport Authority and he will be speaking about his job and future plans for the Nanaimo Airport.

Mary Holland brought us up to date on plans for our summer BBQ at Cottonwood Golf Club on Tuesday Aug 22. Tickets are \$25 for members and \$31 for guests – 43 tickets have been sold to date. Golf prior to our activities is available for those interested. The committee is looking for help to run some of our activities.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

George reported we have a cash position of \$3173 as well as a \$5000 term certificate for a total balance of \$8173.

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

In Phil's absence, Barry advised that the forms are available for anyone interested in putting their names forward for the vacant executive positions. Interested parties can also contact either Trevor Craddock or Gary Brothers.

EXCURSIONS:

Lynda Farrell reported on the excursions planned for this Summer and Fall.

The trip to Bamfield will be on July 9. 14 members are going with three couples staying overnight in Port Alberni. Those going need to be on the dock by 7.30am.

September 6 and 7 is the planned trip to Britannia Mines and the Sea to Sky Gondola. The bus has room for 29 passengers, and a full bus will mean the lowest cost for those going. Linda has put out a signup sheet. She needs to know who will be going by August 1st to guarantee hotel reservations.

WALKING GROUP:

Doreen Schaefer advised members the next hike is to Newcastle Island. The ferry leaves the dock at 10.00am and participants need to bring a lunch.

NEW ACTIVITY – MEMOIR WRITING GROUP:

Margaret Pierce and Giselle Roeder are the facilitators for this group and offered a detailed description of their plans to carry this forward. The first session will start on September 14th and run through to December 7th. The first and third Thursdays of the month from 9.30 – 11.00am are the planned dates. For further information please contact Margaret Pierce at 250-390-4893 email marmar8306@gmail.com or Giselle Roeder at 250-933-6563 email giselleroeder@hotmail.com.

SUNSHINE REPORT:

Janet McGregor (for Dianne) reported 2 cards had been sent out since last meeting. Janet introduced June's birthday celebrants and led in the singing of Happy Birthday to those lucky people.

The meeting was adjourned by the President at 10.00am, followed by Coffee and the day's speaker.