

OCTOBER 2025

BATTLEFORDS PROBUS CLUB

Official Minutes of the Battlefords Probus Club

Date:

Thursday Oct 16, 2025

Time:

10am - 12pm

Location:

Smitty's Restaurant, NB

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

George Plews

President

Evelyn Skotniski
Vice President

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Deb Breiman
Secretary

Johanne Stolz
Treasurer

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Chris Pollard
Speaker Chair

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Gerry Walker *Past President*

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Present: George Plews (Chair), Susan McLean Tady, Deb Breiman, Gerry Walker, Becky Stroo, Johanne, Chris Pollard, Evelyn Skotniski

George called the meeting to order and Evelyn was welcomed as the new Vice President.

Minutes of last meeting were approved by Chris.

Treasurer report: \$3,053.38 bank balance as of today. \$200 deposit has been put on Wild Life Building.

Speaker update: L. Raiche, Accountant, speaking on Estate Planning at next meeting. Thomas Fransoo, Lawyer, will be speaking in November on estate planning from a legal perspective.

Membership: Sharon Spence has had to take a break so Becky will remain in the position until her return. Becky will do the name tag order with her so that she has that experience for when she does return.

Dues MUST be paid by Oct. 21. We have 50 members paid and 26 outstanding. George will send an email requesting payment by the deadline or a reply that you no longer wish to be a member.

We will update Probus Canada after the next meeting. Johanne moved to pay the \$100 loan from Probus for our accreditation fee. Gerry seconded. Carried.

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Don Ross has been booked and paid until November. It is also booked for 2026 but not paid yet.

Fred Light Museum tour was successful and enjoyed by those attending.

Christmas - Wild Life Building is booked for Dec. 16. Sigstad's Catering is also booked but they will need numbers by the end of November (or 8 days prior at the very least). Gerry and Carol will organize the event. Gerry already has a high school student booked to play the keyboard. Becky moved that we pay him \$50 and provide a meal for him and his driver. Chris seconded. Carried. There are round table cloths at the Fred Light Museum. Evelyn will inquire whether we can rent them for our dinner. If not, we will get plastic ones at the Dollar Store. Each meal will cost \$27. Susan made a motion that we charge \$20 per meal for members and the club pays the remainder. Non-members will pay \$30. All other expenses will be covered by club. Gerry seconded. All in favour.

Deadline for payment of Christmas meal is at November meeting. Pay Johanne.

We will have a collection of food or cash for the Food Bank at our Christmas dinner.

Club Directory - George will update it after next meeting.

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New business - need a bio for Vice President and Membership Chair. Also a picture to put on Web Page.

Unpaid members will be removed from all emails and all Probus info. They will be notified prior.

Survey Monkey - are we interested? Allowed 5 surveys a month and up to 10 questions per survey.

Upcoming speaker topics: January - Healthcare, February - Fire Chief.

Deb will call Adele Wiegers re: heading up Sunshine Committee.

Susan mentioned "Grey Matters" - get a speaker?

Johanne brought up introducing and acknowledging new members at each meeting as well as introducing the management team at each meeting.

Next year is Probus' 60th Anniversary. Johanne moved that we make 2 flags to be raised next October at both City Halls. Susan seconded. All in favour. Susan mentioned that we could also have a bench with our plaque on it placed on the walking trail.

Susan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Evelyn.

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