



APRIL 2026

BATTLEFORDS PROBUS CLUB

Official Minutes of the Battlefords Probus Club



Date:

Thursday April 16, 2026

Time:

10am - 11:30am

Location:

Smitty's Restaurant, NB

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Present: George Plews (Chair), Deb Breiman, Becky Stroo, Chris Pollard, Susan McLean Tady, Johanne Stolz

Absent: Gerry Walker, Evelyn Skotniski

Meeting called to order. Previous minutes reviewed. Approved by Johanne and seconded by Chris.

Treasurer's Report: \$2519.83 in account. Bills from George and Deb yet to be paid.

Speaker Update: Lindsay Holm, Fire Chief will be our next speaker. The next speaker will be Richard Pratchler from the Northland Power Plant.

Membership: There is one member needing a name tag but as there is a possibility of more members joining soon so we will hold off on ordering name tags. It was discussed that since new members can attend 2 free meetings, if they pay now, that will be their next year's dues. Chris brought up the rising cost of materials for speaker's gifts. Becky made a motion that we raise the payment for gifts to \$35 each to accommodate the 30% increase in material costs. Seconded by Chris.

May 27 at 1:00 pm is the tour of the Power Plant. Chris will email the directions and procedure to George. Tour of Water Plant booked for April 28? George or Chris will check and confirm date and time.

Reviewed spreadsheet of costs and income. Should we reduce membership fees by \$5? Not decided yet.

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The room at the Don Ross Centre is booked until June 2027. Sound quality was discussed. It was decided that we will try increasing the microphone volume at the next meeting and see if that fixes the problem before we buy a new system.

Johanne will do a short presentation on tax planning tips at the next meeting. Gerry will take 15 minutes at each meeting to do a short presentation.

Probus Annual General Meeting is April 24, 2026.

Probus flag raising in October. George will attend an upcoming Council meeting and find out about Proclamation.

New group Guess Who's Coming to Dinner was briefly discussed. It will be discussed with membership at our next meeting and people can sign up.

The Prairie Lily is running again. Susan will check out booking, cost, how to pay etc.

Becky made a motion to buy donuts for Don Ross staff as they are so accommodating and helpful. Chris seconded the motion.

At the next meeting we will bring up the positions to be filled for take over next September so people can think about it.

Johanne moved the meeting be adjourned and Susan seconded.