

PROBUS Club of Saint John
Monthly Meeting
February 22nd, 2017

The sixth regular meeting of our 2016-2017 meeting was held Wednesday, February 22nd, 2017, a week delayed because of inclement weather. President Robert Taylor called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., with about 19 members attending. After the welcoming and “O Canada”, Gordon Mouland led our sing-a-long. A moment of silence was held in memory of Rev. Canon George Akerley. Secretary Willard Buckley read the minutes of our January 18th, 2017, meeting, seconded by Peter Jolly and passed. In membership news, we were pleased to welcome Ron Pearce as a new member, pinned by President Robert, and “Happy Birthday” was sung to Vice President John Doyle. About 13 members agreed to stay for ham wrap and broccoli salad. The Treasurer's report was read by Don Mitchener, with \$1,973.15 on hand, representing \$455.00 excess of Revenue over Expenditures, and dues from 2 members collected, seconded by Past President Ralph Wood, passed. Upcoming programs as arranged by John Doyle, are to be an Irish theme for March, with Rick Waters and Barry Snodgrass returning for our entertainment, Fred Horgan for April, and David Goss for May. A formal motion was asked by President Robert for our Annual Meeting to be moved from September to May, given by Ralph Wood, seconded by Gordon Mouland, and passed unanimously. President Robert advised us that the next Atlantic Regional Meeting would be held in Charlottetown, P.E.I., at a date to be decided. As March is PROBUS month, our PROBUS flag will be flown at City Hall, from March 6th to 10th. Allegedly Fabulous Funnies were delivered by Ed O'Keefe, Ralph Wood, Carl Tompkins and Peter Jolly. After break for coffee, the draw of \$58.00, less \$20.00 withheld, was won by David Flewelling. Our special speaker was Don Mitchener, introduced by President Robert, who spoke on Financial Planning, complete with 9 page hand-out. After active discussion, and questions, Vice President John thanked Don for his presentation. Meeting was adjourned for optional lunch, with about 13 staying.

Respectfully submitted
Willard Buckley
Secretary