

Perth Probus Club

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 14th May 2020 by Zoom Conference Call

Present: Iain Grant, Eric Davidson, Mike Hope, Ninian Reid

1) Apologies

Ken Ward and Stewart MacLeod tendered their apologies

2) Background

This was the first committee meeting since the AGM and the lockdown because of the Coronavirus and COVID-19 pandemic. It was an opportunity for the committee members to meet and to trial a meeting by Zoom Conference Call. After a few brief problems the meeting went very smoothly.



3) Medical Update

The system with a number of our members is not great with Duncan Naysmith, Alan Calderwood and Bill Bell much as they were two months ago.

4) 50 Year Celebration

It was agreed that we would have some form of 50 year celebration but it was agreed that the members would be asked for their opinion as to what form this should take.

Some of the ideas discussed included a lunch or a dinner and a suitable venue and who should be invited eg Provost and/or Presidents of the other Probus Clubs in Perth. It was also suggested that we should produce some sort of lapel badge to mark the occasion. Eric was asked to check the files to confirm on what date the Club was actually formed. In the event of this not being possible we could check old editions of the PA at the library when it re-opens.

(Action Eric)

5) Future Speakers

The situation with future speakers was discussed but it was felt that even when meetings re-start it might be difficult to get speakers to come and we might have to rely on a quiz or talks from our members. If meetings are cancelled for all of 2020 then the possibility of a webinar was discussed. The problem is how to include the people who have no internet. This was left for a future discussion when the long term situation becomes clearer.

6) Treasurer's Report

Iain agreed to ask Ken if any members had paid their subscriptions yet.

(Action Iain)

7) Newsletter

It was agreed that we should continue the Newsletter and every fortnight seemed about right.

(Action Eric)

8) Other Sections

The possibility of getting sections such as Golf other than just Bowls and Computing was discussed and it was decided that this would be subject to further discussion at future meetings.

9) Future Committee Meetings

It was decided to have another meeting in late May or early June when the section convenors viz Marty and Murray would also be invited.

(Action by Ninian/Eric)