

Probus Club of Calgary

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Probus Club is a group of enthusiastic, concerned business associates, striving to develop positive business relationships that will benefit all members.

NEXT MEETING:

November 3rd 2011, 12:00 PM

Calgary Elks Lodge and Golf Club
2502 6th St. N.E.

FEES: Prospective members attending under an available category will attend their first meeting free of charge. Visitors who are not prospective members - \$26.00

- 1) Sid opened the meeting at approximately 12:00PM.
- 2) Sid reviewed the procedure of passing the card box around the room with the first go around being for the purpose of each member checking their own card supply and adding additional cards if required. It is also an opportunity for guests to place cards in the back of the box. The second go around is for everyone present to take out cards from members to help in the promotion of each others business.

New Member Inductions and Application For Membership

We inducted two new members this meeting, welcome Cheryle Renwick of Reliance Telecom Consulting and Dixie Bennett of Stillpoint Bodyworks

A new application for membership was received from Kevin Bennett of Gourmet Personal Chef Services.

Other Business

Our Mini Speaker today was Al Gibson of RMS Solutions.

Today's meeting was a business meeting. The following reports where presented by the Board Members.

Dr Paul Semadeni, Director of Membership presented ProBus Gift Certificates to Barbara Forster, Veralin Phillips-Michael, and Adam Kilmury for their efforts in bringing new members to the club over the past year. These certificates can be used as a credit against annual dues or pay for a social function. Lets stay focused on building the membership.

An invited guest that is looking at joining the ProBus Club has their first lunch paid by the club. If they want to come back a second time or if you have invited a person to "come to lunch with you" with no intentions of joining then they are required to pay for lunch.

Michelle Johnston, Director of Leads and Thankyou's, Keep filling out the forms as this is our main way of tracking the business done within the club. When providing lead's make

sure they are warm leads so that when a club member is following up on your referral, their call is expected.

Rena St.Clair, Director of Guest Speakers. All outside speakers have been booked for this year. We need to make one change for our mini speakers, which will see Dixie do a Mini Talk on November 3rd. During the meeting we also scheduled the first two mini speakers for 2012. Mira will present the first meeting in January, (date T.B.A.) and Cheryle will present the second meeting of the year.

Netty Palmer, Director of Social Events. We had four successful social functions this past year, Trade Show, S.A.I.T. Diner, BBQ and the Pool Tournament. We had good attendance at all functions. For anyone taking on this position, do not be afraid to ask your fellow club members for help.

In addition to Social Functions, Netty took it upon herself to update and get our website functioning for the benefit of the members and potential new members. A lot of work which will pay dividends as we move forward.

Richard Hook, Treasure. Club is in good financial standing. Working account balance as of October 20th is \$5342.80. We should have a balance of approximately \$3733.00 after December 1st lunch. We have funds to supplement Christmas Luncheon as we have done in the past. Currently we have \$392.00 in the 50/50 pool which one member will win the opportunity to donate these funds to a charity of their choice.

Al Gibson, Vice President. Took on two special projects this year. The first being a review of the New-Member package. We decided not to adjust our initiation fee this year, but may adjust it next year. We will propose an increased fee to the new Board that takes over after elections.

The second project was setting up a Greeter schedule which has generally worked well. We will continue it next year and recommend it become a permanent function of all meetings.

Veralin Phillips-Michael, Past President. Likes the direction the club is going. We just need to continue to grow our membership.

NEW BUSINESS

2011 Elections will be held on December 1st at our next business meeting.

Nomination Forms were handed out at this meeting (also as an attachment to the news letter). Please take the time to consider who you would like to see run the ProBus Club for the upcoming year. Contact them to ensure they will accept this leadership role and submit your choices by 5pm November 18th, 2011 to peterw@nucleus.com or bring them to one of the next two ProBus meetings.

To be eligible to run for President, a member shall have served TWO terms as a Director of the club. Terms need not be consecutive.

All members seeking to sit as Vice-President or as a Director shall have been a member in good standing for at least one year.

2011 Christmas Lunch

Date is December 15th 2011, 11:30 AM to 2PM
Location: Calgary Elks Lodge, 2502 6ST N.E.

- Charity we will be supporting, Kids Cancer Care Foundation of Alberta
- Silent Auction Committee will be headed up by Myra. Let's all do our best to help out.
- Minister, Keith Traptow to ask his Minister to provide blessing
- Center Pieces to be provided by Michelle
- DJ (back ground music) thanks to Mira
- Room and Menu booked by Sid
- Sid will perform the M/C duties

SUGGESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

Michael Setters- promoting club through social media such as YELP.

Irvin Adler- can we send out agenda to members prior to business meeting to allow for preparation on the members part.

Present

Members present for the October 20th meeting where:

Irvin Adler, Dixie Bennett, Barbara Forster, Meher Gadamsetti, Al Gibson, Sid Helischauer, Richard Hook, Michelle Johnston, Ralph Jorgensen, Dave Koop, Adam Kilmury, Mira Laprell, Netty Palmer, Veralin Phillips-Michael, Cheryle Renwick, Dr.Paul Semadeni, Michael Setters, Rens St.Clair Keith Traptow, Lloyd Traptow, Peter Whalley

GUEST: None as this was a business meeting

Leads and Thank-you's

Thank-You's

To:	From:	For:
Dave Koop	Barbara Forster	Chocolate Order
Compro Services	Dave Koop	Toner Order
Netty Palmer	Dave Koop	Printing Order
Irvin Adler	Ralph Jorgensen	Legal work
Compro Services	Taylor Signs	Decal Order
Barbara Forster	Dave Koop	Christmas Order
Adam Kilmury	Sid Helischauer	Set up wireless sync

ProBus	Michelle Johnston	Flower Order
Sid Helischauer	Michelle Johnston	Fire Grill
Michael Setters	Dave Koop	Toner Order
Meher Gadamsetti	Dave Koop	Paper Order

Leads:

Michelle Johnston	Michael Setters	Flowers to Hawaii
Adam Kilmury	Michael Setters	Barbara Leary
Veralin Phillips-Michael	Dave Koop	Travel Insurance

New Categories to be Filled

Handyman, Caterer, Promotional Products, Marketing Consultant, Stager, Promotional Products to name a few.

Existing Categories

Accounting Services	Carpet Cleaning	Chocolate Manufacture
Computer Specialist	Chiropractor	Financial Planner
Florist	General Insurance	Construction
Lawyer	Mortgage Broker	Print Broker
Realtor	Photographer	Travel
Agent	Web Design	Environmental Air
Of Sale Software		Point
Sign Printer	Memorials	Wellness Sales
Condo Maintenance	Phone Bill Consultant	Pain & Stress Therapy

NEW MEMBERS:

Be sure to bring your business associates to the next open meeting and show them the advantages of belonging to the Club. If you have contacts that you would like to have invited to a meeting, pass their name and telephone number to the Membership Director, and he will follow up all leads.

**Remember, if someone you recommend joins Probus
you will receive a \$50 gift certificate from Probus to use as Dues or Social Events.**

Probus Club of Calgary Calgary's Networking Club BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2011

President	Sid Helischauer
Past President	Veralin Phillips-Michael
Vice President	Al Gibson
Treasurer	Richard Hook
Secretary	Peter Whalley
Guest Speakers	Rena St Clair
Membership	Paul Semadeni
Social	Netty Palmer
Leads & Thank You's	Michelle Johnston

OUR WEBSITE

Our website can be viewed at:
www.probusclubcalgary.org