PROBUS CLUB OF SAINT JOHN

MONTHLY MEETING

June 17th, 2015

The final monthly meeting of the 2014-15 season was called to order at 10 am-ish by President Ralph Wood at the Boys and Girls Club. Only 11 members were present. Members sang O Canada, then in the absence of Gordon Mouland chose songs for the sing-along, but there was shown a definite need for more rehearsal.

Lunch: Most opted to stay for spaghetti and rolls.

<u>Minutes</u> of the May 20th meeting were published in the Phoghorn. They were accepted on motion of Ralph Wood, seconded by Gordon Graham.

Finances: Treasurer Don Mitchener reported that we have \$1921 in the bank, with \$600 to go to the Boys and Girls Club if approved. This balance includes the \$1000 bequest that we received from the Estate of Ross Coates. Without this gift our projected operating deficit for the year would be \$45.

<u>Member News:</u> Dave Flewelling is undergoing treatments. There were no guests or potential new members present.

Jokes Department: The Agenda said there would be no jokes today; there were, in fact, two.

Presentation: Cpt. Ralph presented his gift of a NB flag and base; a plaque on the base says "at the conclusion of his Presidency".

<u>Moved</u> by Tor Bordevik and seconded by Willard Buckley, that we cancel June meetings. Vote delayed until more are present in September.

<u>Gift to Boys and Girls Club:</u> Ralph moved and Fenton Keirstead seconded that we give \$600 to the Boys and Girls Club; motion carried. A cheque was presented to Amy Shanks, who expressed thanks, then drew for the <u>60/40 Draw:</u> Don Mitchener won \$37.

Following coffee break, Vice President Willard Buckley introduced the <u>Guest Speaker</u>, numismatist Tom Craig, who is retired from Lantic Sugar Refinery. He gave an interesting and informative survey of the use of tokens, coins, playing card money, and paper money in Canada and in various provinces including NB, from pre-Confederation to modern times.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Taylor, Secretary.