



**MEN'S PROBUS CLUB OF
NEWMARKET GENERAL MEETING
MINUTES**

Wednesday, 20 May 2020 – Virtual by ZOOM

President

Sunny Lau

Our IT maven *Steve Muir* successfully herded more than 60 attendees as they signed into our meeting. Attendees included a number of visitors from nearby PROBUS clubs in Richmond Hill and Bradford, and one from Australia.

The meeting began with the traditional *O Canada* from our usual illustrated version.

President Sunny welcomed all and reviewed the agenda for the meeting

Management Committee Reports

1. Secretary:

Doug Wrigglesworth

The minutes of the April General meeting, our first ZOOM adventure, as well as those of the May Management meeting were summarized.

2. Treasurer:

Rob Vernon

The current Financial statement was reviewed. An early version of the budget for the 2020 – 2021 was also noted. An amended version will be discussed in Management.

3. Membership:

Warren MacRobie

Current status was reported, and a humorous tale was added to warm the hearts of the audience.

4. Programs:

Naqi Ahsan

Programming to the end of the calendar year was confirmed.

5. Vice President:

Dick Furlong


- The venue for the November lunch on November 18 will be back at the original Cardinal location. Responses from the recent survey showed that there was large support for continuing the current location, menu and format of our holiday luncheon.

6. President:

Sunny Lau

President Sunny presented the current slate of nominees for the coming year.
He highlighted the need for someone to fill the Vice-President Role

**Men's PROBUS Club of Newmarket
 2020/2021 Management Committee Nominees**

<u>Position</u>	<u>Incumbent</u>	<u>Nominee 1</u>	<u>Nominee 2</u>
<u>President</u>	Sunny Lau	Dick Furlong	N/A
<u>Vice President</u>	Dick Furlong		
<u>Secretary</u>	Doug Wrigglesworth	Doug Wrigglesworth	
<u>Treasurer</u>	Rob Vernon	Rob Vernon	
<u>Membership</u>	Warren MacRobie	David Elms	
<u>Programs</u>	Naqi Ahsan	Naqi Ahsan	
<u>Newsletter</u>	Ted Wilkinson	Ted Wilkinson	
<u>Technology</u>	Steve Muir	Steve Muir	
<u>Past President</u>	—	Sunny Lau	N/A

* Assistants are non-voting members of the Management Committee

- Thanks to the work of *President Sunny* our newly launched website has been an early hit!
www.mensprobustclubofnewmarket.ca
- In the few days since its release more than 100 visits have been reported.
- New features will be added as development continues,

Members were encouraged to refer potential (and current) members to the site for Club news and updates.

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WHO AM I?

Steve Muir

Our excellent Club IT manager told us of a remarkably varied, successful and interesting career, from his beginnings on a farm near Sundridge Ontario, starting as an apprentice Mechanic, through installing phones for Nortel, Service Station owner to a senior position in Xerox Canada.

SPEAKER:

Richard MacLeod

Richard MacLeod returned to our Club to tell us more of the history of Newmarket. Today he spoke of the transformation of the area from Agriculture to Industry. Key companies such as Office Specialties, Dixon Pencil and Davis Leather initially moved to Newmarket for access to financial advantages, transportation and raw materials, and as the decades passed their presence fades.

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