

PROBUS CLUB OF ELLERSLIE COMBINED.

Minutes of the AGM meeting at the Ellerslie War Memorial Hall on March 19th, 2021.

President Kevin welcomed everyone to the meeting. 50 members were present. There were 2 visitors.

Apologies: Isobel Clarihew, Teck Tay, Rona Colbert and Joan Erskine- Leggett

Financial report. There was no financial report for March 2021 due to no club activity in February because of a Covid lockdown.

Birthday greetings were extended to 16 members celebrating their birthdays in January, February and March.

Trips. There will be a trip to Waiheke Island on Friday March 26th and a trip to Drury Hills Winery on Friday 23rd April. Details in the Bulletin.

Mini Speaker. Howard Wills entertained us with some songs and his guitar prior to Morning Tea.

Formal part of the Meeting. This commenced at 10:30am.

Minutes of the last AGM. As the minutes had been circulated prior to the meeting, Joan the Secretary moved the minutes of the 2020 AGM be accepted. Lorraine Rother seconded that the minutes be accepted. CARRIED.

Matters arising from the minutes.

A question from a member asked if the flyers for letterboxes had gone ahead. This was in General Business, item 4. Kevin replied that it had not but would be followed up this year.

Correspondence. There was none.

Financial report. The Financial Accounts for Y/E 31 January 2021 have been circulated to members prior to the meeting.

As Rona, the Treasurer was away Joan King, the Secretary read her report:

Good Morning, I am sorry I am unable to be here in person.

You will notice the subscriptions have increased since last year, unfortunately not because we have had an increase in members, but because we raised the cost of the subscription. We have had 2 members join us during the year but several have left us to live in other parts of NZ.

The cost of the trips is significantly lower because, of course we were unable to go anywhere for several months last year. The income from raffles was much reduced because we were able to have fewer meetings.

We treated ourselves on our birthday and Xmas meetings by having catered morning teas rather than baking ourselves.

Speakers' fees were down for obvious reasons, as were various communication expenses. Assistance from the Ellerslie Theatrical Society with setting up the hall and hiring the microphones was recorded as a donation in 2020 but this year is recorded as "set up".

It appears that we have only paid \$125 in rent for the year. This is what we paid the Masonic Lodge for one meeting. The Auckland Council granted us \$1100 to pay the rent and microphones. In their wisdom they retained the \$690 for the rent and sent us the remaining \$410, \$100 of which has been paid to E.T.S. and the remaining \$310 is still with us.

Although it has been a difficult and disruptive year, we have ended with \$545 more than we started with. So, Covid willing we will look forward to a year when we can meet our friends and travel around Auckland without restrictions.

Thank you,

Rona.

Joan moved/Norma Pretscherer seconded that the Treasurer's Report and Financial Accounts be accepted.
CARRIED.

President's report: Kevin presented his report:

Last year my report covered an extended year, but this report is for a condensed 2020/2021 due to Covid 19.

Just on a year ago we had our first Covid 19 major lockdown, since then we have had only a few hiccups up until February. It would be nice to think that was the last of our lockdowns, but I think not.

It is important that in these times of uncertainty that we promote our club, as well as support our committee in its endeavours. To survive, your club needs you, NOW. Just remember it is your club, without a vibrant committee it will not come through these difficult times.

Our trips and entertainment over the last year have been very few and far apart and it has been very difficult for the people organising these, as a great amount of work goes into this for them only to be cancelled at the last moment. We have some good trips and speakers planned for this year and look forward to your continuing support.

Once again, I would like to thank our hardworking committee and all those associated with the efficient running of our associated groups.

I look forward to seeing all of you, as a normal member of the club, at our meetings and outings that have been planned for 2021-2022.

Our motto is – Fun, Friendship and Fellowship for active retirees and semi retirees. We live up to this motto in our club.

Kevin moved his report be accepted/Joan King seconded. CARRIED.

Election of Officers: The following nominations were received:

President	Maureen Reed
Vice President	Bev Williams
Secretary	Joan King
Treasurer	Rona Colbert
Committee	Irene Bicknell
	Hilary Wills
Raffles off committee	Rose Boyle

Kevin moved/Lorraine Rother seconded that the Committee be accepted. CARRIED.

General Business.

Ann Skilling thanked Kevin, on behalf of the club for being President for the last 2 years.

President _____

Date _____