



BEACHCOMBERS PROBUS CLUB of WASAGA BEACH - BYLAWS (January 2018)

BYLAW NO.1 – Territory

1. Membership in this Club shall primarily, but not necessarily, be from the area *of Wasaga Beach*.

BYLAW No. 2- Membership

1. Application for membership shall be accompanied by an initiation fee of \$25.00 and an annual membership fee of \$30.00 (August 2017). Depending on when a member is accepted, the membership fee may be prorated.
Upon acceptance by the Club, a new member shall be given a copy of the CONSTITUTION FOR PROBUS CLUBS (CANADA) and the CLUB BYLAWS, and will be presented, by the President or his/her designate, with a Probud lapel pin, and a name badge and any other token as deemed appropriate by the Club.
2. Membership may be held in more than one Probud Club. When a waiting list exists and an opening occurs, priority shall be given to an applicant who is not a Probud Member.
3. Membership caps are to be determined by a vote of the members.
4. The annual membership dues are payable by August 1st of the current year.
5. The Management Committee may terminate the membership of any member who fails to pay the annual membership fee by October 31st of the current year.
6. HONOURARY MEMBERSHIP may be conferred on a person by a majority of members voting at a General meeting. An Honourary member shall not be required to pay the annual membership fee, and shall enjoy all the privileges of membership except voting and election to office. No more than 2% of the membership shall be Honourary members at any given time.

7. LIFE MEMBERSHIP may be conferred by a majority of members voting at a General meeting, upon a member who has rendered outstanding service to the Club. A Life member shall not be required to pay the annual membership fee, and shall enjoy all the privileges of membership. No more than 2% of the membership shall be Life members at any given time.
8. CONDUCT of MEMBERS. If, in the opinion of, and after due consideration by, the Club's Management Committee, a member conducts himself/herself in such a manner as to bring discredit on the organization or they cause discord within the membership, they may be asked to resign. The resignation request should be made if, after discussion between the member and the Management Committee, the conflict is not resolved.

BYLAW No. 3 – Management

1. The Club shall be managed by a Management Committee consisting of the President, a Vice President, the immediate Past President, the Secretary, Treasurer and such other positions as the Club deems necessary.
2. The President, or designate, shall preside at all meetings of the Management Committee and the Club.
3. The Secretary, unless there is a delegated Archivist, shall be responsible for all the minutes of the Club and the Club's archival material.
4. The Membership Chairperson shall be responsible for the membership roll which shall include members' names, postal and email addresses, telephone and fax numbers, and other information which the Club may determine. The membership roll shall be distributed to the members at least yearly, and shall include a statement that it is not to be used for commercial purposes.
5. The Treasurer shall maintain and control all financial records of the Club and provide monthly statements to the Management Committee and annually to the Club Membership.
6. Monthly Financial statements shall be made available to members on a request only basis.

7. All elected members of the Management Committee shall have equal voting privileges.

BYLAW No.4 – Election of Officers

1. A Nomination Committee consisting of the President – Elect and two Past Presidents (if available, otherwise two Club members in good standing) shall present to the Club meeting, prior to the Annual General Meeting, a slate of candidates for election to the Management Committee.
2. Any further nominations (with prior consent to stand) shall be conveyed to the Nominating Committee at least 14 days prior to the Annual Meeting.
3. When an election is required voting shall be by ballot.

BYLAW No.5 – General Meetings

1. The Annual General Meeting shall be held on the regular meeting day in August. At this meeting, the members of the Management Committee will be elected.
2. General meetings of the Club shall be held monthly at a predetermined location.
3. Any changes to meeting locations shall be subject to a motion put forward for a vote by the membership in accordance with By-Law No.5 Clause 4. In lieu of a motion, 60 days notice shall be given.
4. The quorum for all General meetings shall be 25% of the membership.
5. Any notice of motion shall be submitted, in writing, to the Secretary and read to the General meeting one month prior to the meeting at which time it is to be considered. For the information of members not in attendance at this General Meeting, one prior notice in the Club Newsletter shall be sufficient.

BYLAW No 6 – Financial

1. The Treasurer shall receive record and deposit all funds of the Club in a financial institution approved by the Management Committee. The signing officers shall be any two of the Treasurer, President, Vice- President , Past President and Secretary.

2. The annual financial review shall be conducted at the Annual General Meeting.
3. Membership dues are to be reviewed yearly.
4. The annual Financial Review may be conducted by a qualified member of the Club who is not a member of the Management Committee.

BYLAW No. 7 – Non Profitability

1. Club activities are to be budgeted to break even.
2. The Club may advance funds, with approval of the Management Committee, when payment to event tickets is required prior to collection of funds from members. Such advances shall be repaid to the Club.
3. An individual member of the Club must not gain from a discount, commission, gratuity or other benefit arising from a Club activity.

BYLAW No.8 - Amendment

1. Any bylaw may be amended by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting at a General meeting, provided that notice of motion has been given as required by Bylaw No. 5 paragraph 4.
2. Any such amendment to the Club's Bylaws must be consistent with the Standard Bylaws for Local Probus Clubs – Approved August 2013
3. The Club's Bylaws shall be reviewed for possible amendments every three years or as deemed necessary.
4. Only a motion presented at a General Meeting, may be voted upon by a show of hands. A 50/50 vote shall end in a default of the motion.

END OF BYLAWS



BEACHCOMBERS PROBUS – WASAGA BEAC



STANDARD CONSTITUTION

June 3, 2003

PREAMBLE

The PROBUS name, trademarks, rights and emblem(s) are registered with Industry Canada as the property of PROBUS Centre-Canada, Inc. These shall not be used for commercial purposes without the written approval of PROBUS Centre-Canada, Inc. Accreditation of a PROBUS Club shall be effective upon acceptance by PROBUS Centre-Canada, Inc. of an application with the prescribed fee from a sponsoring Rotary Club or a recognized PROBUS Club. Rights to the use of the name and emblems, except on saleable articles, shall be given automatically to each PROBUS Club upon its accreditation.

I. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

1. The purpose of the Club shall be:
 - (a) To provide regular meetings for retired and semi-retired professional and business persons, and others with like backgrounds, who appreciate and value increased opportunities for social contacts, addresses on and discussion of topical subjects,
 - (b) To arrange visits by members to places and organizations of interest,
 - (c) To arrange activities of interest to members.
2. Because many of its members may already be active in service to the community, the activities of the Club shall be directed solely towards acquaintances and fellowship.
3. The Club shall not be competitive with any other organization.
4. The Club shall be non-political and non-sectarian.
5. The Club shall not be nor appear to be, a fund raising or service club.

II. MEMBERSHIP

1. The Club shall be for men and women with professional or business backgrounds and other men and women who have had some measure of responsibility in any field of worthy endeavour.
2. Application for membership shall be sponsored by at least one member and approved by the Management Committee.
3. Regular attendance is not mandatory.

III. MANAGEMENT

1. The Club shall be managed by a Management Committee consisting of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, the immediate Past-President and sub other persons as the Club deems necessary to cover program, social, newsletter and other functions.
2. The Club President shall normally serve for a term of 1 year, but may not serve for more than 2 years.
3. The Management Committee shall meet monthly or as the need arises.
4. The quorum at a Management Committee meeting shall be 50% of the Committee.
5. A motion that receives an equal number of affirmative and negative votes shall be considered lost.
6. The Management Committee shall have the authority to fill vacancies that may arise between elections.
7. The Management Committee shall have authority to appoint sub-committees.
8. The Membership Committee shall be responsible for the list of members' names, addresses, phone number and such other information required by Club By-Laws. **This list must not be used for commercial purposes.**

IV. GENERAL MEETINGS

1. General Meetings of the Club shall be held monthly or as determined by the Club.

2. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in accordance with the Club By-Laws. In advance of the meeting, members shall be provided with a Financial Statement for the preceding twelve months co-incident with the Annual Meeting.
3. At each Annual General Meeting the presiding officer shall present nominations from the Nominating Committee for positions on the Management Committee. Election may be by show of hands or by ballot, as determined by the meeting.
4. A motion that receives an equal number of affirmative and negative votes shall be determined as lost.

V. ANNUAL RETURNS

1. The financial year of the Club shall be established at a date which will appropriately coincide with the Annual General Meeting of the Club.
2. The Secretary shall advise PROBUS Centre-Canada, Inc. following the Club's Accreditation and by September 30th each year, of the Club's regular meeting place, day and time, the number of its members as of the previous July 31 and the names, addresses and telephone numbers of its President and Secretary.
3. The Treasurer shall remit to PROBUS Centre-Canada, Inc. the annual assessment levied by PROBUS Centre-Canada, Inc.

VI. MEMBERSHIP FEES

1. Each member of the Club shall pay the annual membership fee as provided in Club By-Laws.

VII. NON-PROFITABILITY

1. The income and property of the Club shall be applied solely towards the objectives of PROBUS and no portion thereof transferred directly or indirectly to the members. Nothing herein shall prevent the payment of approved remuneration for services actually rendered to the Club.

VIII. WINDING UP

1. In recognition of Rotary Clubs' service contribution towards the expansion of PROBUS, any funds remaining on winding up of the Club shall be donated to the Rotary Foundation (Canada) or to another registered charitable organization.

IX. BY-LAWS

1. Club By-Laws and their Amendments shall be consistent with the Constitution.

X. AMENDMENT

1. Except as provided in Paragraph 3 of this Article, this Constitution may be amended with the approval of the Board of Directors of PROBUS Centre-Canada Inc.
2. Every three years, members of the Board of PROBUS Centre-Canada, Inc. shall consult with the Clubs within their regions as to amendments the Clubs may wish to suggest. Following this consultation, the Legislative Committee of PROBUS Centre-Canada, Inc. upon receipt of the report of its Legislation Committee shall, upon communication to the Clubs, become an Amendment to each Club's Constitution.
3. The name or gender composition of the Club may be changed at any General Meeting of the Club, the quorum required by Club By-Laws being present, by a majority of the members present and voting. The amendment shall be effective when it has been communicated to PROBUS Centre-Canada, Inc.

END OF CONSTITUTION