



# DHARMASOKA COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION COLOMBO BRANCH

## MINUTES OF THE 2ND EX – CO MEETING FOR THE YEAR 2017/18 HELD ON 04<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2017 AT THE ELECTION COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE AT RAJAGIRIYA

### Present:

Mr. Chandralal Sooriyaarachchi(President), Mr. Lal Premanath(Immediate Past President), Mr. Udaya Sirisena (Vice President), Dr. P. Warusawithana (Vice President), Mr. Gavesh Ginige(Vice President), Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana (Jt. Secretary), Mrs. Shyama Gunawardana(Jt. Secretary), Mr. Harish Guruge(Treasurer), Mr. Jayantha Kodikara, Maj. Mahesh De Silva, Mrs. Samaji Seneviratne, , Mr. Hemantha De Silva, , Mr. Bandu De Silva, Mr. L. Channa De Silva, Mr. Raj De Silva, Dr. Deshapriya Wijethunga, Dr. Mrs. Ranjula Gunawardana, Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya, Mr. Nishantha de Soyza, Mr. Gaveshan Weerakkody, Mr. Susiri De Silva, Ms. Pubudu de Zoysa, Mr. K.M.G. Rohana Chaminda, Mr. Mathalie Jayasekara, Prof. Nihal Kodikara , Air Cdre Thilan De Silva, Mr. Shammie Uyange, Mr. Channa Pushpakumara, . Sudath Jinapriya, Mr. Dammika Kodikara, Rear Admiral Piyal de Silva(31 members)

**Regrets:** Mr. Saveen Semage, Mr, Mrs. Kumari Wickramaratne(Editor), Mr. Hemadasa De Silva (3 members)

**Absent:** Mr. Rohan Liyanage, Mr. Saman Warusawithana (Senior Vice President), Mrs. Yawwani Perera

**Resigned:** Mrs. Neela Gunasekara and Ms. Kushani Rohanadeera.

1. **Meeting called to order at 6.00 pm**
2. **Commenced the day's proceedings, by singing the College song.**
3. **Silent tribute to old Sokian's who passed away during the last month:**  
Deceased
  - Mr. Jayantha Denagama , Brother in Law of Major Gen. Bimal Widanage
  - Past Teacher of Dharmasoka College Mrs. Lalitha Ginige
  - Mr. Malan De Silva.
4. **Apologies for Absence:** Above members informed, that they were unable to participate.
5. **Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2017:**  
Since there were no changes, the minutes were proposed by Mj. Mahes de Silva and seconded by Mrs. Samaji Seneviratne.
6. **Matters arising from the Previous Meeting Minutes:**
  - 6.1. **Year Planner:** Two slots were in the year planner was not filled, the October meeting was taken up for sponsoring by Rear Admiral Piyal De Silva at Light House Galley. February 2017 meeting will be held at Dr P. Warusawithana's Residance and refreshments will be served by Mj. Mahes De Silva.

## **6.2. Fund Raiser:**

Mr. Gavesh Ginige mentioned that Sing Along musical event with Mr. Anesley Malawana at a cost of Rs.150,000/-. Will be held at Havelock City Hall which is only Rs, 100,000.00 and reserved the singer for 18<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup> November 2017. Immediately after he confirms the date the hall will be reserved.

It was decided to hold the Reunion in September 2017 at Grand Monarch Thalawathugoda. Mr. Chandralal checked the rates as Rs. 2700.00 and committee approved the venue.

### **Sub-committee:**

Co-chairpersons: Mr. Jayantha Kodikara and Mr. Gavesh Ginige.

**Members:** Mr. Saman Warusawithana, Mr. Bandu de Silva, Mr. Udaya Sirisena, Dr.Mrs. Ranjula Gunawardena, Mr. Hemanha de Silva, Ms. Samaji Seneviratne and Air.Cdr. Thilan de Silva.

## **6.3. Annual Trip:**

Decided to check better places for day outing and for a night stay for the cost of Rs. 2500.00 and Rs.4000.00 respectively. Mr.Gavesh Ginige agreed to find a suitable place,

### **Sub-committee:**

Mr. SamanWarusawithana, Mr. Chanralal Sooriyaarchchi, Dr.Mrs. Ranjula Gunawardena.

## **7. Membership Drive:**

It was decided to enroll minimum of 500 new members during the year. Mr. Udaya Sirisena explained how they are going to do this work by circulating applications among past pupils. Each member has to introduce at least 10 new members.

### **Sub-committee:**

Chairman: Mr. Udaya Sirisena,

Members: Mr. Chaminda Rohana, Ms. Pubudu de Soyza, Mr. Hemanha de Silva, Mr. Saman Warusawithana, Maj. Mahesh De Silva and Mr. Susiri de Silva.

### **7.1 Update the DCPA Web**

Subcommittee Chairman: Prof. Nihal Kodikara

Members: Mr. Shammi Unayange, Mr. Sudath Jinapriya, Mjor. Mahesh de silva.

Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya said to update the Web with available data and restrict the committee 3 members.

### **7.2 Updating the IT Lab**

Prof. Nihal Kodikara explained how they have improved the College It labs etc.

## **8. Trust Fund**

Mr. Lal Premanath said that following Trustees were appointed to the Trust:

Mr. Jayatissa Bandaragoda, Mr. Piyal De Silva , Mr. Lal Premanath , Mr . K.M.G. Rohana Chaminda, Mr. Hemantha De Silva, Mr. Chandralal Sooriyaarachchi(President)

## **8. Status of Physical Activities:**

Chairman of the subcommittee, Mr. Lal premanath said that the subcommittee met on 2<sup>nd</sup> may and taken the following decisions:

### **I. Building Construction**

The 1<sup>st</sup> interim bill has submitted by the contractor and its extra work component has increased by Rs. 400,000.00 which is due to change of the foundation design suited for the physical condition of the site. He further said that the committee will try to keep the variation under 10% of the contract sum which can be approved by the engineer and if it exceeds it has to go to the AGM.

### **II. Construction of the Statue of Mudlier Thomas de Silva:**

Mr. Lal Premanath informed the committee that the construction of the base of the statue will also be given to the main contractor and sub contract it to for Rs. 50,000.00.

### **III. Tiling of Thomas De Silva Building and Toilets for staff members**

This work also in progress and the tiles and toilet fittings will be purchased by the committee and hand over to the contractor for fixing.

The subcommittee chairman mentioned that the above work will needs Rs. 11m and there is a short of Rs. 1.7 million. He said this money will have to be collected from past pupils and the subcommittee identified the following members to be contacted by the respective Ex-co members.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Fixing appointment by</b>
1. Mr. Upul Tharanga	Mj. Gen. Bimal Widanage
2. Sripali Constructions Ltd	Mr. Udaya Sirisena
3. Mr. Somapala Egodaheva	Mr. Susiri De Silva
4. Mr. Roshan Egodage	Mr. Gavesh Ginige
5. Mr. Jayatissa Bandaragoda	Mr. Lal Premanath
6. Dr. Buddhi Korala Kulasiri	Mr. Lal Premanath
7. Mrs. Nimal Breckanridge	Mr. Susiri De Silva
8. Justice K.T. Chitrasiri	Mr. Lal Premanath
9. Dr. Rajitha De Silva	Mr. Channa De Silva
10. Mr. Asoka Weerasinghe	Mr. Susiri De Silva
11. Mr. Elakanda	Mr. Hemadasa
12. Dr. Upali Piyadigama	Mr. Chandralal Sooriyarachchi
13. Dr. Buddhika Kurukulasuriya	Mr. Susiri De silva
14. Dr. Chandani Kariyawasam	Mrs. Shyama Gunawardana

### **8. Status of Educational Excellence:**

Ex- Co requested subcommittee visit the school and discuss their needs with the Principal and Deputy Principals. Mrs. Pubudu De Zoysa also to be appointed to the subcommittee.

Subcommittee Chairman: Mr. Susiri de Silva.

Members: Dr. P. Warusawithana, Prof. Nihal Kodikara,, Mr. Deshpriya Wijethunga.

### **8. Status of Sports Activities**

Mr. Gavesh Ginige stated that he is fully involved with school Big Match which will be held on 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> May 2017 at Tyrone Fernando International Cricket Stadium in Moratuwa, due to ground in Ambalangoda is under construction and no other suitable ground is available in close proximity.

Ex-Co unanimously approved Rs. 50,000.00 to be paid from the Ex-Co funds to host the lunch for the cricketers on the day.

Subcommittee Chairman: Mr. Gavesh Ginige

Members: Mr. L. Channa de Silva, Brig. Bimal Widanange.

#### **9. Accounts for the last month**

The Treasurer tabled the monthly accounts for the month of April 2017 .

Committee agreed to sell the balance T Shirts stock at the Big Match and Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya agreed to undertake the sale. All stocks were handed over to Mr. Channa Pushpakumara.

#### **10. Correspondence: None**

#### **11. Any Other Matters:**

Following Membership applications were tabled:

	<b>New Member</b>	<b>Introduced by:</b>
1	Mr. Vigithamuni Sumith Soyza	Mr. Channa de Silva
2	Mr. M.W.T.A. de Siva	Mr. Chandralal Sooriyaarchchi

#### **12. Vote of Thanks:**

Vote of thanks was given by Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana to Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya for providing his office for the meeting and thanked Mr. Channa Pushpamal De Silva and Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya for hosting the fellowship dinner and SSP Nishantha De Soysa for arranging the Cameraman to take the Ex-Co photograph of year 2017/18.

Shyama Gunawardana

**Jt. Secretary**

**07<sup>th</sup> May 2017, 2017.**