



DHARMASOKA COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION COLOMBO BRANCH

MINUTES OF THE 07TH EX - CO MEETING FOR THE YEAR 2017/18 HELD ON 07TH OCTOBER 2017 AT LIGHT HOUSE GALLEY, FORT

Present:

Mr. Chandralal Sooriyaarachchi(President), Mr. Lal Premanath(Immediate Past President), Dr. P. Warusawithana (Vice President), Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana (Jt. Secretary), Mrs. Shyama Gunawardana(Jt. Secretary), Mr. Harish Guruge(Treasurer), Mr. Jayantha Kodikara, Mrs. Samaji Seneviratne, Dr. Mrs. Ranjula Gunawardana, Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya, Air Vice. Mar. Thilan De Silva, Mr. Raj De Silva, Mr. Udaya Sirisena (Vice President), Mr. Gavesh Ginige(Vice President), Mrs. Kumari Wickramaratne(Editor), Mr. L. Channa De Silva , Mr. Susiri De Silva, Maj. Mahesh De Silva, Rear Adm. Piyal De Silva. Mr. Bandu De Silva, Mr. Channa Pushpamal, Dr. Saveen Semage, Mr. Hemantha De Silva, Mr. Nishantha de Soya, Dr. Deshapriya Wijethunga, Mr. K.M.G. Rohana Chaminda (26 members).

Regrets: Prof. Nihal Kodikara , Mr. Gaveshan Weerakkody, Ms. Pubudu de Zoysa, (3 members).

Absent: Mr. Saman Warusawithana(Senior Vice President), Mr. Rohan Liyanage, Mr. Sudath Jinapriya, Mrs. Yawwani Perera, Mr. Shammie Uyange, Mr. Mathalie Jayasekara, Mr. Hemadasa De Silva, Mr. Dammika Kodikara(8 members).

1. **Meeting called to order at 6.30 pm**
2. **Commenced the day's proceedings, by singing the College song.**
3. **Apologies for Absence:** Above members informed, that they were unable to participate.
4. **Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 05th August 2017:**
Minutes were proposed as correct by Dr.Mrs. Ranjula Gunawardana and seconded by Mrs. Samaji Seneviratne, subject to following corrections.
Item No. 6a. Fund Raiser: should be corrected as the advance paid to Lumbini Hall was Rs. 7500/-
Item No. 6c. Membership Drive: this should be corrected as Rear Admiral Piyal De Silva will help to gain new members registered from Navy.

Committee reiterated to invite the Principal and two representatives from Main OBA and Junior League for the future meetings and decided to reimburse fuel cost for the Principal's transport up to maximum of Rs. 3000/-

Hereafter fund raisings will be done to cover the administration cost of PPA- CB.

Also, decided to write a letter to the Principal requesting to release our share of Centenary Fund, which is Rs.333,330/-

5. Matters arising from Last Meeting Minutes:

a. Fund Raiser:

President informed that the Lumbini Hall I already reserved for 20th January 2018 and may not be available for the revised dates as we require; therefore he suggested having the stage play in New Town Hall which is at Green Path.

The date of the Drama will be on 10th February 2018. The drama will be “Lowrancege Manamali”.

b. Annual Trip:

Mr. Gavesh Ginige said that he reserved bungalows at Diyathalawa Army camp for 30-35 people for 14th and 15th October 2017. The total cost would be around Rs. 3500/- per person. Mr. Gavesh said that 21 members along with family members have confirmed their participation and only 9 slots are available. Also, agreed to prepare a letter to be circulated to all members by Mj. Mahesh De Silva to obtain registrations as early as possible for the available 9 slots.

c. Membership Drive:

Mr. Udaya Sirisena said that there are 35 new members registered from Air force, Navy and other places. He also stated that there are 77 new members enrolled during this year.

d. Re Union:

On behalf of the Exco, President expressed appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Jayantha Kodikara and his committee for the hard work done to make the event a great success. Mr. Jayantha Kodikara too thanked all the members individually, who helped and contributed in numerous ways for the event.

e. Update the DCPPA Web :

Discussion postponed for the next meeting as the Chairman of Sub Committee was absent.

f. Status of Physical Activities:

I. Building Construction:

The changes related to the stair case was discussed with the contractor and agreed and work carried out accordingly. However, due to very slow progress, it was decided to make regular visits and have progress review meetings with the contractor to expedite the construction.

II. Mr. Lal Premanath reported that the work related to toilet has been completed and that it is our responsibility to purchase fittings, and to expedite the purchasing.

III. Base for the statue will be started soon. He further said that, after minor changes to the statue, it will be delivered soon.

g. Status of Educational Excellence:

Mr. Susiri De Silva informed that they were unable to contact the Principal and will update the proceedings at the next meeting.

h. Status of Sports Activities:

Mr Gavesh Ginige reported following achievements;

1. Boy's under 17 National Schools Badminton Championship
2. National Chess Championship
3. Girls under 17 Air Riffle National Championship

He further mentioned that , an old boy was appointed to the Selection Committee of National Basket Ball.

Volley Ball tournament for this year will be organized by the school at Balapitiya Rewatha College grounds.

6. Accounts for the last month

The Asst. Treasurer tabled the monthly accounts for the month of September 2017.

Reported that by Mrs . Veditha Sooriyaarachchi, Mr. Saman Warusawithana and Mrs. Shyama Gunawardana donated Rs, 100,000 each for the building fund.

8. Correspondence:

Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana read the letter sent by the school regarding the “Back to School” event to be held on 25th November 2017 and he said that he e-mailed the letter to all the Ex-Co members and requested Mr. Mahesh De Silva to circulate to all the members.

35 membership Applications introduced by Mr. Udaya Sirisena, Mr. Gavesh Ginige and Rear Admiral Piyal De Silva were tabled by Jt. Secretary, Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana . They are as follows:

| | Name | Introduced by |
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| 1 | Mrs. E D Shyama Fernando | Udaya Sirisena |
| 2 | Mr. Pasan Gallege | Udaya Sirisena |
| 3 | Mr. R S De Zoysa | Rear Admiral Piyal De silva |
| 4 | Mr. Ruwan Sanjeewa Samarthunga | Rear Admiral Piyal De silva |
| 5 | Mr. J P K P Kumara | Rear Admiral Piyal De silva |
| 6 | Mr. J P C J De Silva | Rear Admiral Piyal De silva |
| 7 | Mr. H D S T Jayasekera | Rear Admiral Piyal De silva |
| 8 | Mr. C P Gunawardana | Rear Admiral Piyal De silva |
| 9 | Mrs. P L N De Silva | Rear Admiral Piyal De silva |
| 10 | Mr. W M M W Bandara | Rear Admiral Piyal De silva |
| 11 | Mr. A A S De Silva | Rear Admiral Piyal De silva |
| 12 | Mr. N W Lokuliyana | Rear Admiral Piyal De silva |
| 13 | Mr. T Aruna De Silva | Udaya Sirisena |
| 14 | Mr. B L Pushpakumara | Udaya Sirisena |
| 15 | Mr. D M R de S Rajakaruna | Udaya Sirisena |
| 16 | Mr. M W K W H R Nanayakkara | Udaya Sirisena |
| 17 | Mr. P S M Bodahandi | Udaya Sirisena |
| 18 | Mr. P A V Samantha | Udaya Sirisena |
| 19 | Ms. W Amali Somarthne | Jayantha Kodikara |
| 20 | Mr. W Daminda Somarathna | Jayantha Kodikara |
| 21 | Mr. Ransilu Chaminda Watawala | Chaminda Rohana |
| 22 | Mr. H K A Amaranath | Chaminda Rohana |
| 23 | Mr. A V Hemantha Gunasekara | Dammika Kodikara |
| 24 | H E A Fernando | Dammika Kodikara |
| 25 | Mr. N K Kolitha Jayasinghe | Dammika Kodikara |
| 26 | A P Egodage | Dammika Kodikara |
| 27 | Mr. P R C de Silva | Channa P De Silva |
| 28 | Mrs. Ranjani Abesekera | Samaji Senevirathna |
| 29 | Mr. L R J De Silva | Air Vice Marshal Thilan De Silva |
| 30 | Mr. L G Rohan Ananda Sugathadasa | Mahesh De Silva |
| 31 | Mr. H I De Silva | Air Marshal Jayalath Weerakkodi |
| 32 | Mr. Ruwan Kariyawasam | S S P Nishantha de Zoyza |
| 33 | Mr. K K W T N De Silva | Dr Mrs Ranjula Goonawardana |
| 34 | Mr. H T R De Zoysa | Gavesh Ginige |

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| 35 | Mr. U L U Ravindra | Gavesh Ginige |
| 36 | Mrs. S K D A De Silva | Gavesh Ginige |
| 37 | Miss. M Medhanie Prabhashwarie De Silva | Gavesh Ginige |
| 38 | Mr. M C Piyadigama | Self |

9. **Vote of Thanks:**

On behalf of the Ex- Co members, Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana thanked Rear Admiral Piyal De Silva for arranging the venue for the meeting and hosting the fellowship dinner.

Next meeting will be held on 11th November 2017 at the residence of Mr. Gavesh Ginige at No.274/4, Gangarama Road, Werahera, Boralesgamuwa and he warmly invites spouses of members for the fellowship dinner.

Shyama Gunawardana

Jt. Secretary.

6th November 2017.