



# DHARMASOKA COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION COLOMBO BRANCH

**MINUTES OF THE 08<sup>TH</sup> EX – CO MEETING FOR THE YEAR 2016/17 HELD ON 03RD NOVEMBER 2016,  
AT NO.11, DE SILVA ROAD KALUBOWILA, THE RESIDANCE OF DR.P WARUSAWITHANA AT  
6.30PM**

**Present:**

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Mr. Lal Premanath (President), Dr. Mrs. Neela Gunasekara (Vice President), Mr. Jayantha Kodikara (Vice President), Mrs. Shyama Gunawardana (Jt. Secretary), Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana (Jt. Secretary), Dr. Ranjula Gunawardana, Maj. Mahesh De Silva, Mr. Channa Pushpakumara, Mrs. Samaji Seneviratne, Mr. Udaya Sirisena, Mr. Harish Guruge, Dr. P. Warusawithana, Mr. Gaveshan Weerakkody, Mr. L. Channa De Silva (14 members)

**Regrets:** Prof. Nihal Kodikara (Vice President), Mr. Chandralal Sooriyaarachchi (Senior Vice President), Mr. Susiri De Silva (Immediate Past President), Mr. Hemadasa De Silva, Mr. Ayesha Madawa De Silva, Mr. Damitha Leelaratne, Mrs. Kumari Wickramaratne, Mr. Hemantha De Silva, Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya, Mr. Saman Warusawithana (Vice President), Air Cdre Thilan De Silva, Mr. Mohan Wijeratne, Dr. Deshapriya Wijethunga Mr. Nishantha de Soyza (14 members)

**Absent:** Prof. Lalith De Silva, Mr. Ashoka Weerasinghe, Mrs. Chabeisha Edirimuni, Bandu De Silva, Mr. Sudath Jinapriya, Brig. Bimal Widanage Mrs. Yawwani Perera, Ms. Maubry Ginige Mr. Raj De Silva, (9 members)

**i. Meeting called to order at 7.00 pm**

**ii. Commenced the day's proceedings, by singing the College song.**

**iii.** Silent tribute to old Sokians who passed away during the last month: To Mr. Chandrasoma Binduhewa's wife and Mr. Janaka De Silva's father who passed away in last month.

**iv. Apologies for Absence:** Above members informed, that they were unable to participate.

**V. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 02nd June 2016.**

The minutes were proposed by Dr. Mrs. Ranjula Gunawardana and seconded by Mr. Mahesh De Silva as correct.

**Vi. Matters arising from the previous Meeting minutes.**

**i. Updated Membership Directory**

Maj. Mahesh de Silva said that favorable response received for the form he has sent along with the Newsletter to all the members by post and email to get the additional details and update the directory accordingly.

**b. Update the DCPA Web**

As Prof. Kodikara was absent for the meeting and was decided to discuss at the next meeting.

**c. Status of Physical Activities:**

Design problem of the proposed building was sorted out by the subcommittee with the structural designer Mr. Janaka Pushpakumar. The construction work is in progress. However, due to intervention by the two engineers at the Education Ministry, the work has been delayed by two weeks. The president agreed to sort out by sending all the approvals and details to the District engineer .

**f. Status of Educational Excellence:**

This will be discussed at the next meeting as the Chairman of the subcommittee was absent.

**g. Status of Sports Activities**

Since Brig. Bimal Widanage was absent, It was decided to take this up at the next meeting.

**vii. Matters arising from 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.**

Mr Jayantha Kodiara said that there are few members who have not returned the ticket books and ticket money and requested to settle as early as possible to prepare final accounts.

**viii. Accounts for the last month**

The Treasurer tabled the monthly accounts for the month of October 2016. Treasurer said that the draft annual accounts will be tabled at the January meeting.

**xi. Preparation for next AGM**

Minutes of the previous AGM has sent to the office bearers for their comments by the President and he requested to send any comments before next Exco. Treasurer will prepare the draft accounts and submit at the Exco meeting on 7th January. Joint secretaries will prepare the draft annual report and circulate to the Exco for their comments before the 7<sup>th</sup> January.

**Correspondance:**

Jt. Secretary Mrs. Shyama Gunawardana read out the letter from Mr. Buddhine Ginige regarding the Principal's Bungalow and it was decided to request Janaka Pushpakumara to see the possibility of providing a separate entrance to Principal's residence, while the building is renovated.

Letter received from the Secretary of the DCPA CB Trust requesting donation for the Two Scholarships as agreed earlier. Since the trust has unutilized amount of Rs 50,400/- given by DCPA CB in year 2013, it was agreed to settle balance amount of Rs 21,600/- to the Trust for Two Scholarships for the year 2016.

Another email sent by Mr. Ayesh De Silva was tabled by Jt. Secretary Mr. Palitha Widanapathirane , and decided to discuss at the next meeting at when Mr. Ayesh is present.

**viii. Any Other Matters:**

None.

**ix. Vote of Thanks:**

Vote of Thanks was given by Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana to Mr. Chandralal Sooriyaarachchi for providing refreshments and for Dr. P. Warusawithana and his wife for giving their house and other arrangements for the meeting.

**Next meeting will be held at OPA on 01<sup>st</sup> December 2016.**

**Shyama Gunawardana**

**Jt. Secretary**

**28<sup>th</sup> October, 2016.**