



# DHARMASOKA COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION COLOMBO BRANCH

## MINUTES OF THE 09<sup>TH</sup> EX – CO MEETING FOR THE YEAR 2016/17 HELD ON 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2016, AT THE O.P.A AT 6.30PM

### **Present:**

Mr. Lal Premanath (President), Mr. Chandralal Sooriyaarachchi (Senior Vice President), Dr. Mrs. Neela Gunasekara (Vice President), Mr. Jayantha Kodikara (Vice President), Prof., Nihal Kodikara (Vice President), Mr. Susiri De Silva (Immediate Past President), Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana (Jt. Secretary), Dr. Ranjula Gunawardana, Maj. Mahesh De Silva, Mrs. Samaji Seneviratne, Mr. Udaya Sirisena, Mr. Harish Guruge, Mr. L. Channa De Silva, Mr. Hemadasa De Silva, Mr. Hemantha De Silva, Mrs. Yawwani Perera, (16 members)

**Regrets:** Mrs. Shyama Gunawardana (Jt. Secretary), Mr. Ayesh Madawa De Silva, Mr. Damitha Leelaratne, Mrs. Kumari Wickramaratne, Mr. Saman Warusawithana (Vice President), Air Cdre Thilan De Silva, Dr. Deshapriya Wijethunga, Dr. P. Warusawithana, Mr. Bandu De Silva (9 members)

**Absent:** Mr. Channa Pushpakumara, Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya, Prof. Lalith De Silva, Mr. Mohan Wijeratne, Mr. Nishantha de Soyza, Mr. Ashoka Weerasinghe, Mrs. Chabeisha Edirimuni, Mr. Sudath Jinapriya, Brig. Bimal Widanage, Ms. Maubry Ginige, Mr. Raj De Silva, Mr. Gaveshan Weerakkody (12 members)

1. **Meeting called to order at 6.30 pm**
2. **Commenced the day's proceedings, by singing the College song.**
3. Silent tribute to old Sokians who passed away during the last month: Mr R Ekman Silva, Mrs. Langani Fernando and /r S Newton Wijepala passed away in the month of November 16.
4. **Apologies for Absence:** Above members informed, that they were unable to participate.
5. **Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 02nd June 2016.**

The minutes were proposed by Dr. Mrs. Neela Gunasekara, seconded by Mr. Udaya Sirisena as correct subject correction of Mr. Bandu de Silva listed as Absent to be corrected as Regrets.

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

#### **a. Updated Membership Directory**

Maj. Mahesh de Silva stated that the membership directory is updated as and when updates are received.

#### **b. Update the DCPA Web**

Mr. Sudath Jinapriya to discuss the proceedings with Prof. Nihal Kodikara and to do a presentation at the next Exco meeting.

#### **c. Updating the IT Lab**

Prof. Nihal Kodikara mentioned that IT Lab was updated with an expense of Rs.100,000/- and requested for reimbursement of Rs. 15,200/- as additional expenses. Treasurer

questioned whether the expense was approved at the AGM as it was only Rs.100,000/= allocated for the IT project under Infrastructure Fund.

However, the committee decided to approve the reimbursement as the expense was incurred in good faith for the development of IT Lab.

**d. Status of Physical Activities:**

Construction of the building interrupted by the Galle District Engineer was subsequently approved after the meeting Mr. Lal Premanath and also Mr. Premanath handed over a cheque for the value of Rs.250,000/- to Treasurer as his contribution for the construction for the building.

**e. Status of Educational Excellence:**

Dr. Deshapriya Wijethunga to liaise with Mr Susiri de Silva and implement the proposals accordingly.

**f. Status of Sports Activities**

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

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

Mr Jayantha Kodiara tabled the outstanding's to be recovered from the sale of tickets and banners and requested all members to settle the outstanding at the earliest and Mr. Palitha to follow up with the members who have to settle the outstanding's. He further mentioned that the event shall generate a total profit of Rs. 277,455/- with the collection of all outstanding's.

**h. Accounts for the last month**

The Treasurer tabled the monthly accounts for the month of November 2016. Treasurer said that the draft annual accounts will be tabled at the January meeting. Also, it was decided that the 30 Ties sold to be treated as bulk sales at Rs. 250/- each.

Also, the Committee decided that the funds injected for the Centenary Celebrations for "Damso Walk 2012" and T Shirts to the value of Rs. 65,550/- and Rs. 91,650/- to be considered as written off.

**i. 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 to 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.

**7. Correspondence:**

Jt. Secretary Mr. Palitha tabled the email sent by Mr. Ayesh Madawa and committee noted the contents of t and committee thanked and appreciate Mr. Ayesh Madawa's efforts on selling the ties and his tireless contribution in other activities.

**8. Any Other Matters:**

None.

**9. Vote of Thanks:**

Vote of Thanks was given by Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana to Prof. Nihal Kodikara for providing refreshments and for the arrangements made at the OPA for the meeting.

**Next meeting will be held at Dr. P. Warusawithana's residence on Thursday the 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2017 at 6.30 pm.**

**Palitha Widanapathirana**

**Jt. Secretary**

**3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2016.**