

S. THOMAS' COLLEGE GURUTALAWA - OLD BOYS ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 08 OF 2009/2010 (317th)
OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Date : December 29, 2009 at 07:10pm

Place : No.3, Swarna Place, Nawala.

Present :

Rev. Marc Billimoria	(MB)	President
Mr. Prabhath Jayasundara	(PJ)	Senior Vice President
Mr. M. Thirumurugamoorthi	(MT)	Vice President
Mr. Dinusha de Costa	(DC)	Hony. Secretary
Mr. P. Dhayabaran	(PD)	Hony. Treasurer
Mr. Nihal Wanniarachchi	(NW)	
Mr. E.S. Weerasinghe	(ES)	

Excuses

Mr. Christo Gonawela
Mr. S. Prabakaran
Mr. S. Balaramesh
Mr. Thanura Fernando
Mr. A.C.M.Rashid
Mr. Krishantha Weerawardane
Mr. Wansapriya Gunaseela
Mr. M. Vinodth

Absent

Mr. Ziard Sinnen
Mr. Shervon Fernando
Mr. S. Rajmohan
Mr. Chandana De Silva
Mr. Sherveen Pietersz
Mr. Athula Kumaranayake
Mr. M.P.D. Perera
Mr. Palitha Rajapaksa
Mr. Omal Jayasinghe

Invitees

Mr. Bandu Wanigasekara
Mr. Ananda Gallearachchi

1. Call Meeting to Order

The President (MB) chaired and called the meeting to order. He welcomed the invitees, Messrs. Bandu Wanigasekara and Ananda Gallearachchi for their participation

2. Notice of Meeting

Notice of meeting was taken as read.

3. Messages of Excuse

As above

4. Obituaries

None

5. Correspondence

None

6. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of previous meeting were accepted as a true record subject to amendment below:

Item 11. Any Other Businesses

“50 Years of Rugby at Gurutalawa” was discussed by A.D. Sandakelum.

(Above is proposed by NW and seconded by MT.)

7. Matters Arising

Matters below were discussed;

- Requirement of having a Sports Coordinator or Sports Development Officer who will work under Prefect-of-Games. PJ will make arrangements to publish the advertisement for the above vacancy by 10th January 2010. This candidate should possess Trainer qualification in sports, good command in English and be resident in the school.
- College cricket game has been temporarily stopped due to Mr. Kamalakannan's resignation, thus it will not be able to participate U-13 cricket matches. Another candidate's requirement has arisen for a Cricket Coach, due to upcoming Big-match (Guru/Banda U-15) and several other tournaments.
- PJ has contacted the chairman of the Edu. & Fac. Development, to check the progress of their planned project. As stated by him the Projector, White boards & the training camps will be ready within next 2 weeks.

8. Headmaster's Report

- Two Structural Engineers have provided the guidelines & advice on improving the college Swimming Pool.
- Currently the college student roll is below 500. Out of this, there is handful of students who represent the Tamil medium.
Therefore, we need to have a better plan to promote for more admissions.
- Majority of College accounts are being computerised.
Mr.B.Wanigasekera requested HM to computerise all accounts related activities, as it was admitted that Receipts are done by hand and this means extra work to put in data to the computer. Computerised receipts are needed.
- Refurbishing of the Swimming Pool will be completed by 15th January 2010.
As per HM, the second phase of the Swimming Pool refurbishing project has to be considered by the OBA to complete Pump House, Water filter system, Tiling and Lighting system.
- A good offer to develop the 9 Acre Block was received from an Old Boy, but the matter did not proceed due to few Members of the Board felt it should be advertised to get more offers. It was pointed out that we may lose the offer in hand as a result.
- Currently the farm is improving in many ways which showed a profit for the month of November 2009.
- Rs.66,000/= in Fixed Deposit from Mr.Peter Weerakoons contribution needs to be deposited to the OBA account after its maturity by February 2010. HM requested Mr.Gallearachchi to co-ordinate this with Mr.B.Wanigasekera.

9. Treasurer's Report

Current AC Balance Rs.467,786.65/= as of to date.

Necessary steps to be taken for the all the Sports Funds to be separated from the main account and be represented by the Fixed Deposits.

- ✓ Annual Fellowship Dinner which was held on 28th November 2009 made a profit of Rs.35,942/= and the final account was circulated amongst the Ex-Co members.
- ✓ With Holding Tax (WHT) is still being deducted from OBA accounts. Therefore, necessary actions to be taken by the Treasurer early as possible.
- ✓ PJ undertook transferring HNB accounts to NSB due to higher interest & safety on next maturity date.

10. Sub Committees

- a) Membership Directory - Mr.Moorthy said he will collect balance amounts for adverts soonest.
- b) Fellowship Dinner - The president advised to plan future events and share information among other Schools to minimise clashing on the same date.
- c) Sports Development - '83 & '84 batches will fund Rs.10,000/= a month being a salary contribution to the Master-In-Charge of Sports.
- d) Education & Faculty Development - See under Matters arising (PJ).
- e) Infrastructure Development -
 - ✓ The refurbishing of the Swimming pool continues.
 - ✓ Mr.V.V.Karunaratne to be contacted to refurbish college inner roads
 - ✓ The President noted that the College Van needs to be sold soon due to its present condition and go for a new similar type of a new Van.

11. Any Other Business

- ✓ AGM to be held on Saturday, 20th February 2010 was decided by the President
- ✓ He advised the ExCo, not to sell Alcohol at the AGM event
- ✓ Final Accounts 2009 and Secretary's report for the last year needs to be tabled at least at the next meeting.

12. Next Meeting

The Meeting was adjourned at 08:30pm. Next meeting was decided by the President to be held on 20th January 2010.

Confirmed as correct.

Chairman