

**DHARMASOKA COLLEGE PAST PUPIL'S ASSOCIATION
COLOMBO BRANCH**

**Minutes of 36th Annual General Meeting held at 9.00 AM on 18th May 2024 at
Hotel Janaki, Fifes Road, Colombo 05**

1. Meeting was called to order by the President AVM (Retd) Thilan De Silva at 9.45 am. President warmly welcomed all members and the invitees present.
2. AGM proceedings was commenced by singing the College song and observing two minutes silence in memory of the members passed away during 2023-24.
3. **Welcome address by the President.**
President welcomed all the invitees and members present
4. **Apologies for absence**
Dr P Warusawithana
Mrs Pubudu De Zoysa
Mrs. Kushani Rohanadeera
5. **Donation to the scholarship Trust by the children of Late Mr. RGL De Silva**
A special donation of Rs 1,200,000 to the scholarship trust was made in memory of Mr RGL De Silva by his family. Two daughters of Mr De Silva presented the donation to the President.
6. **Felicitation to the former Principal Mr. Godwin I. De Silva**
A special felicitation to Mr Godwin I. De Silva, former Principal was done. Mr Jagath Chandralal read the citation of Mr De Silva and Dr Aruna Lokuliyana made a key note address on the book "Viduhala apa maw Dharmasoka" written by Mr De Silva. A token of appreciation was presented to the former Principal by the President. Mr De Siva made a speech on his experience and thanked the association for the delicitation.
7. **Felicitation to Mr. Piyadasa Hettihewa – Oldest living past President**
A felicitation was conducted to Mr Piyadasa Hettihewa, the oldest living member of the association.
8. **Adoption of the minutes of the 35th Annual General Meeting**
President stated that the minutes of last AGM (35th) were distributed via email in advance and extra copies were available on site if needed for reference. Members were requested to highlight their observations on the minutes, if there were any.

As there were no observations, minutes were proposed as Seconded by Mr. Susiri De Silva & Mr. Hemantha De Silva respectively.

9. Presentation of Annual Report of 2023/24 by the Secretary

Presentation was done on the activities & achievements of the Executive Committee during their tenure by the President.

10. Matters arising from the Annual Report

Dr Saveen Semage proposed a special appreciation to the Members of the Scholarship Trust for their hard work to maintain the high standards and professionalism in managing the Trust and he pointed out it has become the flagship of the association.

11. Presentation/Review and Adoption of the Audited Financial Statement and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st March 2024

Hony. Treasurer Mr Harish Guruge mentioned that Audited Financial Statements as at 31st March 2024 were circulated among general membership via email. He presented and highlighted Income and Expenditure for the year and the bank balances of the Association as at 31st March 2024.

Mrs Kumari Wickramaratne voiced that Financial documents such as FD etc.. should be kept in a secure manner. Both Treasure DCPA – CB, Mr. Harish Guruge & Trust Treasure, Mr. Hemantha De Silva explained the way they secure all those important documents & informed that all those documents cannot be handed over to anyone else as securing those are responsibility of Treasure.

Annual Accounts were adopted as proposed by Mr. Janaka De Silva and seconded by Eng. Chandralal Sooriyaarachchi

12. Tabling of correspondences

Principal, Dharmasoka College has requested to arrange a Photo Copier for the school. It was suggested to purchase using remaining funds at Infrastructure Fund. Members present approved the suggestion unanimously.

13. Tabling of Notices, Resolutions or any other matters

14. Address by Patron of the association/ Principal, Dharmasoka College

Principal addressed the membership and reiterated his commitment to uplift the image of the school. He requested assistance for postgraduate education of the teachers of the school who are past pupils of Dharmasoka College.

15. Election of Office Bearers and Committee Members for the year 2024/25

Pro-tem chairman: Mr Lal Premanath's name was proposed by Mr Susiri De Silva and seconded by Mr Hemantha De Silva

Executive committee appointed by the 36th AGM

Appointment	Name	Proposed	Seconded
Patron	Mr. KAD Karunaratne	By Constitution	
President	AVM (Rtd) Dilshan Wasage	Mr Janaka Kumudu	Mr Dhammika Kodikara
Immediate past president	AVM (Retd) Thilan De Silva	By Constitution	
Senior vice president	Eng Palitha Hendaheewa	Mr Iman Perera	Mr Dhammika Kodikara
Vice president	Mr Iman Perera	Mr Channa De Silva	Dr Neela Gunasekara
	Mr Kelum Jayasuriya	Mr Dhammika Kodikara	Mrs Deepika De Silva
	Eng Pubudu De Zoysa	Mr Hemantha De Silva	Mr Kelum Jayasuriya
	Mr Dhananjaya Nandasiri	Mr Kelum Jayasuriya	Mr Hemantha De Silva
Secretary	Brig (Retd) Dr Saveen Semage	Mr Kelum Jayasuriya	Mr Iman Perera
Assistant Secretary	Mr Janaka Kumudu	Mr Hemantha De Silva	Eng Lal Premanath
Treasurer	Mr Harish Guruge	Mr Janaka Kumudu	Mr Hemantha Desilva
Assistant Treasurer	Mr Hemantha De Silva	Mr Chandrakumara Lokuliyana	Mr Dhananjaya Nandasiri
Editor	Mr Chandrakumara Lokuliyana	Mr Nipul Gunasekara	Mr Palitha Hendaheewa
Auditor	Mr Nelson De Silva	Mr Hemantha De Silva	Mr Lal Premanath
Committee member	Mr Saman Warusawithana	Mrs Samaji Senevirathne	Mr Kelum Jayasuriya
	Mr Dhammika Kodikara	Eng Palitha Hendaheewa	Mr Chandrakumara Lokuliyana
	Mr Nipul Gunasekara	Mr Iman Perera	Eng Lal Premanath
	Dr Neela Gunasekara	Mr Lal Premanath	Mrs Shyama De Silva
	Dr P Warusawithana	Mr Channa De Silva	Mr Thilan De Silva
	Mr Chandana Guniyangoda	Mrs Chani Hettiarachchi	Mr Kelum Jayasuriya
	Eng Sudath De silva	Mr Janaka Kumudu	Mr Iman Perera
	Mrs Sajeewa Priyadharshani	Mr Hemantha De Silva	Dr Neela Gunasekara
	Mr Chaminda Wijewickrama	Mr Chaminda Wijewickrama	Mr Dhananjaya Nandasiri
	Mrs Shyama De Silva	Dr Neela Gunasekara	Mrs Sajeewa Priyadharshani
	Dr Deshapriya Wijethunge	Dr Deshapriya Wijethunge	Mrs Sajeewa Priyadharshani
	Eng Lal Premanath	Mr Thilan De Silva	Mr Hemantha De Silva
	Vice Admiral (Retd) Piyal De Silva	Eng Palitha Hendaheewa	Mr Nipul Gunasekara
	Mr Susiri De Silva	Mr Hemantha De Silva	Eng Lal Premanath
	Mrs Helani De Zoysa	Mrs Chani Hettiarachchi	Mrs Sajeewa Priyadharshani

	Mrs Kushani Rohanadeera	Mr Janaka Kumudu	Dr Neela Gunasekara
	Mrs Rekha Mallawarachchi	Mrs Ramya Jayasinghe	Mr Susiri De Silva
	Dr Aruna Lokuliyana	Mr Iman Perera	Dr Neela Gunasekara
	Mr Prabath Sugathadasa	Mr Nipul Gunasekara	Mrs Ramya De Silva
	Mrs Yamuna Hetiarachchi	Mr Kelum Jayasuriya	Mr Chandana Guniyangoda
	Mr Udaya Sirisena	Eng Lal Premanath	Mr Hemantha De Silva
	Mr Wasantha Kumara	Mr Dhammika Kodikara	Mr Iman Perera
	Eng Chandralal Suriyarachchi	Mr Channa De Silva	Mr Hemanta De Silva
	Mr Dewmith Kaggodarachchi	Mr Kelum Jayasuriya	Mr Chandana Guniyangoda
	Mr Prasanna Egodage	Mr Dhanajaya Nandasiri	Mr Dhammika Kodikara

16. Address by the newly elected president

The newly elected President AVM (Retd) Dilshan Wasage expressed his sincere gratitude for electing him as the President and pledge to commit himself to achieve the goals of the association. He also requested the support of all the members for the activities of the association. He welcomed newly elected Executive Committee and requested their fullest commitment and support. He also thanked the previous committees for dedication and commitment in bringing up the association to a very high standard.

17. Vote of thanks

Newly elected Secretary Dr Saveen Semage stated that it is a great honour to be elected as the Hony. Secretary of the association. He thanked Principal of the College, Mr Godwin De Silva and Prof Hettihewa for attending the AGM and enlightening the audience with their valuable thoughts. He thanked Mr Jagath Chandralal and Dr Lokuliyana for their contribution for the felicitation of Mr Godwin De Silva. The Secretary expressed the gratitude of the association to the daughters of Mr RGL De Silva for the presence and valuable contribution to the scholarship trust. He also thanked the staff of Hotel Janaki and Mr Asanji Wickramasinghe for their support in conducting the AGM.

Brig (Retd) Dr Saveen Semage
Secretary
DCPPA – Colombo Branch