



## DHARMASOKA COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION COLOMBO BRANCH

**MINUTES OF THE 2ND EX – CO MEETING FOR THE YEAR 2016/17 HELD ON 05<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2016,  
AT THE RESIDENCE OF DR. P. WARUSAWITHANA AT NO. 11, DE SILVA ROAD, KALUBOWILA  
AT 6.00PM**

**Present:**

Mr. Lal Premanath (President), Mr. Chandralal Sooriyaarachchi (Senior Vice President), Dr. Mrs. Neela Gunasekara (Vice President), Mr. Saman Warusawithana (Vice President), Prof. Nihal Kodikara (Vice President), Mr. Jayantha Kodikara (Vice President), Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana (Jt. Secretary), Mrs. Shyama Gunawardana (Jt. Secretary), Mr. Harish Guruge (Treasurer), Air Cdre Thilan De Silva, Mr. Bandu De Silva, Dr. P. Warusawithana, Mrs. Samaji Seneviratne, Mr. L. Channa De Silva, Mr. Udaya Sirisena, Dr. Ranjula Gunawardana, Maj. Mahesh De Silva, Mr. Hemantha De Silva, Mr. Sudath Jinapriya, Mr. Ayesh Madawa De Silva, Dr. Deshapriya Wijethunga, Mrs. Yawwani Perera, Mr. Gaveshan Weerakkody, Mr. M.B. Hemadasa, Mr. Mohan Wijeratna, Mr. Asoka Weerasinghe, Miss. Chabiesha Edirimuni, Mr. Nishantha de Zoysa, (28 members).

**Regrets:** Mr. Susiri De Silva (Immediate Past President), Mr. Raj De Silva, Mrs. Kumari Wickramaratne, Ms. Maubry Ginige (4 members)

**Absent:** Prof. Lalith De Silva, Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya, Brig. Bimal Widanage, Mr. Nelson De Silva (Auditor), Mr. Channa Pushpamal (5 members)

**i. Meeting called to order at 6.00 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:**

Mr. Channa De Silva's father- Mr. Newton De Silva

**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 April 2016.**

The minutes were proposed by Mr. Chandralal Sooriyaarachchi and seconded by Mrs. Samaji Seneviratne as correct.

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

**a. Updated Membership Directory:**

Mj. Mahesh De Silva presented the updated Directory and he mentioned each member has a profile page which gives the additional details like photograph, and the period of study. Also decide to add participation in sports and achievements, whether member is a prefect etc.,. The Ex- Co requested Mj. Mahesh De Silva to send an application to all the members and get these details from them to update the directory.

- b. DCPPA Web update:**  
President pointed out the photographs appeared in the web is very old and to replace them with the new photographs taken at recent events.  
Prof. Nihal Kodikara said that he is planning to update the whole web page and requested all the subcommittee Chairmen's to send 5 photographs of their recent activities.  
Mr. Ayes De Silva and Kasun De Soysa were requested to create a Face book account for the DCPPA Colombo Branch and Mr. Sudath Jinapriya was appointed to the Media Committee.
- c. Guidelines for the Newsletter:**  
Dr. Mrs Neela Gunsekara presented the New Guide lines for the News letter.  
The subcommittee was requested to brief the finalized guidelines at the next Ex- Co. Meeting.
- d. Status of Day Outing :**  
The date was fixed as 2<sup>nd</sup> July and still the venue is not finalized. Therefore subcommittee Chairman was requested to find a venue for which the total cost to be maintained below Rs. 3000/-, including transport.
- e. Status of Physical Activities:**  
Tabled the subcommittee minutes. The subcommittee Chairman, the President said that he will continue to canvass funds from the members whose names are in the list with the help of Vice Presidents.  
Prof. Kodikara said that their batch already collected Rs.60,000/- out of Rs.100,000/-for the computer project and he wanted President to remind Mr. Piyal De Silva regarding the. Rs. 100,000/- that he agreed to contribute for the renovation of computer lab.
- f. Status of Education Excellence Activities:**  
Since the subcommittee Chairman Mr. Susiri De Silva was absent, it was decided to take this matter up at the next meeting.
- g. Status of Sports Activities:**  
Since the subcommittee Chairman Brig. Bimal Widanage is absent, it was decided to take this up at the next meeting.
- vii. Monthly Accounts:**  
Treasurer, Mr. Harish Guruge tabled the monthly accounts for the month of April 2016.  
He mentioned that Mr. Raj de Silva already contributed Rs. 10,000/- for the Infrastructure Development fund and he promised to give the balance in monthly installment of Rs. 10,000/- and now two installments are due from him.  
Mr. Hemantha De Silva has contributed Rs. 25,000/- and balance Rs. 75,000/- is due from him.

**Viii. Activity Report for the months of March and April 2016.**

Media subcommittee chairman Mrs. Neela Gunasekera will table the report at the next meeting.

**ix. 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations Committee:**

Subcommittee Chairman requested to appoint an event treasurer to handle this work. Asst. Treasurer Dr. Mrs. Ranjula Gunawardana was appointed for the post and she will coordinate and report to the treasurer.

It was decided to have only the get-together events and not to have any felicitation ceremonies.

**x. Finalization of Year Plan 2016/2017:**

Air Comm. Thilan De Silva agreed to provide refreshments for August 2016 meeting and Mr. Saman Warusawithana agreed to host September 2016 meeting. October 2016 meeting refreshments will be provided by Mr. Chandralal Sooriyaarachchi.

**xi. Correspondence:**

A letter to the Principal, from a group of parents on badminton was tabled by the President.

**viii. Any Other Matters:**

Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana suggested that he would like to have a musical show of Dr. Amaradeva, Ms. Nanda Malini and Mr. Victor Ratnayake and few other prominent musicians.

He said this is not for fund raising project as usual and need to find a sponsor for the whole event.

**ix. Vote of Thanks:**

Vote of Thanks was given by the Jt. Secretary Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana to Dr. and Dr Mrs. Warusawithana for arranging and accommodating the meeting at their residence and Ms. Kumari Wickramaratne for providing refreshments.

He also thanked ASP Nishantha De Soysa for arranging a photographer to take the group photograph of the new Ex-Co and congratulated him for his promotion as SP.

Ex-co wished him and his wife for their wedding Anniversary.

**Next Ex-Co meeting will be held at the OPA, Pof. Stanley Wijesundara Mawatha, Colombo 7 on 02nd June, 2016 from 6.00PM to 8PM hosted by Mr. Gavesh Weerakkody and Mr. M.B. Hemadasa.**

**Shyama Gunawardana**

**Jt. Secretary**

**29<sup>th</sup> May, 2016**