



# DHARMASOKA COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION COLOMBO BRANCH

## MINUTES OF THE 4 TH EX – CO MEETING FOR THE YEAR 2017/18 HELD ON 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2017 AT THE RESIDENCE OF DR. RANJULA GUNAWARDENA, 1<sup>ST</sup> LANE, PAGODA ROAD, NUGEGODA.

### Present:

Mr. Chandralal Sooriyaarachchi(President), Mr. Lal Premanath(Immediate Past President), Mr. Saman Warusawithana(Senior Vice President), Mr. Udaya Sirisena (Vice President), Dr. P. Warusawithana (Vice President), Mr. Gavesh Ginige(Vice President), Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana (Jt. Secretary Mr. Harish Guruge(Treasurer), Mrs. Kumari Wickramaratne(Editor), Mr. Jayantha Kodikara, Maj. Mahesh De Silva, Mr. Bandu De Silva, Dr. Mrs. Ranjula Gunawardana, Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya, Air Cdre Thilan De Silva, Mr. Raj De Silva, Dr. Saveen Semage Mr. Shammie Uyange, Mr. Mathalie Jayasekara. Mr. Hemantha De Silva, Mr. Hemadasa De Silva, Mr. Gaveshan Weerakkody, Mr. Channa Pushpakumara

**Regrets:** Mrs. Shyama Gunawardana(Jt. Secretary), Prof. Nihal Kodikara, Ms. Pubudu de Zoysa. Mrs. Yawwani Perera, Mr. Susiri De Silva, Mr. Sudath Jinapriya, Mrs. Samaji Seneviratne

**Absent:** Mr. Rohan Liyanage, , Mr. Nishantha de Soyza., Mr. L. Channa De Silva Dr. Deshapriya Wijethunga Mr. K.M.G. Rohana Chaminda,

- 1. Meeting called to order at 6.30 pm**
- 2. Commenced the day's proceedings, by singing the College song.**
- 3. Silent tribute to Flood Victims who passed away during the recent floods.**  
**Deceased: Mr. Dayawansa Kumarawadu.**
- 4. Apologies for Absence:** Above members informed, that they were unable to participate.
- 5. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 04<sup>th</sup> May 2017:**  
Venue of the last meeting to be corrected as Sri Lanka Army Medical Corps, Werahara, Borelasgamuwa, hosted by Lt. Col. Saveen Semage.

The unsettled invoice of the building contractor was settled with on account payment and not in cash.

Subject to above corrections minutes were proposed as correct by Mr. Jayantha Kodikara and seconded by Mr. Bandu de Silva.

### 6. Matters arising from Last Meeting Minutes:

Mr. Saman Warusawithana's name to be changed as Mr. Gavesh Ginige in the Agenda.

#### a. Fund Raiser:

Mr. Gavesh Ginige was requested to send an email to Exco Members with all details. President. Mr. Chandralal questioned of what options the Exco has in case of no profit situation. In response, it was decided to print a souvenir and Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya suggested Mr. Chahna Pushpamal to activate the proceedings.

Sub Committee to comprise of following members:

Mr. Gavesh Ginige, Mr. Channa Pushpamal, Mr. Bandu de Silva, Mr. Gaveshan Weerakkody, Mr. Jayantha Kodikara, Ms. Kumari Wickramaratne and any other Exco members to actively participate.

**b. Annual Trip:**

The event was postponed and Mr. Gavesh Ginige confirmed event was rescheduled for October 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> October 2017 and to confirm the venue.

**c. Membership Drive:**

Mr. Udaya Sirisena said that up to date 40 new members and next month further 20 new members will be enlisted and requested the support of all Exco members to achieve the target.

Major Mashesh de Silva mentioned that the current members of the association stand at 805.

**d. Re Union:**

The date changed to 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2017 at Grand Monarch at Thalawathugoda .

President. Mr. Chandralal said that he has already paid Rs. 50,000/- advance for the reservation and also requested committee members to suggest a Chief Guest and any additional events.

Tickets were handed over to Dr. Rajula for the distribution.

**e. Update the DCPA Web :**

In absence of Prof. Nihal Kodikara, Mr. Shammie Uyanage appealed for members support. Ms. Kumara Wickramaratne requested him to send a detailed email of the layout to all members for their guidance and information.

**f. Status of Trust Fund**

Mr. Lal Premanath briefed about the financial status of the Trust and said that the Trust has Rs. 9 million in Fixed Deposits and can award 16 scholarships annually with interest thereon.

Also he suggested reducing the 2 scholarships awarded by DCPA to 1 scholarship due to lack of funds and the committee agreed, but to look for sponsors.

Mr. Hemantha de Silva has taken over the position as the new Treasurer.

**g. Status of Physical Activities:**

**I. Building Construction:**

**Construction of Toilet Block**

Mr. Lal Premanath mentioned that Mr. Bandaragoda promised a donation of Rs. 500,000/- and Rs. 200,000/- already received.

Mr. Susiri de Silva to contact Prof. Indraratne's son and to collect the donation of Rs. 500,000/- promised before Prof. Indraratne's demise.

Mr. Lal Premanath requested committee members to campaign to collect balance of Rs. 2 million and also mentioned that the team visited the school on 15<sup>th</sup> June and met with Principal to discuss the related matters and also visited the site. Further, stated the toilet work is 50% completed.

Mr. Mahinda Deshpriya contacted the contractor to expedite the work.

**II. Construction of the Statue of Mudlier Thomas de Silva:**

Mr. Lal Premanth mentioned that the statue is already completed and to make a visit to inspect before erecting.

**h. Status of Educational Excellence:**

Since Mr. Susiri De Silva was not present, updates to be made at the next Exco meeting.

**i. Status of Sports Activities:**

Mr Gavesh Ginige said he will update on the Sports Development Action Plan at the next meeting.

**j. Accounts for the last month**

Since Treasurer was late to come for the meeting, Assistant Treasurer Dr. Ranjula read out the accounts and Ms. Kuari Wickramarate suggested emailing the accounts.

**7. Correspondence: - NIL**

**8. Any Other Matters: - 3 new members were enlisted during the month as follows.**

	<b>New Member</b>	<b>Introduced by:</b>
1	Mr. A.H. De Silva	Mr. Udaya Sirisena
2	Mr. A.W. Terrance W. Shantha	Mr. Chamainda Rohana
2	Mr. H.G Surin Dilupa	Mr. Udaya Sirisena

**9. Vote of Thanks:**

Vote of thanks was given by Mr. Palitha Widanapathirana to Dr. Ranjula Gunawardana and Dr. Sunil de Silva and the family for arranging the meeting and hosting the dinner for members and invitees.

Palitha Widanapathirana

**Jt. Secretary**

**31<sup>th</sup> July 2014.**