

**S. THOMAS' COLLEGE AT GURUTALAWA OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION**  
**HONY. SECRETARY'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2019 / 2020**

On behalf of the Executive Committee, it is a pleasure to present the report on activities during period of Feb 2019 to Feb 2020.

**CRICKET MATCH – PRESENT BOYS vs. OLD BOYS**

The traditional cricket match between the present and the old boys, being the most popular event, was played at the College grounds on Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> February 2019. The cricket match was won by the Old boys. Simultaneously, the hockey match played between the Old Boys and Present boys for ACM Laffir and Rev. Fr. H.C. Goodchild was won by the latter. Unfortunately, though the Swimming competition was in the agenda the competition was not held due to time constrain. However, many old boys irrespective of their age enjoyed a dip in the pool to cool themselves. Basketball match too did not work out due to adverse weather condition.

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2019**

The AGM was held at the Canon A.J. Foster Memorial Hall at 6.30 p.m. on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2019 presided by Headmaster, Ex officio – President of the Association. Please refer to the AGM minutes attached.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS & ATTENDANCE**

Executive Committee members including Office Bearers were elected for the year 2019 / 2020. Please refer annexure ONE. Co - opted members were included during term are mentioned below.

Mr. Nihal Wanniarachchi  
Mr. Shervon Fernando  
Mr. S. Rajmohan  
Mr. Samantha Perera

The Ex-Co formally held 9 meetings. Please be aware that many Fellowship Dinner Organising Committee meetings were held, in view of the Fellowship Dinner held at Mount Lavinia Hotel in November.

Ex-Co held its mandatory meeting in College as required by the OBA rules on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2019 at the College Library.

Please refer **Annexure TWO** with regard to attendance of our ExCo members at the meetings.

## **OBITUARIES**

It is with profound sorrow we record the demise of our friends of our Alma Matter.

- Late Mr. Chethiya Fernando
- Late Mr. Sri Pathmanathan
- Late Mr. M. Wijesinghe
- Late Mr. Claude Rangana Fernando
- Late Mr. Mohan Kumar
- Late Mr. WasanthaWijesighe
- Late. Mr. ArumugamSivanesarajah

The Association conveys its heart felt sympathies and condolences to all members of the bereaved families. May they rest in eternal peace.

## **SUB COMMITTEE**

The following were nominated which they readily accepted. Thanks to them.

Mr. MTM. Moorthy	Membership Drive
Mr. BandulaVithanage	Infrastructure Development
Prof. Indika Gawaramanne	Health,Hygienic, Nutrition and Safety
Mr. Bimal Bandaranayake	Sports Development
Mr. Ilanko Arunachalam	IT Sector Development

## **COLLEGE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS – FEB 2019 TO FEB 2020**

**The OBA to support the following infrastructure development requests from college**

❖ **To complete Stage II – the new playground (Turf/Sprinklers/Boundary Fencing)**

Our grateful thanks for the generous contributions received towards Stage II of the new playground from the under mentioned old boys and well wishers

R. Rajaram	Rs. 10,000
P.C.Munasinghe	Rs. 25,000
Srinath Rodrigo	Rs. 50,000
Thusitha Hadapangoda	Rs. 50,000
Upali Gunaratne	Rs. 100,000
CTC	Rs. 350,000

- ❖ **Refurbishment of the basketball court**
- ❖ **Refurbishment of the badminton court**
- ❖ **New classroom building**
- ❖ **Refurbishment of faculty quarters**

## **OLD BOYS FELLOWSHIP DINNER2019**

Held at Mount Lavinia Hotel on 23<sup>rd</sup> of November 2019. Please refer Treasurer's report for details. Our grateful thanks to the following for who generously sponsored or contributed to make this event a success

Senaka De Fonseka	CTC Selling Rights	Rs 300,000
Ziad Sinnen	Band	Rs 50,000
Mano Gnanaraj	LED Display Screen	Rs 50,000
M. A. M. Rizwan	Printing	Rs 20,000
Bandula Vithanage	Saxophonist	Rs 15,000

Our advertisers at the dinner, Mr. Sanath Ukwatte Chairman & Jayantha Sirisena Director Mount Lavinia Hotel for giving us an extremely good discount for food and beverages and to the management and staff for their services.

## **ANNUAL PRIZEGIVING**

The Annual Prizegiving was held on 21<sup>st</sup> of September 2019. The Chief Guest was Lord Bishop Duleep De Chikera and Madam Chikera. The Vote of Thanks was proposed by the Senior Vice President – STCG OBA, Bandula Vithanage. Some Ex-Co members and a few old boys were also present at this occasion.

## **“GURU DAY” AT MT. LAVINIA**

This great event initiated by Fr. Mark Billimoria was not held due to the prevailing situation of the country, then.

## **OUR THANKS**

Our sincere thanks to Headmaster – Ven. Philip Nesakumar and his former Deputy - Mr. Samantha Perera, Manager – Mr. Senaka de Fonseka and all the members of staff for their hospitality extended to us at our 2018 OBA Reunion Celebrations and the support for all other OBA activity throughout the period under review.

Our thanks to the Management of Diocese of Colombo and Kithu Sevana for providing the services of their Board Room by levying a very nominal fee to hold our meetings in Colombo.

Our thanks to Mr. Lakshman Jayathilake for his enthusiasm and keenness in timely updating all the STCG OBA news and events and whatever other news related to the Thomian fraternity through the website [www.stcg62group.org](http://www.stcg62group.org).

Finally, my sincere thanks to the Headmaster and all the members of the staff at College, to all the OBA members and old boys, well-wishers and to my dear members of the Ex-Co for their valuable advice and unstinted support in discharging the duties entrusted to me.

**ESTO PERPETUA**

On behalf of the Ex-CO 2019/2020

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Hony. Secretary  
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