

ST. STANISLAUS COLLEGE ASSOCIATION – BARBADOS CHAPTER

MINUTES OF THE FOURTEENTH (14th) AGM OF THE ST. STANISLAUS COLLEGE ASSOCIATION –BDS, HELD ON NOVEMBER 6th 2009 IN THE BOARD ROOM OF CHICKMONT FOODS, CHRIST CHURCH

PRESENT WERE:

Executive Committee Members:

President – Gavin Ferreira

Secretary – Richard Bhola

Assistant Secretary – Kenneth Khan

Treasurer – Kesh Saywack

Immediate Past President - Pat Thompson

Members:

Mark Mc Watt, Roger King, Danson Anderson, Fabiola Wong, Gavin Bovell, Solomon Johnson, Narissa Dhanraj-Ramdhani, Keith Arno, Clement Derrell.

Absent: Sean Husain, Karen Dhani-Coonjah

1. Call to order

The President, Gavin Ferreira, thanked everyone for attending, and the meeting was called to order at 6.15 pm. The President chaired the meeting.

2. Adoption of the minutes of the 13th AGM held October 31st, 2008

The minutes of the last AGM were perused together on a page-by-page basis and there were minor corrections made. Adoption of the minutes was proposed by Pat Thompson and seconded by Mark McWatt. They were unanimously adopted.

Matters arising from the minutes

Pat Thompson inquired whether there has been an increase in paid-up members to determine if the Association was increasing in numbers. Fabiola suggested we should send an email with the link to Facebook to all members with email addresses. Richard volunteered to pursue this suggestion.

Pat also inquired whether any progress was made with the opening of an interest-bearing account that was proposed last year. Kesh responded, explaining that it was not possible because the Association was set up as a not-for-profit organisation which did not allow it to open an interest-bearing account.

It was also suggested that we should post information about the Wall of Fame

3. Presentation of the Annual Report by the President

The President presented his report to the members present. Gavin provided an updated account of the College and the Barbados Association. He indicated that the Association did well to persevere during the past year.

Pat Thompson spoke about the reunion and where the College is heading, explaining the proposal made to the Government for a private/public partnership and the fact that the Board of Governors was unable to meet with the President or Minister of Education.

Gavin explained that it will be difficult to get the Government's participation and it might be that there has to be a complete collapse before something is done.

Pat Derrell also provided his comments on where the College is heading relative to where it came from.

Kesh indicated that the Jesuits will not take over the College at all or be involved in it in any way.

The Association formally accepted Karen's resignation as vice president.

The President's report was proposed for adoption by Richard and seconded by Kesh. It was unanimously adopted.

Kesh commended Gavin for his role as President as well as Pat for all the work he has done.

4. Presentation of Financial Statement Jan 1, 2008 – Nov 6, 2009 by the Treasurer

Kesh presented the financial statement and explained that there is no audited financial statement this year since it was due at the AGM scheduled for November 2010.

The financial statement, after being perused, was proposed for adoption by Pat Thompson and seconded by Keith Arno. It was unanimously adopted.

5. Proposed change to the Constitution

Gavin explained the constitutional change, emphasising the effects of the change. The motion to change the constitution was unanimously agreed and carried.

Kesh mentioned that we do not need to fill all the positions of Committee Members.

The following were unanimously appointed to serve as Committee Members for the remaining term of the present Exec. Co, i.e. until the AGM scheduled for November 2010.

Karen Dhani-Coonjah
Clement Derrell
Fabiola Wong

6. Appointments to fill the vacant positions of Vice President and Secretary.

The following were unanimously appointed:

Vice President: Sean Husain
Secretary: Gavin Bovell

7. Activities for the rest of the year

There is a plan to have a Beach Lime on December 12, 2009 at 1pm. Ken Khan will notify everyone of the details prior to this date.

8. Any other business

Richard commended Ken for all the hard work that he puts in to keep the Association going.

Pat shared his appreciation of Richard’s service as Secretary and for opening his home to the Executive Committee for meetings.

Gavin Bovell spoke about his new role as Secretary and said he hopes to keep up the work of his predecessor.

There being no other matters, Gavin thanked everyone for attending and the meeting came to a close at 8:15 pm.

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Kenneth Khan
Asst. Secretary

November 6, 2009.

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Signature of President – Gavin Ferreira

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Signature of Secretary – Gavin Bovell