

ANNUAL REPORT 2017

1 Annual General Meeting

The Old Paulians' Association ("The Association") held its 91st Annual General Meeting ("AGM") on 26th March at 11.00 a.m. at St. Paul's Institution (Secondary), Jalan Manickavasagam, 70200 Seremban with a turnout of 33 members. The quorum required as per rule 9.5 of OPA's constitution was 20.

2. Management Committee Meetings

Nine Management Committee Meetings were held ("Meetings") since the AGM. The details of the attendance of each Committee member are as follows:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Attendance</u> | <u>Attendance (%)</u> |
|---|-------------------|-----------------------|
| David Wee Toh Kiong ("David Wee") | 9 of 9 | 100 |
| Ng Yee Tim ("Mr Ng") | 9 of 9 | 100 |
| Prof. Dr Ganakumaran Subramaniam ("Prof Dr Gana") | 6 of 9 | 67 |
| Steven Chan Weng Choy ("Steven Chan") | 7 of 9 | 78 |
| Lee Kok Keong ("Mr Lee") | 9 of 9 | 100 |
| Dato' Lai See Ming ("Dato Lai") | 9 of 9 | 100 |
| Tan Kok Chin ("Mr Tan") | 9 of 9 | 100 |
| Daniel Chow Cheng Hoh ("Mr Daniel Chow") | 2 of 9 | 22 |
| Sawarimutthu Rayappan ("Mutu") | 8 of 9 | 89 |
| Yam Kait Wah ("Mr Yam") | 6 of 9 | 67 |
| Sekar Jaganathan ("Mr Sekar") | 5 of 9 | 56 |
| Devasagayam Ayyakkannu ("Mr Deva") | 8 of 9 | 89 |

Tan Sri Dato' Chan Choong Tak is the Patron cum Advisor to the Association.

The Association is updated on the activities, developments and affairs of St Paul's Institution, Primary ("SPI Primary") and SPI Secondary by their Heads, Mr Santhanasamy Amaladas ("Mr Santhana") and Mr Lee Boon Seng ("Mr Lee") respectively or their representatives during the Management Meetings.

2.1 The following Sub Committees were as follow:

A. Mr Ng Yee Tim – Lasallian Liason & Recreation:

i) During the year, the following 3 trips were organised for the Association's members and their spouses/ friends.

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Days</u> | <u>Destination</u> | <u>Participants</u> |
|---|-------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 7 th - 16 th June | 10 | Russia | 18 |
| 17 th August | 1 | Bentong & Raub | 29 |
| 11 th – 18 th October | 8 | Shandong (China) | 18 |

The expenses for the above trips were borne by the members respectively.

(ii) MaLEC(Malaysian Lasallian Educators Conference).

The OPA was given the task to host the 7th Malaysian Lasallian Educators Conference. It is to be organised by the Regional Lasallian Education Council (Southern Zone) in collaboration with St Paul's Institution primary and secondary as well as the Old Paulians' Association.

Under the Chairmanship of Prof. Dr Ganakumaran Subramaniam , a meeting was held and decided to have it in early 2018 due to time constraint. The goal of MaLEC is to bring together all Lasallian schools and their associated organisations to participate from the conference, each other and to build a strong community of institutions that reflect high quality of Lasallian education. (Event is schedule for 19th to 21st March 2018)

B Mr Steven Chan Weng Choy – (Sports Committee)

The Association is affiliated to Negeri Sembilan Badminton Association, Persatuan Badminton Daerah Seremban (represented by Mr Lee Nam Yew) and the Negeri Sembilan Hockey Association (represented by Mr Subramaniam Rathnam).

Paulians' Sports Fund:

From an anonymous donor from the Class of 1985, the Paulian Sports Fund is for the Badminton, Hockey & Basketball training programmes to a higher level for both schools.

With this funding, the 2 schools were able to hire qualified and experienced coaches. The fund is also used to pay for venue rentals, transportation for players participating in competitions. However, the fund had ceased coming in August 2017. In spite of this, a few passionate coaches continued with their coaching in both schools.

Hockey: (Primary school): MSSD Seremban 1, we were runners-up. As in MSSNS, 5 of our players represented the State team and emerged Champions and in MSSM the team got 3RD placing and 5 players received the 'Anugerah Insan Terbilang'. As for SPI indoor hockey, our team emerged runners-up.

(Secondary School): (a) MSSNS Seremban 1 Tournament - U18 team - runners-up.

(b) Happy Hockey Six-a-side tournament – 4th placing.

(c) NSHA League – Players represented OPA - Quarter Final

(d) Apart from MSSNS tournament, the school team also participated in the following tournaments: - NSHA Six-a-side (U14), Uniten Six-a-side (Bukit Jalil, KL), NS League (U15), '1Mas' (U13) National competition, SPTS (S2) State level, MB League 2017 - SPI/OPA Team(Quarter finals), Liga Sukan Untuk Semua (Joint champions), SUKIM – 8 SPI players represented NS (Champions 2017), MSSMNS tournament – 10 SPI players represented Seremban 1 team (3rd placing).

Badminton: (Primary school)-School Annual Individual Championship (Year 4- 5):

Year 4 – Champion – Danish Haiqah, Runner-up: Kiran Raj & 3rd: Muhd Arshad

Year 5 – Champion- Dev Prsanan, Runner-up: Tharun Mahade, 3rd : Irfan Haziq

MSSD Championship: Singles: Both V. Victor & P. Aadesh lost in the early rounds.

Doubles: The 2 pairs of doubles performed creditably well with V. Victor/T. Leckharaj emerging as runners-up while M. Keshavael/P. Aadeshg won the bronze.

(Secondary): School competition-

Form 1(am): Champion: Bavesh Rao Madhaven Runner-up- Sharwin Kumar

Form 1 (pm): Champion: Yip Zhen Lam Runner-up- Holjhen Wong

Form 2 (am): Champion: Moses Roy Runner-up- Tejeswaran

Form 2 (pm): Champion: Sharwin Velaiyan Runner-up- Thiban

Form 3: Champion: Teh Hao Ahong Runner-up- Dharsshon

Form 4 & 5: Champion; Dhurrjaraj Koran Runner-up- Ng Han Keong

MSSDS Tournament (U18): Singles: Ravineshwaren lost in Round 2 while Ng Han Keong lost in Quarter-final.Doubles: Ng Han Keong/Calven Tan lost in the Quarter-final and Dhurrjaraj/Deephen lost in the Semi-final.

SPIIT competition: 3rd placing **AirAsia-BAM League 2017:** State level – 3rd placing.

Friendly tournament against Sportivo Badminton Academy: SPI team won 8 matches (3 Singles & 5 Doubles).

In the NSBA President's Cup, OPA had sent two teams for the tournament. Of the two teams, only one represented with the Elite Squad managed to go as far as semi-finals.

Basketball: In both schools, there was hardly any basketball coaching programme because of the difficulty of getting qualified coaches. At times, a coach would only come for a short spell in the Primary school and would leave without reasons. As for the Secondary school, the boys would train or rather play on their own during their P.E. time in the school. However, they would actively participate in inter-schools games and in our OPA Annual games.

Annual Games (OPA vs SPI):

Two games were played earlier in different venues and most of the other games were played in our alma mater on 5th August 2017 with the results as follows:

| <u>Games</u> | <u>Score</u> | <u>Winners</u> | <u>Venue</u> |
|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Badminton | 5 – 2 | OPA | Ma Hwa Hall |
| Football | 3 – 2 | OPA | SPI Secondary |
| Squash | 3 – 3 | SPI | Royal Sungai Ujong Club |
| Basketball | 52-24 | OPA | SPI Secondary |
| Table Tennis | 2 – 3 | SPI | SPI Secondary |
| Volleyball | 2 – 1 | OPA | SPI Secondary |

Result: OPA 4 - SPI 2. OPA was declared the overall Champions.

There was a record of participation from Old Paulians compared to prior years. Please visit the Association's website www.paulians.my or Facebook www.facebook.com/opaseremban for the coming games in 2018.

OPA Golf Tournament

The OPA Golf Tournament which had been held annually on the first Saturday of September since 1973. However, it was held on Friday this year on 1st September 2017 at the Staffield Golf & Country Club, Mantin.

Hole-in-One Prizes:

1. Honda Accord VTi-L (Ban Lee Heng Motors)
2. Latest Lady Americana King Size Mattress Model 'Elite' worth RM18,000-/(Lady Americana (M) Sdn. Bhd.)

There were 18 flights (71 participants including 2 professionals i.e. Ms Lim Ai Lian & Mr Victor Lim) this year with entries coming from as far as Hong Kong, Singapore, Australia and New Zealand.

The winners were:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Winners</u> | <u>Score</u> |
|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Gabriel Lee Poh Long | Gross Winner | 80 |
| Low Seng Koon | Gross Runner-up | 81 |
| Stanley Shoon | Nett Winner | 71 |
| Santhana Dass | Nett Runner-up | 72 |
| Raghibir Singh | Senior Winner | 79 |
| Jayakumar | Guest Winner | 68 |
| Alvin Tan Choon Hing | Guest Runner-up | 68 |
| Renny Lim | Nearest to the Pin | |
| Low Tuck Seng | Nearest to the Line | |
| Eugene Roy | Longest Drive | |

C Prof. Dr Ganakumaran Subramaniam (School Support Committee)

OPA School Support Committee Report

On 22.6.17, OPA had organised a bus to bring old Paulians and some teachers to attend the late Bro. Felix Donohue's wake and funeral at the St. Xavier's Church in Petaling Jaya.

In 2017/2018, the School Support Committee secured the following items for SPI primary and secondary.

SPI PRIMARY

| NO | DESCRIPTION | QUANTITY |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. | SAMSUNG SMART TV 55" | 1 |
| 2. | SAMSUNG 32" TELEVISION | 2 |
| 3. | SAMSUNG COMPUTER MONITORS | 54 |
| 4. | KEYBOARD | 70 |
| 5. | MOUSE | 103 |
| 6. | COMPACTOR FILING CABINETS | 2 |
| 7. | METAL BOOK SHELVES | 6 |
| 8. | GLASS PANEL DISPLAY CABINETS | 4 |
| 9. | COMPLETE SET DISMANTABLE SHELVES | 1 |
| 10. | EXECUTIVE CHAIRS | 10 |
| 11. | LOW CABINETS | 3 |
| 12. | GREEN CABINET | 1 |
| 13. | PIGEON HOLE OPEN CABINET | 1 |
| 14. | PIGEON HOLE CLOSED LOCKERS SET | 3 |
| 15. | SOFT BOARDS | 5 |
| 16. | SAMSUNG DISPLAY CABINET | 1 |
| 17. | BENCH | 1 |
| 18. | ROSTRUMS | 2 |
| 19. | TV STAND | 2 |
| 20. | INDUSTRIAL FANS | 7 |
| 21. | TALL DISPLAY CABINET SHELVES | 4 |
| 22. | PHOTO FRAMES | 6 |
| 23. | ELECTRONIC WHITE BOARD WITH PRINTER | 1 |
| 24. | MIC STAND | 5 |
| 25. | LOW FILING CABINETS | 4 |
| 27. | BIG ROUND MEETING TABLE | 1 |
| 28. | LARGE PROJECTOR SCREENS | 3 |
| 29. | PARTITION BOARDS | 20 |
| 30. | DUSTBINS | 10 |
| 31. | STATIONARY | |
| 32. | CLEAR GLASS BOARD | 1 |
| 33. | OVAL TABLES | 3 |
| 34. | FLAG STAND | 1 |
| 35. | EXTENSION CORDS | 6 |
| 36. | HEAVY DUTY CANTEEN RAILINGS | 50 FEET |
| 37. | HEAVY DUTY LARGE STAINLESS STEEL BINS | 5 |
| 38. | 5 HP AIRCON UNITS | 11 |
| 39. | LED FLORESCENT TUBES | 230 |
| 40. | HORN SPEAKERS | 4 |
| 41. | MULTIPLE OUTPUT PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM | 20 AMPLIFIERS |
| 42. | CEILING FAN | 30 |

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| 43. | INDUSTRIAL FANS | 8 |
| 44. | DISPLAY MONITOR MEETING ROOM SET | 20 |
| 45. | FIRE EXTINGUISHERS | 8 |

SPI SECONDARY

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|----|-------------------------|----|
| 1. | LED/LCD 55" TELEVISION | 2 |
| 2. | CEILING FANS | 10 |
| 3. | COMPUTER MONITORS | 5 |
| 4. | FLORESCENT TUBES | 60 |
| 5. | LARGE FIRE EXTINGUISHER | 1 |

D Mr Yam Kait Wah (Financial Sustainability Programme)

He had presented the 2018 Year Budget to the committee.

E Mr Sekar Jaganathan assisted by Mr Tan Kok Chin (Technologies & Multimedia)

The current website was developed more than 15 years ago. The committee has consented that the website which is an important tool in the current digital age, should be revamped.

The objective is to:

- To create a platform of communication for all Paulians from the oldest class to the present.
- Understanding the needs of fellow Paulians.
- "Paulians for Paulians".
- Channelling for a worthy cause.
- Create more awareness of the OPA's activities and also foster a stronger brotherhood amongst the Paulians and championing the Paulian spirit too.

The design started in August 2017 and work is still in progress. The structure of the website will be focussing on the following:

Home:

1. OPA Activities and highlight its impact to the school, students and to the Paulian community.
2. A simpler Content Management System.
3. Member's database for easier collaboration and sharing of information.
4. Integration with payment gateway.

The new website is expected to be launched by the 2018 Annual Dinner.

- Re-ignite the Paulian spirit from within.
- Communication among Paulians.
- Inculcate a stronger spirit among Paulians.

Needs:

- Semi Government aided school.
- Maintenance & Upgrading.
- Infrastructure of school has to be largely borne by Board Managers.

Funds Managed:

- Bro. Felix Donohue
- Bro. James Macken
- Sports Development
- Book Loan

F Mr Devasagayam Ayyakkannu assisted by Mr Daniel Chow Cheng Hoh (Building & Facilities)

Last year the Association bought the bungalow building near the Primary school. He was assigned to draw up the plans to turn the bungalow building into a club house for our members. There would be some renovations to it e.g. (i) replacing the fencing with a 3 feet

wall on top of it together with a gate towards the school field. (ii) roof leaks and also to replace doors and windows.

G Mr Sawarimutthu Rayappan (Membership Development)

The Association had recruited 50 (2016: 29) new Life Members since the last AGM. Most of the new members were mainly recruited during the Association's Annual Dinner held on 2nd September 2017.

The Membership is open to all former students of SPI Primary and SPI Secondary.

Kindly update the Association of any changes in member's address etc.

Below are the Membership Fees structure.

| <u>Membership</u> | <u>Fees (RM)</u> |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Entrance Fees | 5.00 |
| Ordinary Membership | 30.00 |
| Associate Membership | 20.00 |
| Life Membership | 100.00 |

Associate Membership shall be open to serving teachers and past teachers of SPI Primary and SPI Secondary or former students of other Lasallian Schools.

3. **OPA's 91st Annual Reunion Dinner**

It was held at the Regent Hall because of the ever- Increasing demand of old Paulians to meet up with their old friends and teachers and to reminisce their past experiences in St Paul's Institution year in and year out. We had reached a record of having 170 tables.

The 25th Year Group (Class of 1992) and 50th Year Group (Class of 1967) celebrated their Reunion Dinner with us.

The guests for the night included:

Rev. Fr. George Harrison

Rev. Fr. Selvam

Bro. Anthony Rogers (MFOLSA Advisor)

Bro. Andrew Loke (Country Co-ordinator)

Bro. Augustine Julian

Sis. Theresa Chua

Mr Michael Simon (MFOLSA President)

Representatives of other Lasallian Associations

Present and Former Heads of SPI Primary and SPI Secondary

Chairmen of the Board of Managers and the Board of Governors of the two schools

Representatives of the PTAs of the two schools

Representatives from ACS-OSA, KGV-OGA of Seremban

Plaques were presented to congratulate the following Award Recipients:

Award

State - **PMC**

Recipients

Mr Santhanasamy Amaladas

Mr Devasagayam Ayyakkannu

Tan Sri Dato Chan Choong Tak Award (Presented to the best all-rounder student of the year.)

Recipient: Mas. Murugappan a/l P. Nachiappan

OPA Scholastic Awards

The awards were given out at our Annual Reunion Dinner 2017.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>SPM</u> | <u>Parent's Name</u> |
|---------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| Lee Wei Wei | 11A | Lee Kong Hooi |
| Sagaya Raymond Innasi | 10A | Devasagayam Ayyakkannu |
| Joshua Charles Roy | 10A | Anthony Roy |
| Christine Low Chai Yong | 9A, 1B | Low Siak San |
| Preyanka Dewi Subramaniam | 9A | Subramaniam Ratnam |
| Divyatharsshni Sekar | 9A | Sekar Jaganathan |

BJM Recipients (SPI-Primary)

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| Mohd Haris Putra Bin Rauf | Rushaan Praadev a/l Ramesh |
| Muhammad Asyraf Aiman Bin Apani | Marvin a/l Ganesan |
| Muhammad Afif Haqim Bin Mohd Fazla | Raven Roy Peterson Kumar |
| Victor Oliviero Vincent | Muhammad Radi Stazwi Bin Roslan |
| Alvin Alfred | Daniel Mark a/l Iruthavasamy |

BFD Recipients (SPI-Secondary)

(Upper 6)

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| Leong Jun Xian | Siow Tze Wei | Choo Shien Liang |
| Chua Ling Ling | Vivian Chin Enrou | Ooi Qi Wen |
| Yong Ting En | Tee Han Shen | Hazel Cheah Kam Ying |
| Tan Yao Bin | Aw Jhing Yip | |

(Lower 6)

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|---------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Kong Yue Hin | Lim Mei Xin | Goh Yee Sam |
| Khoh Kia Hing | Rachel Lim Jia Chyl | Liew Chia Ming |
| Chin Yi Yun | Hiew Jia Hui | Lim Wai See |
| Siow Wei Han | Hew Xiner | |

4. **Malaysian Federation of La Sallian Associations ("The MFOLSA")**

The Association sends representatives to annual dinners of other Malaysian of Lasallians' Associations ("MFOLSA") as well as to MFOLSA meetings regularly.

Malaysian Federation of Lasallians' Associations ("MFOLSA")

For the information of new members, the MFOLSA was launched in 1976 by 5 Alumni Associations viz. Old Xaverians' Association Penang ("OXA"), Old Paulians' Association, Seremban ("OPA"), Old Georgians' Association, Taiping ("OGA"), Sacred Heart Old Students' Association, Sibul ("SHOSA") and St. Joseph's Old Boys' Association, Kuching ("SJOBA").

Presently, there are 19 alumni in the MFOLSA. Besides the above mentioned, the others are: St. John's Alumni Association, Kuala Lumpur ("SJAA"), Old Michaelians' Association Ipoh ("OMA"), St Michael's Institution Alumni Association (SMIAA), St. Francis Association, Malacca ("SFA"), Francians' Club – Kuala Lumpur ("FC-KL"), Xaverians' Club- Kuala Lumpur ("XC-KL"), La Salle Brickfields Old Boys' Association, Kuala Lumpur ("LSBOBA"), La Salle Sentul, Kuala Lumpur ("LSSOBA"), St Andreans' Association, Muar ("SAA"), Muar Andreans' Association, Kuala Lumpur ("MAA"), Old Lasallians' Association, Petaling Jaya ("OLSA"), Persatuan Alumni St. Anthony, Teluk Intan ("PAsA")

For the year 2017, the MFOLSA held its activities/meetings on the following dates and places.

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Event</u> | <u>Place</u> |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|
| 3 rd January | Meeting | FSA Club, Malacca. |
| 18 th February | BoG Workshop | St Joseph International School, PJ |
| 11 th March | Meeting | La Salle Provincilate, Petaling Jaya |
| 18 th April | Meeting (Inter La Salle Games) | La Salle Provincilate, Petaling Jaya |
| 6 th May | Meeting | La Salle Provincilate, Petaling Jaya |
| 20 th -21 st May | La Salle Brothers/Lasallian Leaders Conference at U. Nottingham, Semenyih | |
| 22 nd July | Meeting | La Salle Provincilate, Petaling Jaya |
| 3 rd September | MFOLSA AGM | La Salle Provincilate, Petaling Jaya |
| 12 th November | Meeting | OXA, Penang |
| 16 th December | Meeting with His Grace Archbishop, Julian Leow at Cardijn House, K.L. Theme: "Project revival of La Sallian Heritage". | |

5. Obituary

Our sincere condolences to the families of the following ex Paulians who passed away:

- Wong Tang Tat
- Richard Fong Kim Shung
- Henry Yap
- Kong Kim Siow

Our sincere condolences also go to:

- Yam Kiat Wah on the demise of his beloved mother.
- Dr Chin Woon Hee on the demise of his beloved father (Former SPI teacher, Mr Chin Kong Foo).

Important Announcement

If your child has performed well in SPM (Minimum 7As) and STPM (Minimum 3A), please submit your application for the OPA's Scholastic Awards to the Association. The application form can be downloaded from The Association's website, <http://paulians.my>. Closing date 31st May 2018.