

MINUTES OF THE AGM HELD ON 28TH JANUARY 2024

FOR THE FY 2022-2023

The meeting began with the lighting of the lamp by our school Principal and SSESa President Sr. Arockia, SSHS Manager Fr. Luke Rodrigues, MC members and SSESa members present at the AGM. After singing of the school anthem all members present introduced themselves and the meeting began as per schedule.

Mrs. Perviz Motafram began the meeting by thanking all members present for their participation at the AGM after having virtual AGMs for two years. Perviz went on to thank Manager Fr. Luke Rodrigues the incoming SSHS Manager also an alumnus from the Class of 1980 for his participation at the AGM. Perviz thanked Sr. Arockia for her support towards all SSESa endeavors and assured Sr. Arockia of support offered by the alumni for all school initiatives. Perviz then requested Sr. Arockia to speak a few words to the alumni present.

Sr. Arockia welcomed the SSESa members and thanked them for their presence at the AGM. She first and foremost thanked all ex-students for their support towards the 160 years celebration and the mega musical show Superstan the Musical presented by the school to commemorate the 160 years jubilee. The Musical was a true inspiration to all present and past students as it celebrated the rich legacy and heritage of our school.

Sr. Arockia went ahead to inform the alumni present that the school teachers as well as the students had faced great challenges during the Covid period but with the hard work and dedication of our school teachers SSHS secured 100% SSC results. Sr. Arockia mentioned that the SSCP program which was run by the school was a great success and the children benefitted greatly by it. The program was based on education equivalent to IB Board.

Sr. Arockia thanked all alumni of SSHS for supporting the Teachers Healthcare initiative. She mentioned that the ex - teachers and current teachers were being covered under medical healthcare insurance only because of the generosity of the ex-students. This initiative has completed 17 successful years and has been a boon to all current and past staff members of the school.

Mr. Bryce D'silva inquired why the current teachers were given the benefit of teachers' health care. Mr. Sachin Kilpady clarified that the Insurance companies were not willing to insure only retired teachers who are in the risky

age group unless the current serving teachers who belong to the younger age group were also insured to dilute the risk and thus reduce the premium which otherwise would be extremely high.

Sr. Arockia spoke about the Career Guidance Program conducted by Prafula Counselling Centre had benefitted the Std X students in making the right career choices guiding students regarding different career options available. Mr. Aloysius Rego inquired whether Std X students have been evaluated through Aptitude Tests. Sr. Arockia replied saying the Government conducted aptitude testing for all Std X students and furnished the Aptitude test reports but if the students wanted they could opt for aptitude testing at private career counselling centers too.

Sr. Arockia mentioned that in sports our boys always ranked first. Boys were coached for football and hockey with great passion by coaches like Hycinth Cardoz and Marcellus Gomes. She mentioned that the SSHS under 10 football team would play in the league. Mr. Bryce inquired why the Under 10 football team was not playing for the MSSA knockout tournament. Sr. Arockia clarified that football coaches had advised that it was not necessary to enter the knock out tournament. Sr. Arockia mentioned there were expenses to be considered wrt transport and also that the team did not need to play in the knock out tournament and it was more than sufficient for the team to play in the league as advised by the football coaches.

Mrs. Perviz Motafram then requested Fr. Luke to speak a few words.

Fr. Luke addressed the SSES members present speaking of a need to enroll more students into SSES. He mentioned that there was a need to get more alumni involved to initiate and execute large programs.

Fr. Luke appealed to all SSES members and alumni of SSHS to participate in the JAAI West Zone Meetings. He mentioned that Gerry Mascarenhas of SSES was the contact person for any information about JAAI as also John Neelankavil alumni of Holy Family school. Ilidio mentioned that if any JAAI meeting is held in Mumbai, although SSES would play the lead role, it is the joint effort of all Jesuit institutions to organize the event. For instance, in the past some functions were held at St Xaviers College.

Perviz thanked Fr. Luke for his inputs and requested SSES President Sr. Arockia to call the meeting to order to transact the business as per Agenda. The following are the proceedings as per Agenda:

1. Point one of the Agenda: To read and confirm the Minutes of the 34th Annual General Meeting held via zoom on Sunday 16th Oct 2022.

The Minutes were uploaded on SSESa website and emailed to SSESa members whose email addresses were available. As no queries were received for the above Minutes it was taken that the Minutes as read by the General Body.

1. Proposed By: Mr. Terence De Souza
2. Seconded By : Mr. Shreesh Nadgouda

A 2. Point two of the agenda: To receive and adopt the consolidated Managing Committee Report for the year ended 31st March 2022 and 31st March 2023 respectively.

The MC Report was uploaded on the SSESa website and emailed to SSESa members whose email addresses were available. As there were no queries raised the report was adopted by the General Body.

1. Proposed By: Mr. Nandish Shah
2. Seconded By: Mr. Madan Desai

A 3: To receive and adopt the Audited Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account, Receipts and Payments Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2022.

The Audit Report has been uploaded on the website and emailed to SSESa members whose email addresses were available. No queries have been received for the same. Ilidio pointed out that as was the practice in the past, the interest accrued on the Teachers Healthcare Fund should be directly credited to the Teachers Healthcare Fund and not merged with general FD interest considering that the fund is the donation contributed by members specifically for the Teachers

Healthcare Fund. He requested the MC to review this aspect possibly with the Auditor for the future accounting of the said fund.

We take the report as accepted by the General Body.

1. Proposed By : Mr. Ilidio Borges
2. Seconded By : Mr. Allan Noronha

A 4: To receive and adopt the Audited Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account, Receipts and Payment Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023.

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1. Proposed By : Mr. Sachin Kilpady
2. Seconded By : Mr. Pushpraj Nadar

A 5: To consider any other business that may be brought forward with the permission of the Chair and of which Notice has been given in writing to the Honorary Secretary latest by 22nd January 2024.

No queries were received for the same.

Perviz thanked the SSESa members present for their help, co-operation, dedication and support towards all our school and SSESa endeavors. We hope for your continual support in carrying the legacy of St Stanislaus High School forward with every Stanislite both past and present living the Motto “Born for Greater Things”.

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Interaction after the meeting ended:

Sr. Arockia requested SSESa members and the MC present to hold a fund raiser for school initiatives. She mentioned that the Stan Fair organized by the school last year was a success and many ex-

students attended the same. Mr. Madan Desai mentioned that batches till 2005 were active and post 2005 needed to be got on board. Mr. Illidio Borges said that membership forms for SSESa enrollment should be given at the SSC Farwell function, awareness should be created amongst students to be a part of SSESa. The SSESa website has provision for online membership application to SSESa or alternatively downloading of membership application form.

Mr. Pushpraj Nadar appreciated efforts of the MC members Mr. Nitesh Kapadia and Mr. Shreesh Nadgouda in setting a new benchmark for the BOB 2023. He said the event held on 4th Feb.2023 was a huge success.

He requested a two-minute silence for the sad demise of Ex –Teacher Alice as well as all ex-teachers and ex-students who had passed away in the past few years. Members present maintained a two-minute silence as a mark of respect to the departed.

The meeting ended with a happy note and Sr. Arockia once again thanked all present for their participation and presence at the AGM.