

CHRIST'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

18 FEBRUARY 2022, 4.30PM

Zoom meeting – Christ's College Board Room



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1.0 WELCOME

The President welcomed and thanked members of the Association and invited guests for their attendance at the AGM. Talked about the first Zoom AGM meeting because of the Covid-19 pandemic. The President also passed on Angus Dysart-Paul's apology for being absent.

2.0 APOLOGIES

The Secretary advised the meeting that she had received apologies from:

Tim de Castro, Paul Ellis, Brian Stokes and Bill Knight

3.0 IN MEMORIAM

The President asked those in attendance to stand for a moment's silence in memory of Old Boys of Christ's College who had died during the past year.

4.0 EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mr Garth Wynne thanked the President for the invitation to speak at the AGM. He spoke about the last 12 months at College, as well as the school's future:

- In 2021, College boys achieved 53 NZQA scholarships
- Roll is at the highest it has ever been – 699 boys
- Sport – We are hoping for a three-peat in the Rugby College vs CBHS at the end of May. Four of the major codes made finals – Rugby, Basketball, Hockey and Football
- Maadi Cup – Hoping this will go ahead in 2022 but unsure because of Covid-19
- Updated everyone on the cultural and academic aspects of the school
- Spoke about the new College Diploma, explained it was a little like the Duke of Edinburgh programme
- Upper West – Due to start April this year and hopefully finish 2023, will need to put in a bridge from Hagley Park.
- Royal Commission of Inquiry, thanked Hugh Lindo
- The Executive Principal concluded by acknowledging the CCOBA Committee and thanked the President for his leadership and support to the school. He also thanked the Alumni Manager for her support and engagement with the College community. Association in good hands.

5.0 MINUTES

MOTION: That the minutes from the 2021 Christ's College Old Boys' Association Annual General Meeting be taken as read and accepted as true and accurate. **Richard Polson/Blue Henderson. CARRIED**

6.0 MATTERS ARISING

No matters arose.

7.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A written report had been circulated among members present. The President spoke to the AGM, and noted:

Overview

Challenging year, especially for overseas Old Boys.

Great to see College competing at a high level across many sports.

Old Boy Events

Over the last year, we have had to adapt and change events because of Covid-19 restrictions but the events we have held have been very successful and in high demand. We are mindful that our overseas and Auckland Old Boys have not been able to join us for these events.

The Red setting has impacted on our ability to safely comply with the regulations and host events and, unfortunately, we have had to postpone many community activities.

This AGM is usually the first event of the Reunion weekend celebrations, but this year we have, regrettably, had to defer to February 2023. This will mean that the 2023 Reunion weekend will be one of the biggest ever as we combine year groups and bring together Old Boys in significant numbers.

Board Appointment

Following the departure of Catherine McMillan after her four-year term, we appointed Mark Cox.

Senior Honours Ties

Last year we recognised two distinguished Old Boys:

1. Sir Michael Fowler, now 91, and living in Wellington, was honoured as an architect, artist, politician and leader
2. Dr Vaughan Smith, from Silicon Valley, California, was honoured as an entrepreneur, CEO, and former Vice President at Facebook.

Old Boys as role models

We now have 15 Old Boys' posters hanging around College and, originally planned to be released at the Cocktail event, we have 10 more Old Boys posters which will be put up around the school.

10 Houses Gin

We are excited to release our own 10 Houses Gin. Many thanks to Old Boy Nick Harvey (11731) and the wonderful team at Strategy for the stunning design work and their support of this exciting project. It's handcrafted in Christchurch in attractive 700ml bottles, and its branding is steeped in College tradition from the school's 1877 origins.

The gin is available from The Spirits Workshop website and the link is in the latest *Quadrangle*.

Finance

Thanks to the oversight of CCOBA treasurer Mac Bolderston, we are running the finances well. Johnny Cochrane and his team at Jarden continue to provide sound investment advice and with healthy returns even in these challenging times.

CCOBA Committee

The CCOBA committee – Angus Dysart-Paul (Vice President), Mac Bolderston (Treasurer), Will Vink, Jono Blyth, Andrew Henderson and Nigel Taylor – has worked well together and we continue to build on the work done before us. I thank them for their support and for donating their time to the CCOBA. Will Vink welcomed an addition to his family last year and is stepping down from the Committee. Thank you will for all your help. Thanks also go to College Board Members Tim Kerr and Mark Cox who keep us updated on Board matters.

MOTION: That the President's report be accepted: **Richard Polson/Blue Henderson. CARRIED**

8.0 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Treasurer spoke to the meeting. Financial statements were made available to those in attendance. He noted:

Statement of Service Performance (page 4)

- Because the CCOBA is a Registered Charity, we need a statement of service performance. This is where we measure ourselves against financial and non-financial KPIs we set ourselves at the start of every year.
- We took the opportunity this year to update these KPIs to better reflect the Association's operating environment and financial position – on the whole, increasing the scholarship and number of event targets.

Profit and Loss

- A great year for the Association, making a surplus of \$232k compared with last year \$137k.
- This is mainly attributable to the performance of the portfolio run by Jarden, which returned \$391k or 12% after fees.
- Operationally, net cost of providing CCOBA events (reunions, functions) was \$25k, compared with \$13k in the prior year.

Balance Sheet

- Remains in a strong position, with Total Accumulated Funds increasing to \$3.3m – \$3.2m of which is the investment portfolio.

MOTION: That the statement of accounts and the financial reports be accepted as read and adopted. **Mac Bolderson/Blue Henderson. CARRIED**

MOTION: That PWC be appointed independent reviewer of the Association's financial accounts for the current financial year. **Mac Bolderson/Richard Polson. CARRIED**

9.0 ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

There being only one person nominated and seconded for the position of President of the Christ's College Old Boys' Association, Angus Dysart-Paul (14434) was elected as President.

There being only one person nominated and seconded for the position of Vice President of the Christ's College Old Boys' Association, the President declared Andrew Henderson (9710) duly elected Vice President.

There being only one person nominated and seconded for the position of Treasurer of the Christ's College Old Boys' Association, the President declared Mac Bolderston (13962) duly elected.

There being only five seconded nominations: Richard Polson (11785), Jono Blyth (12002), Michael Fisher (11877), Nigel Taylor (7235), Tim Daley (13242) were declared duly elected to the General Committee of the Christ's College Old Boys' Association by the President.

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

No matters of general business were raised.

The President declared the meeting closed at 5.08pm.

Signed as a true and correct record.

President:

This 18th day of February 2022