



Minutes of the 130th Annual General Meeting
of the Old Caterhamians Association
held on Monday 1 March 2021
at 7pm via Zoom
Chaired by: Clive Furness

PRESENT

OCA Committee Members

Colin Bagnall (Archivist, OC 1949-1955)
Bill Broadhead (Sports Club Rep, OC 1953-1960)
Greg Dunne (OC 2000-2005)
Clive Furness (President, OC 1971-1978)
Emma Gooden (OC 2002-2007)
Mark Mear (Vice President, OC 1976-1985)
Seb Raaf (OC 2001-2008)
David Rogers (Honorary Member, Staff 1969-2006)
Karin Schulte (Vice President, OE 1974-1987)
Paul Sharp (Treasurer, OC 1963-1972)

OCA Members

John Mathias (OC 1945-1955)
Stephen May (OC 1971-1976)
Don Mear (OC 1948-1955)
Jay Pearson (OC 1966-1973)

Representatives of the School

Emma Collings (Development Manager)
Annie Hebden (Alumni Officer)
Ceri Jones (Headmaster)

Apologies for absence

Roy Elliott (OC 1944-1949)

The AGM was held via Zoom due to the national lockdown during the Covid pandemic.

Clive Furness gave a roll call of deceased members (attached to these minutes).

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF LAST AGM

No matters arose from the minutes of the last AGM, and minutes were accepted as a true record; proposed by Paul Sharp and seconded by Karin Schulte.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Full report is attached to these minutes. No questions were asked.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Income at £67,998 is similar to previous years, which is generated from current pupil subscriptions and and approximate £2,500 from pre-1989 OC members, the latter being a group which is diminishing. Sales is from the occasional sale of OC merchandise, none of which were completed in 2020.

Expenditure at £88,531 was £7,246 lower than in 2019 largely due to the reduced physical events programme during the pandemic. The surplus continues to be reduced.

Stephen May asked whether the five year pledge to the Transformational Bursary from historic OCA funds was prudent as it reduced available funds by a considerable margin. Stephen May asked

whether the OCA Constitution should be reviewed to include a clause whereby funds over a certain threshold must be approved at AGMs.

Clive Furness explained that the funds were being drawn down to leave approximately a year's expenditure in the bank. This level of resource was chosen as it is an acceptable level under the Charities Commission for a charity to run at. Although the OCA is not a registered charity, it was felt that the Charity Commission guidance should be followed.

It was noted that this pledge was entirely transparent and was discussed and included in the Treasurer's Report for the AGM in 2020 at which Stephen May was present.

Paul Sharp advised that the independent examiner as yet has been unable to approve the accounts for 2020, and will do so when government restrictions are lifted post lockdown.

The adoption of the accounts, subject to any amendments made by the independent examiner was proposed by Clive Furness and seconded by Greg Dunne.

Paul Sharp proposed donations for 2021 which were similar to 2020 donations.

Full Treasurer's report and copy of the accounts for 2020 are attached to these minutes.

HEADMASTER'S REPORT

Full report is attached to these minutes. No questions were asked.

ARCHIVIST'S REPORT

Full report is attached to these minutes. No questions were asked.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE OFFICERS

Nominations for Members of the OCA Committee received from the following Old Caterhamians and Old Eothens, all were approved unanimously by those in attendance of the AGM:

Greg Dunne (OC 2000-2005) nominated for the post of: Committee Member
Proposer: Paul Sharp
Secunder: Stephen May

Sebastian Raaf (OC 2002-2207) nominated for the post of: Committee Member
Proposer: Colin Bagnall
Secunder: Karin Schulte

Emma Gooden (OC 2002-2007) nominated for the post of: Committee Member
Proposer: Clive Furness
Secunder: Stephen May

Clive Furness reminded all that the Committee welcomes new members, and there is lots to be done so to please encourage fellow Old Caterhamians to get involved.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

No further matters were raised.

Date of the next AGM to be agreed in due course.

Clive Furness thanked all those present for attending.

Meeting closed 19:50.

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS TO THESE MINUTES:

- Approved Minutes of the 129th AGM
- President's Report
- Treasurer's Report and Accounts for 2020
- Headmaster's Report
- Archivist's Report
- Roll Call of Deceased Members