



Minutes of the 131st Annual General Meeting

of the Old Caterhamians Association

held on Thursday 5 May 2022

at 6.30pm at Caterham School (with an option to join 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)
Benjamin Horne (OC 2001-2009)
David Kinnear (Vice President, OC 1978-1985)
Rhia Patel (OC 2011-2016)
Seb Raaff (OC 2001-2008)
David Rogers (Honorary Member, Staff 1969-2006)
Paul Sharp (Treasurer, OC 1963-1972)

Representatives of the School

Emma Collings (Development Director)
Hannah Graydon (External Relations Director)
Annie Hebden (Alumni Officer)
Ceri Jones (Headmaster)

OCA Members

Adam Avery (OC 1976-1984)
John-Marc Bany (OC 1988-1992)
Alan Kirby (OC 1956-1965)
Zeynep Koymen (OC 1983-1985)
John Mathias (OC 1945-1955)
Malcolm Millard (OC 1946-1957)
James Peacock (OC 1978-1986)
Karin Schulte (OE 1974-1987)
Mary Whenman (OC 1985-1987)

Guests/Non OCA Members

Becky Wells

Apologies for absence

Roy Elliott (OC 1944-1949)
Mark Mear (OC 1976-1985)

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.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Malcolm Millard asked if the OCA supported schools overseas. Ceri Jones advised that schools overseas are supported by the School directly, rather than the OCA. For example the longstanding support Caterham School has given our partnership school in Lerang'wa, Tanzania.

Paul Sharp proposed donations for 2022 which were similar to 2021 donations.

Full Treasurer's report and copy of the signed accounts for 2021 are attached to these minutes.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE OFFICERS

The OCA Vice-President Karin Schulte and Committee Member Emma Gooden both stood down this year. Clive Furness thanked them for their invaluable support.

As there were less nominations this year than Committee positions that were available, all nominees were appointed.

Clive Furness was nominated as President for one more year in order to ensure a smooth handover to the Vice-President who is new to the Committee.

David Kinnear (OC 1985-1988) was nominated for the post of Vice-President.

Benjamin Horne (OC 2002-209) and Rhia Patel (OC 2011-2016) were both nominated as Committee Members.

OCA CONSTITUTION REVIEW

Clive Furness thanked the OCA Committee for all their input regarding the review which was a time-consuming and robust process. He explained that the OCA had felt compelled to amend the constitution as it had been an unincorporated corporation which had left the Committee and the Association open to certain risks. He thanked the School in their support with information for the process. Clive Furness ran through the key changes in the revised constitution. It was emphasised that although, going forward, the OCA bank account will be run by the School, it will be a restricted fund solely for the OCA, and the OCA Treasurer will oversee this fund.

The reviewed constitution was approved unanimously by those in attendance of the AGM, the motion was carried and the new constitution will be in place as of immediate effect with regards to governance. As the School auditors will audit the accounts going forward, the audit will fall in line with the School financial year starting in September.

ARCHIVIST'S REPORT

Full report is attached to these minutes.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Ceri Jones updated on the recent successes of the School.

No further matters were raised.

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

Clive Furness thanked all those present for attending and gave an update on a very successful year for the OCA.

Meeting closed 19:30

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS TO THESE MINUTES:

- Approved Minutes of the 130th AGM
- Treasurer's Report and Signed Accounts for 2021
- Approved OCA Constitution
- Archivist's Report
- Roll Call of Deceased Members