

Rosyth School Alumni Association

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2021 of Rosyth School Alumni Association (RSAA) held on Saturday, **27th November 2021 at 3.00pm**; via Zoom (Virtual Meeting Platform)

Present

Management Committee 2021/2022

President	-	Dr Tan Sok Chuen
Vice President	-	Ms Foo Kai Lin
Vice President	-	Dr Fong Chern Ying, Chrystal
Events Officer	-	Ms Tan Huamin Eunice
Secretary	-	Mr Hu Jin Jie
Assistant Secretary	-	Ms Li Qui Yang, Apple
Treasurer	-	Ms Yap Tianyin Tracy
Assistant Treasurer	-	Mr Lim Sze Thong Gary
Internal Auditor	-	Ms Kong Xin Yi Michelle
Internal Auditor	-	Mr Hardeep Singh
Legal Advisor		Mohan Das s/o Vijayaratnam
Liaison Officer	-	Ms Leaw Wan Bee Janet
Liaison Officer	-	Ms Leaw Wan Lay Wendy
IT Specialist	-	Mr Lian Weijie Anurax
Committee Member	-	Mr Tan Boon Heon
Committee Member	-	Mr Ng Wei Chean, Ivan
Committee Member	-	Ms Jasmin Kaur Sandhu
Committee Member	-	Ms Shu Wanyi
Committee Member	-	Ms Tan Shin Ee
Committee Member	-	Mr Leow Yock Keng
Committee Member	-	Mr Chang Shian Wei
Committee Member	-	Mr Ng Qi Jason
Committee Member	-	Mr Leow Chun Wen Shawn
Committee Member	-	Ms Long Shing Yuan June
In attendance		
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Mdm Elis Tan	-	Principal, Rosyth School

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Mr Chiew Jing Wen	-	Vice Principal, Rosyth School

Life Members

Lee Choon Meng Alvin	20201201174
Ang Kok Keong	20190500868

Lian Weijie Anurax	20130600256
Li Qiuyang Apple	20131000296
Yeo Ai Hwee Beatrice	20190400859
Boo Chee How	20180300681
Tan Zhi Wei Channon	20210501272
Chrystal Fong Chern Ying	20171200658
Daniel Leow Cheng Jie	20150800427
Daren Neo Eng Choon	20181200807
Choy Yong Yi, Desmond	20191200967
Eunice Koh Kwee Liang	20210301227
Foo Kai Lin	20130700271
Geh Siwei	20170100550
Gur-sharan Kour Sidhu	20180900779
Ong Hai Tien	20150400392
Ho Kai Wei	20120700208
Hu Jin Jie	20150600401
Leaw Wan Bee Janet	20090100089
Jasmin Kaur	20170200557
Jason Ng Qi	20171100649
Lim Yew Kia Jeffrey	20150100370
Jeremy Chia Kiang Teng	20210801319
Thong Weien Joel	20190800915
Koh Kok Liang John	20151100449
Xin Qianhui Karen	20210201220
Choo Tsu Wei Kenny	20200801117
Ng Kah Meng	20200701085
Ong Kok Yong	20111000170
Mehervan Singh	20170600602
Melody Tham Yi Mei	20190900926
Kong Xin Yi Michelle	20150100362
Tan Yi Jie Nikki	20210501275
Ong Pei Suen	20190100823
Quek Li Jun	20200701063

Sharon Harvinder Kaur Dhillon	20210801321
Leow Chun Wen Shawn	20180700758
Shiman Woon	20210101202
Shu Wanyi	20190600877
Soh Haw Yan (Kexin)	20200701077
Tan Boon Heon	20180800773
Tan Sok Chuen	20150700421
Tan Weiyuan	20190600875
Yap Tianyin Tracy	20121000226
Xin Weiren Wilson	20190600872
Wong Wen Hao	20210101198
Zeng Shiying	20190100824

Quorum

The Annual General Meeting was declared open by the President at 3.15pm upon satisfying the quorum which was deemed in accordance with Article 7.9 of the Constitution.

Address by the President of RSAA - Dr Tan

Dr Tan Sok Chuen opened the Annual General Meeting (AGM) with thanks to the members attending the event. She introduced the school leaders, Madam Elis Tan, Principal of Rosyth School and Mr Chiew Jing Wen, Vice Principal of Rosyth School, who will be presenting school events and matters during the first half of the meeting.

Address by the Principal – Madam Elis Tan

Madam Tan thanked the RSAA for inviting her to this meeting and ready partnership in 2021. She mentioned despite another extraordinary year with COVID-19 still looming over us, drawing on the school's I-Care values, the students, staff and stakeholders managed to go through another year with grit, care and love for one another. She was happy to keep us update on the achievements of Rosyth's recipients in both academic and non-academic spheres. She then handed over the time to Mr Chiew to provide some of the school updates for 2021.

Address by the Vice Principal - Mr Chew Jing Wen

Mr Chiew echoed Madam Tan's views that the school is very appreciative of the support and whole-hearted partnership by RSAA. Although it was a challenging year, the school was able to ensure rich and meaningful learnings for all our Rosythians. He trusts that he can always rely on RSAA to continue to lift up the school's motto Ready to Serve.

Before delving into the school updates for 2021, Mr Chiew took the opportunity to announce that Mr Loh Yuh Por, Vice Principal of Administration, will be leaving at the end of the year. He will be taking on the post of Vice Principal of Administration in Raffles Girls' Primary School as his next post. The school gave its thanks to Mr Loh for his presence and close working relationship with the RSAA for the past 6 years. Mr Chiew then touched on how our 3 key visions have been executed in the events for 2021.

Leading with Vision – It has been a challenging year for students, adapting to face to face learning then blended learning on Home Based Learning and then moving back to school. Thus, there has been more focus on the social interactions, peer support and relationships to foster a culture of care this year. This is done by empowering students to have holistic well-being by having personal visions and positive actions for learning and growth, so they can learn how to take care of themselves and others. The school has embarked on a Mental Health and Awareness campaign in a bid to nurture Healthy Minds and Healthy Hearts, encouraging students to enjoy the process rather than pursue the end at all costs. The school has seen a positive response from this campaign with more students coming forward to seek help as compared to the past.

Learning with Passion – In spite of the pandemic, the students continued to pursue their passion with their best efforts. The school not only won the Senior Division Boys and Girls Championships, but also took home different levels of accolades in Taekwondo and Wu Shu at the National School Games. In the 72nd National Schools Individual Chess Championships 2021, the students clinched 6 Zonal Awards and 5 National Level placings. The debate team emerged as Co-Champions in the Wits & Words Inter-School Debate Championship 2021 and the school also achieve First Runner-up for this year's Pei Hwa Virtual Hackathon. For the teachers, they were role models in leading passion in innovation by clinching two Bronze Awards, one for Imagine! Maker Education Rosyth and another for the Rosyth Fitness Warrior Challenge. The innovation department also won the Gold Award for the 2021 MOE Innergy Awards.

Serving with Compassion – Working with the Seng Kang General Hospital, the P5 Values-In-Action programme showed appreciation by sending in gifts for the nurses and healthcare workers. Mr Chiew gave thanks to the RSAA for the gifts and supplies for this initiative, as well as the volunteers to pack these donations. The school continued the Care Carnival where the P6 took ownership of of the programme by selecting the beneficiaries and create the crafts to raise funds for the donations. The Media Club also did the school proud by coming in first for the Lions Home School Video Competition 2021.

Nurturing Rosythians Together – For the Children's Day e-Celebration, the school promoted an active lifestyle together with RSAA by providing skipping roles as gifts. Mr

Chiew also expressed his appreciation for RSAA's efforts in giving them Teachers' Day goodie bags that reminded them of the yesteryears.

Mr Chiew gave his thanks for RSAA's support for the constant nurturing of students throughout their years of learning in Rosyth School. He appreciated Mr Chang Shian Wei, an RSAA member, for volunteering to be an Education and Character Award (ECHA) interview panellist, helping to interview students who are I-Care role models to be put up for the ECHA.

Change to P1 Registration Framework

Starting from 2023, MOE will increase the number places in Phase 2C, allowing students staying in the vicinity of the school to have a higher chance to be able to benefit from the school's education. It also means that Phase 2A1 and 2A2 will be combined into a single 2A phase and with that it allows the school to have the opportunity to enhance its impact to the immediate community around the school.

Preparing P1 Rosythians in 2022

Mr Chiew also addressed how the school will welcome the 2022 P1 Rosythians next year. The school has rolled out a programme to ensure both parents' and students' smooth transition to primary school amidst the new normal. These include:

- E-Orientiation Portal
- Video Conferencing ("Meet My P1 Teachers")
- Guided Recess Experience
- 'Day 1 Moments' Captured in Photographs

He hoped that the P1 students' new and existing parents can have confidence in the school's teachers in making the transition well together for their children.

Upcoming Key Events

The Vice-Principal then went on to update attendees on 2022 events, some of which are dependent on how the COVID-19 situation evolves and hope to continue in partnership with the RSAA. These include:

- First Day for Incoming P1s in January
- Speech and Prize Giving Day in March
- Teachers' Day Appreciation in September
- Children's Day Experience
- P6 Graduation Ceremony

Questions from attendees

Madam Tan then opened the floor for any questions at the end of the school update. There was a question from How Boo Chee regarding how the decision making from MOE should Phase 2A be over-subscribed. Madam Tan addressed that should this situation happen, MOE would look back on first, citizenship and then distance from the school, working from within 1KM, to allocate the places to the applicants. A ballot will have to happen should the number the applicants with the 1KM criteria exceeds the allocated slots for Phase 2A.

Madam Tan answered a question by another attendee, where she asked if parents should not apply for Phase 2A if the student lives beyond the 1KM distance of the school since chances are low. Madam Tan mentioned that students living beyond 1KM of the school may still stand a chance to be allocated a place, but agreed that by past statistics and trends, the probability is low. She emphasized that there is still value in parent volunteers, in the areas that school needs help and support in and are kept in Phase 2B and 2C.

Madam Tan and Mr Chiew then thanked the RSAA for their constant support and partnership and took their leave after sending their well wishes to the attendees.

Address by the Alumni President – Dr Tan Sok Chuen

Dr Tan started her address with quick introduction of the current 2019/2020 office bearers as well as the social and networking events that were held prior to the pandemic. She looked forward to more opportunities this year as the situation improves.

Confirmation of Minutes of Last AGM

Dr Tan proceeded to showcase the meeting minutes of the last AGM held in 2020. The motion was supported by Mr Lian Weijie Anurax and seconded by Ms Leaw Wan Bee Janet.

Treasurer's Report for Financial Year

Due to technical difficulties, Ms Yap Tianyin Tracy was unable to share the expenditures and fees collected in regard to the RSAA fund. However, it was shown on slides that below are the notable expenditures for the year ending 31st December 2019

- Teachers' Day gifts
- Children's Day event
- RSAA Awards
- Graduation Gifts for P6

The motion was supported by Mr Hu Jin Jie and seconded by Mr Daniel Leow Cheng Jie.

Address by the Alumni Vice President - Ms Foo Kai Lin

Ms Foo Kai Lin, the Vice President of RSAA, explained the background and criteria of the annual Service Award and RSAA Colours Award awards to the attendees. For both awards, the RSAA supports in providing the cost of the plaque and gift voucher.

- RSAA Colours Awards An award that recognises students' holistic development
- RSAA Service Awards Awarded to ex-Rosythdians who continue to help out after graduating from Rosyth School.

Address by the Alumni Vice President - Dr Crystal Fong

Dr Fong then went through our contributions and participations for major school events in 2021. These include:

- Teachers' Day Packing of goodie bags for teachers and staff members
- Graduation Day Graduation school bear with class photo insert

Dr Tan also went on to elaborate that the committee has been involved in the Rosyth School e-Speech and Prize Giving Ceremony as well as the engagement session with MOE on the review of P1 registration framework.

Membership Updates and P1 Enrolment

In her final address, Dr Tan presented the membership sign ups trend over the past year has been dropping drastically and with the changes in the Primary One registration framework, this is downturn is expected. However, she does hope to create more networking opportunities for the alumni members to get together. She appeals to the attendees that we welcome any ideas for networking or activities that may benefit the current Rosythdians, and to share them with the RSAA committee via email.

For P1 enrolment, she reminded the attendees that it is important to check on the latest updates from MOE's website as registration requirements change every now and then. Registration dates for 2022 P1 Enrolment exercise will be updated by May 2022.

Any Other Business

As no other matters were raised, the meeting ended at 4.18pm.

Hu Jin Jie Secretary Rosyth School Alumni Association Management Committee 2021/2022