St. Joseph's High School Old Students' Association

Minutes of the Statutory Quarterly General Meeting held on Tuesday December 14, 2004 at St. Joseph High School, Woolford Avenue.

1. Attendance

Executive Members

Curtis Bernard – President

Wasim Khan – Vice President

Keane Glasgow – Recording Secretary

Shawnella Sampson – Corresponding Secretary

Ordinary Members

Fifteen (15) ordinary members were present at the meeting

2. Agenda

- 1. Prayers
- 2. Welcome and President's Remarks
- 3. Fund Raising Report
- 4. School's Report
- 5. Public Relations Report
- 6. Education Delivery Enhancement Committee Report
- 7. Financial Report
- 8. Any Other Business

3. Proceedings

- The meeting commenced at 17:45hrs.

3.1 Prayers

- Mr. Wasim Khan said prayers to open the meeting.

3.2 Welcome and President's Remarks

- The Vice-President welcomed all those present, especially the new members the recent graduates. They in turn introduced themselves.
- The President, also, welcomed everyone.
- The Minutes of the previous meeting were found without error.

3.3 Fund Raising Report

- The Fund Raising Report was presented by the Vice President.
- He informed the meeting that the last fund raiser was a Games Night, held on December 10, 2004. There were approximately 150 persons in attendance and a profit of \$29,740 was made. Questions were asked by members and they were answered.
- Upcoming activities are a Bar-B-Que, Fish Fry & Lime planned for January 22, 2005 at the school; A Talent Show planned for early March.
- It is hoped that we will have the participation of both present and past students in categories such as Dramatic Poetry, Song, Dance and Fashion Display among others.
- We hope to collect the \$350,000 promised to us by Demerara Distillers Limited (DDL).
- Mr. Quacy Williams has proposed the holding of a Disco Night. Details for this activity will be forwarded to everyone.

3.4 School's Report

- The Corresponding Secretary presented the School's Report.
- She informed the meeting that Mrs. Fung reported at graduation that 100% of the students graduated this year with 90% passes in at least 5 subjects with Grades 1-3.
- The school excelled with extra-curricular activities particularly cricket and poetry.
- There is a Steel Orchestra at the school.

3.5 Public Relations Report

- The Public Relations Report was also presented by the Corresponding Secretary.

- She informed the meeting that there is no newsletter to end the year. It is however, hoped to have one early in the new year.
- The website has been updated and all information about the Association can be found there.
- There was an official handing over of the Food & Nutrition Lab. The Media was present.
- Members were again asked to join the Committee. No one, however, volunteered.

3.6 The Education Delivery Enhancement Report

- This report was presented by the President.
- He informed the meeting that we are awaiting word from DDL, as we hope to get the \$350,000 they promised us, early next year so as to get the Computer Lab started.
- Some computers have already been bought and the school is willing to use their money to help get the Lab started.
- The U.S. Chapter cannot make a major contribution as a chapter, but individual members might do so.
- One member asked questions about the Technical Drawing Lab and a new member of the Association answered them.
- The Association's goal is to refurbish all the labs upon the completion of the Information Technology Lab and this will be done in the order urgency of needs.

3.7 Financial Report

- The Financial Report was also presented by the President.
- He reported that the sum total of all Association's accounts closing balances at December 13, 2004 was \$81,299. (See Appendix 1 for details)
- Questions were asked and answered.

3.8 Any Other Business

- Discussions were held focusing on reasons for members not attending meetings and measures to remedy the situation.
- The next reunion will be held in Canada sometime around Caribana 2006.

- New members were asked to comment on the Association. Their responses were:
 - * need to find members
 - * continue to encourage the school to support
 - * everyone should bring/tell a friend when there is a meeting.
- Mr. Kirkpatrick volunteered to put an ad in the papers whenever there is a meeting.
- It was suggested to have the games night as a social activity at someone's residence with members bringing something instead of having them as fundraisers.
- New members were informed about dues and other information about the Association.
- They were placed on Committees as follows
 - * Shellon (Fund Raising)
 - * Mohamed, Justin & Deidre
- Problems with dues were sorted out.
- Next scheduled meeting is March 29, 2005.
- Once the Bar-B-Que is planned, members will be notified of a meeting before the meeting's scheduled date.

There being no other business the meeting ended at 19:07hrs.

Keane Glasgow

RECORDING SECRETARY

Appendix 1

St. Joseph High School Old Students' Association Financial Report

September 28 to December 13, 2004

Mr. Chairman, fellow executive members, members all a good evening to you. I wish to report on the financial aspects of our association's operation for the period September 28 to December 13, 2004.

Income

During the period being reported on the association received income from

Donations - \$ 13,600
Dues - \$ 14,800
Fund Raising – Games Night - \$ 74,380
Total Income - \$102,780

Expenditure

During the reporting period the association incurred the following expenses

Fund Raising

Games Night	- <u>\$57,640</u>
Sub-Total	- <u>\$57,640</u>

Others

Supplies and services <i>Sub-Total</i>	- <u>\$ 2,033</u> - \$17,930
	- \$ 2,055
Graduation Prizes	- \$15,000
Bank Charges	- \$ 875

Total Expenses - <u>\$75,570</u>

Profit and Loss

During the period the association recorded a surplus of \$27,210

Account Balances

The Following are the account balances closing at the end of the period.

	Mar. 30, 2004	Jul. 05, 2004	Sep. 27, 2004	Dec. 13, 2004
GBTI Chequing	\$139,087	\$174,647	\$34,779	\$34,509
GBTI Savings	\$5,272	\$5,272	\$5,272	\$5,272
Refurbishing	\$4,772	\$4,772	\$4,772	\$4,772
Cash in Hand	\$13,440	\$2,415	\$9,266	\$36,746
TOTAL	\$162,571	\$187,106	\$54,089	\$81,299

Thank you.

Alana Beresford

Treasurer