



KANDY HIGH SCHOOL OLD GIRLS' ASSOCIATION (COLOMBO BRANCH)

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KHS OGA NEWSLETTER NO.1 – 2021/2022

Dear Friends,

It was such a pleasure to have met together physically after such a long time, at our Annual General Meeting for 2020/2021 which was held recently at 'Union Ballroom', Hilton Colombo Residences on 20th March, 2021 with the participation of 54 members. The event led to the appointment of the new Committee for 2021/2022 comprising the following:

Patron:	Ranjani Seneviratne
President:	Sylvia Wijekoon
Vice President:	Arienie Jayanetti
Immediate Past President:	Chitrangani Herat Gunaratne
Secretary:	Mayanthi Kulatunga Jayakody
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Committee:	Uditha Gunasekera Shanali Fernando Nandika Denipitiya Nilmini Ulluwishewa Anomi Fernando Imali Jayathilake Shirani Hettiarachchi Chula Ranasinghe Roshani Dharmaratne Dhanishka Wickramasekara

Resolutions:

One of the key highlights at this year's AGM was the presenting of 04 resolutions by the past committee, which were discussed in detail. 03 Resolutions received the sanction of the Members whilst the resolution below was passed in principal, reworded as appearing below, and deemed to be duly passed with the following new wording –

"14.5 At any time when the Committee is unable to meet its obligations under Articles 14 and/or 15, being so prevented due to health, safety or similar national crises, then it may meet such obligations through alternative means available to it."

The Principal, Mrs. Malkanthi Abeygunasekera was unable to travel to Colombo for the meeting, nor the executive committee members of the Kandy OGA. However, Mrs. Abeygunasekera, in her message to the Members read out at the meeting, expressed her deep gratitude for all the work that we do for the welfare of the School and that of the community, even in times of constraints. By her report it is evident that the successes of both education and extra-curricular activities of the school's student body continue in full strength.

It was regrettable that the attendee numbers had to be curtailed in line with health regulations and more of us were not able to meet. However, by all reports received, the AGM was a success, and even more so, the pleasure of seeing each other was tangible.

With that in mind and many members' request for some gathering, the new Committee optimistically plans to have the following events for the year and would like you to reserve these dates available on your diaries:

1. Annual Picnic – 5th June 2021
2. Annual Fund Raiser – 11th September 2021 (Raffle Draw to raise funds for the Junior School Computer laboratory)
3. Christmas Party – December 2021

The first being the **Annual Picnic**, kindly note the following details:

Venue: Club Waskaduwa

Date: Saturday 5th June, 2021

Rate: Rs.2,800/- (Members) / Rs.3,000/- (Non-Members)

Bus No. 01 starting from Nugegoda McDonald's at 8.30 a.m.

Bus No. 02 starting from The Lionel Wendt at 8.15 a.m.

Pick up on Galle Road – Family Super, Mount Lavinia (Opposite Lion Pub) at 9.00 am; Cargills Panadura at 9.45 am

Tickets will be confirmed on first come first served basis.

Light breakfast will be provided / kindly bring your own water

Leaving the venue by 5.00 p.m. the latest

Contact Persons – Hemanthi (0777715551) / Sylvia (0722433412) / Roshani (0773770759)

Deadline for confirmations: 15th May, 2021

In line with the call of our times, all health regulations will be followed as far as possible in all our activities. Use of the pool will therefore be prohibited. So we do hope that many of you will be able to join us as it has been quite a while since our last gathering.

Senior Membership Welfare

As mentioned at the AGM, we the new Committee, are pleased to present to our Senior Members (Life Members over 70), the criteria that has been agreed upon by the Committee for 2021/2022.

Sponsorship of Senior Members for one specific event

- 06 members – AGM
- 04 Members - Picnic
- 04 Members – Christmas Party

Medical Aid (once in 03 years)

Rs.5000/- – for 4 deserving Senior Members

- Spectacles
- Wheelchair
- Walking Aids
- Hearing Aids
- Crutches

Surgery -

Rs.10,000/- for 02 deserving Senior Members (Over 70 widowed) once in 03 years

If assistance is required for Medical Aid and Surgery, you will have to kindly present a copy of the relevant bills.

Once the request is made officially to the President, the committee will personally get in touch with the Member to get more information. A standard Form will be sent to the member to be filled and duly returned. It will be tabled and approved by the Committee.

We have a limited amount of funds to be disbursed, as the interest rate on the Fixed Deposit has been reduced drastically. Therefore all of the above will be on a first come first served basis. Senior members with financial difficulties will be given priority over others.

Further, the Committee will also make every effort to visit 02 or 03 senior members during the year.

Members' Directory

May we also remind you that our newly updated and comprehensive Members' Directory is printed and ready for purchase should you wish to pick up a copy at the subsidized price of Rs.250/- each. It now has 500 members' details and contains 02 indices by which you can easily locate members by first name or surname. You may contact any Committee member to place your order.

Please do also visit our website when time permits, where we share with you pictures and items of news about our school and of our pupils both past and present. Photos from the AGM are also posted for your viewing pleasure!

Best regards,



Mayanthi Kulatunga Jayakody
Hony. Secretary



Sylvia Wijekoon
Hony. President