

MINUTES OF THE 35TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE (CALCUTTA)
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HELD ON SATURDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER, 2021 AT 5:30 P.M.
AT FATHER DEPELCHIN AUDITORIUM

The attendance was recorded as per the Attendance Register.

Mr. Snehasis Sur, Past Secretary and Vice President of the Association welcomed the House and requested Rev. Fr. Dr. Dominic Savio, SJ President of SXCCAA to chair the meeting and also requested to conduct the proceedings of the AGM. He also welcomed Rev. Fr. Peter Arockiam, SJ Vice President Commerce (Evening) and Treasurer as well as Rev. Fr. Joseph Kulandai, SJ Vice President Commerce (Morning) and requested him to conduct the prayer. Mr. Sur also spelt out the obituary message and requested the attendees of the meeting to observe one minute silence in memory of the departed souls.

President called the AGM to order.

Rev. Fr. President was felicitated with a flower bouquet by Mr. Naresh Gupta. Mr. Sanjib Koner felicitated Xaverian Mr. Riten Basu Roy Chowdhury IAS, Commissioner Department of Health & Family Welfare for continuous health & medical related support extended by him during lockdown phases 1 & 2.

Rev. Fr. Dr. Dominic Savio, SJ extended a warm welcome to all those present. He thanked God for the blessings showered and for the presence of Divine. He also thanked everyone including the out going Governing Council, the Jesuit Community, the alumni association, the teachers and the students for their continuous support and contribution. Rev. Fr. President then requested the present Governing Council members to join him on the dias.

In his welcome speech, Rev. Father appreciated the efforts and commitment of the alumni association towards the College as well as society at large during COVID pandemic and severe cyclones Amphan & Yaas – helping the College to earn the reputation of Centre of Philanthropic Excellence, efforts to bring greater glory of God through service, sincerity & commitment. Rev. Father also congratulated both College and staff members and SXCCAA team led by Honorary Secretary Mr. Sanjib Koner for completing more than 7000 COVID vaccination in the college premises – which included Fathers, Brothers, Staff, Students and their family members, Alumni/ae as well as donation of an ambulance to SXCCAA. Rev. Fr. President also mentioned some key highlights on the College like introduction of new PG courses and 5 PhD courses in the College, 4th Rank of the College in NIRF 2021 ranking system, updates on Raghobpur campus of the College and introduction of Ajaynagar campus of the College. An audio-visual presentation on Ajaynagar Campus prepared by EMMRC was shown to all the attendees of the meeting.

Mr. Snehasis Sur also introduced certain key points to the attendees of the meeting like SXCCAA receiving financial aids from College for boosting philanthropic activities, Rev. Fr. Dr. Dominic Savio receiving Shiksha Ratna Award 2021 from Government of West Bengal, Introduction of full-fledged courses of Mass Communication, Multimedia, Journalism in the new campus, 500 years commemoration of cannon-ball moment of St. Ignatius of Loyola. An audio-visual presentation of Philanthropic activities of SXCCAA for the year 2020-2021 during the year was presented which was appreciated by all.

Mr. Sanjib Koner said that the Minutes of the 34th Annual General Meeting held on 30th September, 2020 (online meeting), Secretary's Report and Audited Accounts for the year 2020-2021 was sent by e-mail to all the members of SXCCAA and also uploaded in the SXCCAA website. He said that if the

House approves, the minutes of the last AGM and Secretary's Report for the year 2020-2021 could be taken as read. The minutes of the 34th AGM was approved and passed unanimously being proposed by Mr. Naresh Gupta and seconded by Mr. Jeetu Rampuria. Thereafter, the Secretary's Report was adopted being proposed by Mr. Jeetu Rampuria and seconded by Mr. Jayjit Biswas.

“RESOLVED that the Secretary's Report for the year 2020-2021 and initialed by the Chairman for the purpose of identification be and is hereby approved.”

Rev. Fr. President then requested the Honorary Treasurer, Mr. Anil Goenka to present the Audited Accounts for the Financial Year ended 31st March, 2021. Mr. Goenka placed the Audited Accounts for the Year 2020-2021 before the House. The copy of the Audited Accounts having already been circulated, the Treasurer mentioned the salient features of the revenue earned and major expenses incurred during the Financial Year. After few deliberations by the members on the Audited Accounts like refunds on GST input credit needed to be sought and a minor change of Point 4 in the balance sheet missed to be mentioned in the report, the Audited Accounts for the Financial Year ended 31st March, 2021 was adopted being proposed by Mr. Asif and seconded by Mr. Ramesh Kakarania.

“RESOLVED that the Audited Accounts for the Financial Year ended 31st March, 2021 of the Association and initialed by the Chairman for the purpose of identification be and is hereby passed to be true and fair record.”

The next Agenda Item was to appoint Auditors for the Accounting Year 2021-2022, which was taken up for discussion. Mr. Anil Goenka mentioned that M/s. Anurag Mathur & Company had agreed to continue as the Auditor of St. Xavier's College (Calcutta) Alumni Association for the Accounting Year 2021-2022 with same remuneration, so proposed for his continuation. The same was accepted by the House as proposed by Mr. Umesh Goenka and seconded by Mr. Sushil Maheshwari.

Thereafter, agenda (Item No. 6) of election of the members of the Governing Council for the year 2017-2018 was taken up. Rev. Fr. President declared the names of the new Governing Council Members for the year 2021-2022. The new Governing Council is as under:

Vice President	: Mr. Vikas Khosla : Mr. Umesh Goenka : Mr. Dharmen Trivedi
Secretary	: Mr. Firdausul Hasan
Asst. Secretary	: Mr. Arun Bhatler : Mr. Arvind Bubna : Mr. Ranoj Mukherjee
Treasurer	: Mr. Manoj Mani Agarwal
Asst. Treasurer	: Mr. Smarajit Mitra
Council Members	: Mr. Shahid Ahmed Khan : Mrs. Sujata Rampuria : Mr. Arjun Bahri Dhawan : Mr. Dipan Das

Permanent Invitee : Mr. Sanjib Koner
Ex-Officio : Mr. Anil Goenka

Rev. Fr. President said that the names of the Teacher Member, Student Member and Editor would be decided in the 1st Governing Council meeting. He also said that as per the constitution of SXCCAA, the Governing Council can co-opt members as and when the Council feels necessary.

Rev. Fr. President then called upon the new Governing Council members to take the seat to which they presented themselves. The new Governing Council members were greeted with loud applause by the House.

Mr. Firdausul Hasan, the incoming Secretary of SXCCAA thanked the President, Jesuit Fathers, the members of the Governing Council and the members of SXCCAA in his acceptance speech, seeking their support during his tenure in smooth functioning of the association. He also clarified the issues and queries which had erupted during his tenure as Secretary of the association.

Mr. Snehasis Sur then announced the names of the members who were awarded for various activities. Mr. Sanjib Koner (Immediate Past Secretary) was felicitated with a flower bouquet by the President of SXCCAA for being the recipient of 1st edition of “Man For Others Award” in recognition of his leadership of taking up an array of philanthropic activities. Members present at the meeting also greeted him with a standing ovation for his excellent contribution as Secretary and taking the association to greater heights.

In his Vote of Thanks by outgoing Secretary Mr. Sanjib Koner, he expressed his humbleness and gratitude for the trust which other members placed on him as Honorary Secretary of the Association. He congratulated all the new Governing Council Members and requested to continue whole hearted support so that the Alumni Association can fulfilment of the mission and vision statements as defined by Fr. President. He emphasized that the association has always worked together as a single unit and will continue to work together to take our Alma Mater to higher levels, keep setting benchmarks. As the outgoing Honorary Secretary of the Association, he pledged to continue putting up my best efforts for the better cause of the Association and for the greater glory of the Alma Mater. On behalf of all the outgoing governing council members, he thanked Fr. President for keeping faith on him especially and guiding the GC members always. He also thanked Fr. Rector and all the Jesuit Fathers and Brothers for guiding and blessing the association, especially him always. He expressed his gratitude to all the members specially the outgoing governing council members and staff members of Room No. 5 namely Tanima Ghosh and Dominic Anthony for their dedication and hard work.

Special mention was made to SXCCAAhelp volunteer team for their formation and support during the lockdown phase and helping out the COVID victims and their family members during the pandemic phase. Mr. Naresh Gupta requested Father President to organize visit to Ajaynagar (EM Bypass) Campus for SXCCAA members, while Mr. Manoj Mani Agarwal requested all the chapters of SXCCAA to update the database in the alma shines portal regularly.

There being no other business to transact, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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