

# Annual General Meeting of the Camberwell High School Ex-Students Society

Held at CHS Conference Room at 7.00pm on Tuesday 2 May 2017

- Present: Yvonne Giltinan, Ken James, Geoff Head, Ashley Wah, Bruce Morton, Joel Porter, Bob Taylor, Steve Callinan-Moore, Joel Porter
- Apologies: Audrey Broomhead Jackie Fristacky, Bernard Corser, Jill Fletcher, Kevin Hambrok. Marnie Kok

# **MINUTES**

#### 1. Welcome and Apologies

The President of CHESS Yvonne Giltinan welcomed those present and noted apologies received from those unable to attend.

#### 2. Minutes of 2016 Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the 2016 Annual General Meeting were agreed by the meeting as correct. A motion was put by YG and seconded by AW to accept the minutes of the 2016 AGM as presented which was passed by vote.

# 3. Reports

#### President's Report

Yvonne presented her report (copy attached) to the meeting. Highlights: A motion to accept the report was moved by YG seconded by BT and passed by vote.

#### Treasurer's Report

Ken presented the Treasurer's Report on Eugene's behalf (copy attached) to the meeting. The motion to accept the minutes was moved by KJ, seconded by AW and accepted by vote.

# 4. Election of Office Bearers

Nominations were received by the due date for the following positions:

- President: Yvonne Giltinan
- Vice President: Joel Porter

Secretary: Geoffrey Head

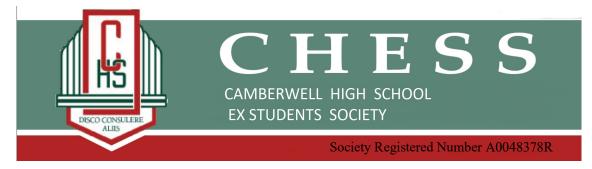
Treasurer: Ken James

Committee: Steve Moore, Ashley Wah and Bob Taylor and one vacancy.

As the number of vacancies exceeded the number of vacancies, Yvonne declared all nominees elected and thanked them for their willingness to join the committee and serve CHESS in the coming year.

# 5. Close of Meeting:

Yvonne thanked all for attending and declared the meeting closed at 7:27 pm.



# Camberwell High School Ex-Students Society (CHESS) AGM 2017 President's Report

The continued growth of Camberwell High School Ex-Students Society can be attributed to our volunteer committee who contribute their skills, experience, enthusiasm and time. Many ex-students have thanked us for our efforts and the committee always values this encouragement.

The committee members in 2016-17 are: Geoff Head, Ken James, Joel Porter, Steve Callinan-Moore, Ashley Wah and Bob Taylor. Jill Fletcher (Davies), Audrey Broomhead, and Marnie Kok (White) also attend the committee meetings and assist throughout the year.

This report is a summary of the various ways the Ex-Students Society has connected with our alumni and our school.

#### 1. Awards

2016 Ex-Students Society Scholarship Winners \$3,000p.a.

On behalf of the Ex-Students Society I presented the annual Year 12 CHESS awards and prize money which is given to "two individuals who have sought to achieve their personal best. They have both displayed outstanding leadership across the school and contributed positively to the life of everyone in our school." The Student Representative Council Captains, Charlie Capp and David Kavanagh, were chosen to receive the Year 12 CHESS awards for 2016. Rebecca Rough (Year 11) and Sophie Roughsedge (Year 10) also received CHESS awards and sent thank-you notes.

#### The Robert Ewins Memorial Fund \$750p.a.

These awards are given to students who achieve consistently outstanding results in Literature. In 2016, Hannah Robotham (Year 11) and Benjamin Parker (Year 10) were awardees. The remainder of our annual contribution is used for the benefit of English Literature in the Brereton Library.

# 2. Events in 2016

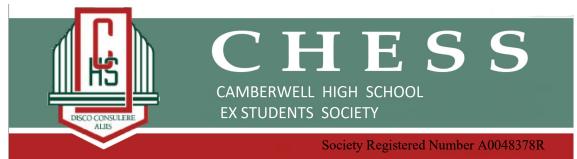
As part of the 75<sup>th</sup> celebrations at the school, I was invited to speak to every year group. In the 10minute presentation, current students assisted by reading a short profile of a student from each decade. Many current students and teachers commented on how meaningful it was to hear how C.H.S had been such a positive influence on those ex-students careers. The presentation was repeated for parents and ex-students on Open Night.

#### 75<sup>th</sup> Mid-Year Luncheon Box Hill Golf Club July 2016

80 ex-students and guests joined the CHESS committee to celebrate 75 years of Camberwell High School. The reflections provided by former Principal Ann Rusden were meaningful given that Ann had led the magnificent Jubilee celebrations in 1991.

#### 75th Gala Dinner 11 November 2016

It was fitting that over 100 ex-students returned to Wattle Park Chalet to celebrate the school's 75th anniversary. In the 1940's exchange visits occurred between Warragul High School and Camberwell High School. After their day of competitive sport, students from both schools enjoyed a combined dinner at Wattle Park Chalet. On this occasion music was supplied by a swing band of five exstudents who played with the current Director of Music, David Hirst. The highlight of the evening was the cutting of the celebratory cake by two former Principals, Ann Rusden and Elida Brereton, and



Jill Laughlin, the current Principal. Many ex-students thanked the committee for running a memorable 75th Gala Dinner.

#### 3. Reunions in 2016

The following reunions and events have occurred over the past 12 months.

Some of the ex-students from the Canberra Chapter had lunch with Yvonne and Phil Giltinan in Canberra. This group has been meeting since 1993.

The 1st Matriculation class had their 60th reunion in Maling Road, then walked to the school for a photo on the front steps.

Some from the Class of '66 flew in from around the country and joined others at the Gala Dinner. Reunions were also held by ex-students from 2006, 1986 and 1976

#### 4. Chessmoves newsletter

The newsletter is published 3 times a year and looks very professional thanks to the work of a parent, Helen Cumming, who is a desktop publisher. The electronic version is well received by over 870 exstudents. Fifty members require a postal version and Audrey Broomhead assists with this task. I am the editor. Contributions from alumni are always appreciated.

#### 5. CHESS Website <u>www.chessmoves.com</u>

The website continues to grow as newly scanned photos and articles are regularly uploaded. Steve Callinan-Moore is scanning all Prospice dating back to the first one published in 1946. Members can also access the newsletter, new membership and annual membership forms, notices of events, reunions and the AGM reports. In 2016, the website had over 4,500 visitors. This year we have already had over 1,170 visitors. Our visitors mostly come from Australia, the UK and USA, but we suspect some are looking for hints about playing Chess and not expecting to find an ex-students school site!

#### 6. Membership and Database: Geoff Head-Secretary

As a committee, we are very keen to increase our membership. Geoff Head continues to work diligently on the database which enables us to communicate regularly with alumni and also notify them of their current financial status. Membership has continued to grow over the last 5 years and in 2016 we had 210 financial members.

#### 7. Finances: Ken James-Treasurer

As a result of sound financial management from Ken James, and diligent support from Neil Robson, we now have excellent processes in place for receiving membership payments and donations. Many ex-students have taken up the suggestion of 5 or 10-year membership. Our funds are invested wisely.

#### 8. Social media

Social media is a strategic way to engage with our younger alumni. Ashley Wah posts events and updates on Facebook. Many ex-students are also using Facebook to contact people in their year and organise their own reunions.

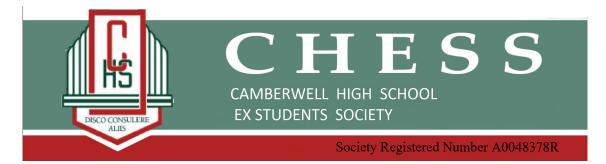
# 9. Continuing links with Camberwell High School

We continue to enjoy a good relationship with the school. Bob Taylor represents CHESS at monthly Council meetings. Last year members of the committee shared lunch with the school leaders, worked



with the library to display the archives as part of the 75<sup>th</sup> celebrations and presented CHESS awards at the Valedictory and Presentation evenings. Current school events are advertised in our newsletter and ex-students are welcome to attend. Some ex-students have also offered to provide careers advice. In conclusion, I want to thank the committee for working with me. CHESS can only function because of their continuing interest, commitment and conscientious contributions, and I am very grateful that I have their support.

# Yvonne Giltinan (McLaren), President



# Treasurer's report 18 May 2016

CAMBERWELL HIGH EX-STUDENTS SOCIETY INCORPORATED Inc

#### PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEN	IBER 2016	
	2016	2015
Income		
Reunion Income	72	612
Badge Sales	0	28
Donations From Members	1,810	1343
Subscriptions	8,470	4650
Xmas Dinner	9,100	5640
Book & CD Sales	89	30
Mid Year Luncheon	3,440	
Interest	412	225
Total Receipts	23,393	12,528
Payments		
Annual Consumer Affairs	54	
Awards	3,000	3048
Bank Charges	412	209
Dinner Year End	10,225	5480
Mid Year Luncheon	3,834	
Donations	0	135
Postage	184	376
Printing and Stationary Newsletter	951	812
Petty Cash	341	
Reunion Expenses	320	216
Website- Development	1,056	510
Total Payments	20,377	10,786
NET OPERATING INCOME	3,016	1742
Retained Income at the beginning of the Financial Year	23,930	22,188
RETAINED INCOME	26,946	23,930

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

This report should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report



#### CAMBERWELL HIGH EX-STUDENTS SOCIETY INCORPORATED Inc

#### **BALANCE SHEET**

#### AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2016

	2016	2015
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at Bank NAB Cheque Account	6,750	9,076
NAB TD Robert Ewin Memorial Funds	11,902	13,031
NAB Deposit IBTD	20,196	13,284
Other Debtors	0	500
	38,848	35,891
TOTAL ASSETS	38,848	35,891
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Funds Held in Trust	0	-320

Robert Ewin Memorial Fund	11,902	12,281
	11,902	11,961
	26,946	23,930
FUNDS		
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#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

#### **Statement of Significant Accounting Policies**

AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements

AASB 1031 Materiality

No Other Accounting Standards Australian Accounting Interpretations or other

authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied The Financial Report is prepared on a cash basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non current assets