

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

Held at CHS Conference Room at 7.30pm on Tuesday 30 April 2019

Present: Yvonne Giltinan, Ken James, Ashley Wah, Bob Taylor, Steve Callinan-Moore, Marnie

Kok, Jill Fletcher, Phil Giltinan

Apologies: Audrey Broomhead, Graham Scott.

## **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 2018 Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the 2018 Annual General Meeting were agreed by the meeting as correct.

Yvonne Giltinan/Ken James

## 3. Reports

## President's Report

Yvonne presented her report (copy attached) to the meeting. The meeting received the report.

Yvonne Giltinan/Marnie Kok

# Treasurer's Report

Ken presented the Treasurer's Report (copy attached) to the meeting. The report was received and approved by the meeting.

\*\*Ken James/Phil Giltinan\*\*

#### 4. Election of Office Bearers

Nominations were received for the following positions:

President: Yvonne Giltinan Vice President: No Nomination

Secretary: Yvonne in discussion with several members

Treasurer: Ken James

Committee: Steve Callinan-Moore, Ashley Wah, Bob Taylor, Marnie Kok and Jill Fletcher.

Ken noted that it was a requirement for the Society to have a Secretary or Public Officer. Yvonne to advise of an appointment following further discussions.

Yvonne declared all nominees elected and thanked them for their willingness to serve CHESS in the coming year.

## **5. Close of Meeting:**

Yvonne thanked all for attending and declared the meeting closed at 8:50 pm.

## 2019 President's Report for AGM Camberwell High School Ex-Students Society (CHESS)

The Camberwell High School Ex-Students Society continues to grow thanks to the work of our volunteer committee who contribute their skills, enthusiasm and time. Many ex-students have thanked us for our efforts and the committee appreciates this encouragement.

The committee for 2018-19 are: Geoff Head, Ken James, Joel Porter, Steve Callinan-Moore, Ashley Wah and Bob Taylor. Jill Fletcher (Davies), Audrey Broomhead, Marnie Kok (White) and Phil Giltinan also attend the committee meetings and assist throughout the year. Neil Robson provides assistance with banking and the mail. Geoff Head has served as secretary for 6 years, and also represented CHESS on the school council in 2013. He has now stepped down and we thank him for his diligent service and the many hours he has worked on the database. We are continuing to search for an ex-student who will take on the secretarial role.

This report is a summary of the various ways the Ex-Students Society has connected with alumni and our school since the last AGM in 2018.

#### **AWARDS**

## Ex Students Scholarships and Well Being (from CHESS funds) \$4,000

At the end of 2018 we were pleased to give:

- Scholarships to 2 Year 12 students. Julia Kim (the SRC President) and Adrian Sacdpraseuth received \$200 each.
- Imogen Bishop (Year 11) and Navia Naidu (Year 10) received \$150
- The remainder was contributed to the Principal's Well-Being Fund for students who need assistance with their education costs.

## Robert Ewins Memorial Fund \$1,250: \$750 Robert Ewins Memorial Fund and \$500 CHESS

- William Reid Drought (Year 11) and Roy Loveday (Year 10) each received a literature scholarship.
- The remainder of the contribution was used for the benefit of English Literature in the Brereton Library. This year the library manager, Rachel Bailey, used the funds to purchase a class set of 25 colour Atlases. She adds: "We have added a book plate to each one, so that students will read about the Robert Ewins Memorial Fund each time they open the book. We are thrilled with the new Atlases. We acknowledge not only the generous donation, but also the hard work which the Ex Students Society have put in to ensure that our current students benefit from his legacy."

#### HALL OF FAME

In 1991, eighteen ex-students who had made notable achievements in their career, were chosen for the Hall of Fame as part of the school's Jubilee. In 2017, the Ex-Students were asked to update the profiles, so they could be read easily and be a source of inspiration to current and future students. After 18 months of extensive work, the updated Jubilee Hall of Fame was installed in September. The school hosted an afternoon tea for 6 of those alumni and 4 members of Jeffrey Dunstan's family.

# Graham Morris wrote:

Thank you for your organisation and sheer hard work related to the re-doing of the 1991 CHS Hall of Fame. We were honoured to be there, and it was wonderful to meet you and members of the CHESS Committee, the designer (Margaret Mitchell) the Principal and fellow Hall-of-Famers.

### **CHESS WEBSITE**: camhigh@exstudents.org.au

Our website is a wonderful archive that includes our history and over 4,000 photos. Ex-students can also access all the newsletters since 1991, notices of events and reunions, the Robert Ewins book as an E-book, the AGM reports and the membership form.

In 2018 a new website was launched. It has a cleaner format and is now accessible on all electronic devises. Every Prospice from 1946-2018 is uploaded on the website thanks to the diligent work of Steve Callinan-Moore who scanned them all. Keen ex-student Phillip Richardson scanned all the newsletters from 1991 which are also uploaded.

#### **CHESS NEWS:**

The newsletter is published 3 times a year and is collated by a graphic designer at KwikKopy Camberwell. The electronic version is sent to over 1,400 ex-students. 47 ex-students require a postal version and Audrey Broomhead assists with this task. I am the editor.

## **FINANCES**

The sound financial management by our treasurer, Ken James, and the practical support from Neil Robson, has enabled us to receive and process membership payments and donations. Many exstudents have taken up the option of 5 or 10-year membership and our funds are invested wisely.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

In August 2018 we collated the following numbers:

	Aug 2018	Jun 2018	Feb 2018	2017	2016	2015
2018 Financial Members	194	177	108	224	210	186
2018 Honorary Members (students)	603	400	400	209	216	193
2018 Life Honorary	1	1	1	1	1	1
Total	698	578	509	434	436	380

Currently we have 217 financial members.

## **YEAR 12 MORNING TEA**

In 2018 we were successful in obtaining the details of nearly all 200 Year 12's by putting on morning tea at the school and giving them a CHESS pen. For 5 years they are regarded as honorary members in the hope that they will choose to become financial members later.

## **LEADER'S LUNCH**

In August some members of the CHESS committee met with 8 student leaders over lunch. The discussion was guided by Principal Jill Laughlin and we had the opportunity to talk about CHESS. We also met Emmanuel Skoutas, the new Vice-Principal, who is an ex-student.

#### **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

For many years CHESS has had a representative on the School Council. Bob Taylor represented CHESS for the last 4 years, diligently attended monthly meetings and raised the profile of the Ex-Students Society. Unfortunately, the school management and School Council took the decision to give our community position to Rotary in 2019. We expressed our disappointment because we believe an ex-student on the school council brings a unique and valuable perspective to the school's governance.

### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Social media is a strategic way to engage with our younger alumni. Many ex-students are also using Facebook to contact people in their year group and organise their own reunions. James Nicolas (class of '84) has agreed to assist us with posts from time to time.

## **EVENTS IN 2018**

## Mid-year luncheon

Over 60 ex-students travelled from near and far to share lunch, enjoy fellowship and listen to former student and guest speaker Emeritus Professor Kwong Lee Dow AO AM (Class of 1954). Kwong spoke about Camberwell High School and education - past, present and future. We were very pleased to have ex-students, Rory Hughes, Ashley Wah and Jess Garnham, and current student, Fiona Bonnet, with us. They have each received a Kwong Lee Dow Scholarship and were chosen not only because "there is a feeling that they will succeed and do well in the University, but they have qualities of leadership, engagement and involvement."

## End of Year Dinner: Café Paradiso 21 November

Emmanuel Skoutas (Class of '80), the new Vice-Principal, was delighted to attend and spoke briefly to the 27 people about the legacy we are leaving as an Ex-Students Society. The cheques from CHESS and the Robert Ewins Memorial Fund were presented to Emmanuel.

#### **REUNIONS**

About 60 ex-students from the class of 2008 attended their 10-year school reunion that they organised on September 1st at Glenferrie Hotel.

## **2019 PROJECTS**

#### TV Hall of Fame

The Principal has given permission to use a mounted television in the foyer, so post 1991 alumni can be added. Selection criteria have been prepared, along with a list of notable ex-students who have received national and international awards. The committee will work with Vice-Principal Emmanuel Skoutas, to complete this project.

#### **Archives**

Donations continue to be received from ex-students. I am hopeful that an ex-student will offer to assist with the archives, so they can be sorted, scanned and uploaded to the website or donated to the school. The library takes items of clothing, books and badges.

#### **Promotion of reunions**

2019 is a significant year for those who attended Camberwell High School in 1949, 1959, '69; '79; '89 etc. It is also 25 years since the class of 1994 graduated. We have an extensive database that may help a reunion group with names and contact details. We can also assist by advertising in the newsletter and on Facebook.

# **2019 EVENTS**

- Mid-Year Luncheon Sunday 28 July at Chapter 3 Maling Road. Graham Morris (class of '59) will speak.
- The end of year informal dinner will be on 20 November. Venue to be advised
- Invitations to attend events at the school include:
  - o Lunch with student leaders: Wed July 31 1pm
  - o Morning tea and sign up with Year 12: Tuesday Aug 6
  - o Art Exhibition and Valedictory evening: Monday October 21
  - o Volunteer Thank you and Presentation evening: Thursday Nov 21

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

# PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

		2017	2018
Income			
Donations From Members		996	587
Subscriptions		9,280	8,125
Xmas Dinner		1,120	1,120
Book & CD Sales		116	216
Mid Year Luncheon		2,360	2,596
Interest		692	308
	Total		
	Receipts	14,564	12,952
Payments			
Annual Consumer Affairs		56	57
Awards		4,000	4,750
Bank Charges		276	271
Book REM		508	
Book from 1991		1,000	
Dinner Year End		1,483	1,328
Mid Year Luncheon		2,703	2,644
Hall of Fame		0	4,833
Postage		283	127
Printing and Stationary Newsletter		782	1,034
Petty Cash		233	
Reunion Expenses		0	
Website- Development		2,413	4,604
Year 12 Promotion		874	544
	Total		
	Payments	14,611	20,192
NET OPERATING INCOME		-47	-7,240
Retained Income at the beginning of the Financial Year		26,946	26,899
RETAINED INCOME		26,899	19,659

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 2018**

	2017	2018
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at Bank NAB Cheque Account	11,008	9,145
NAB TD Robert Ewin Memorial Funds	11,153	10,408
NAB Deposit IBTD	15,889	10,764
Other Debtors	0	0
	38,050	30,317
TOTAL ASSETS	38,050	30,317
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Funds Held in Trust	0	0
Robert Ewin Memorial Fund	11,151	10,658
	11,151	10,658
	26,899	19,659
FUNDS		
Members Funds	26,899	19,659
TOTAL FUNDS	26,899	19,659

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

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