

Date: 16 November 2014
Time: 5:30 pm
Venue: Vermont South Community House
Karobran Drive, Vermont South

The 25th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Ceylon Students Educational Fund (Fund) was held recently at the Vermont South Community House. The AGM was presided by the President, Mrs Arun Vijayarani. The AGM commenced with the observation of a minute's silence in recognition of those who have lost their lives due to conflict followed by a welcome speech.

The Minutes of the 24th AGM was read by Mrs Vithiya Sriskantharajah. Mr Rajaratnam proposed the correctness of the minutes and Mrs Usha Sivanathan seconded this. This was followed by the submission and acceptance of the 2014-2015 Annual Report and Financial Statements. The accounts for the recent 25th Anniversary Silver Jubilee Function was also submitted and accepted. Following a few queries in relation to the financial statements, Dr Chandranath proposed the correctness of the statements and Mr Senthil seconded this.

Mr Murugapoopathy then highlighted some of the problems faced by the Fund in relation to the remittance and distribution of the funds by the various organisations. Members present made a few suggestions to try and minimise these problems.

The members present at the AGM made a decision that from 1 January 2015, the amount of financial assistance provided to each student should be increased by Rs. 500 to Rs. 2,000 per month. It was also decided that the respective co-ordinators in Sri Lanka should stipulate to the children that the financial assistance should be used towards the costs associated with the continuation of their education.

Discussions in relation to whether hardcopies of the Annual Report should be sent to members who do not attend the AGMs. It was decided that the Annual Reports provide an avenue for advertising the work of the Fund and therefore should be printed and distributed. However given the cost involved, the Committee should try and seek sponsorship of the costs from members or businesses.

Prior to the election of the new management committee, Mrs Arun Vijayarani thanked all those members and friends who have helped the Fund carry out its day to day functions as well as organize the Silver Jubilee function. On behalf of the management committee, Mr Navaratnam Allamathevan, thanked Mrs Arun Vijayarani for her commitment and effort towards helping the Fund achieve its goals.

The Management Committee for the period of 2015-2016 was elected as follows:

President:	Mr Vimal Aravinthan
Vice President:	Mr Thuraisingam (Sydney) Mr Ravindrarajah (ACT)
Secretary:	Mrs Sathya Sivalingam
Asst. Secretary:	Mrs Santhy Ravindran
Treasurer:	Mrs Vithiya Sriskantharajah
Asst. Treasurer:	Mr L. Murugapoopathy
Committee Members:	Dr Mathivathani Chandranath Dr Paramsoothy Mrs Selvarani Rajaratnam Mr Rajaratnam Sivanathan Mr Navaratnam Allamathevan Mr Nadanakumar Mr Sathananthavel Mr Ganeshalingam

Proposed by:	Mr Arunagiri
Seconded by:	Dr Chandranath

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks by the incoming chairperson Mr Vimal Aravinthan.

I certify that the above contents are the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Ceylon Students Educational Fund held on 16 November 2014.

Vithiya Sriskantharajah
Treasurer (CSEF)
10 December 2014

Vimal Aravinthan
Chairperson (CSEF)