

Hutchesons' Former Pupils' AGM

Minutes of the Eleventh Annual General Meeting of Hutchesons' Former Pupils' held on Wednesday 10th January 2007 at 7.00pm in the Senior School, Beaton Road, Glasgow.

Sederunt: Allan Ramsay, President Dorothy McFarlane
 Graham Baird Jimmy McPhail
 Kirsteen Gibson Alistair Marr
 Joyce Henderson Gavin Summers
 Ron Jamieson Helen Wright
 Brian MacBride

In attendance: Dr Greig (Rector), Graham MacAllister (Senior Depute Rector),
 Catherine Gillen (Director of Development)

Opening Remarks

Allan Ramsay, President of the FP Council, welcomed all those attending the eleventh Annual General Meeting of the Hutchesons' Former Pupils' Council.

Apologies

Apologies were received from Ian Gall, Stuart Keenan, Gillian Kyle, Katherine Park, Zoe Howieson, Vivienne McLaren

Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising

The minutes from the previous meeting held on Wednesday 11th January 2006 were approved. There were no matters arising from that meeting.

President's Report

2006 was another busy year for Former Pupil events.

The Founders' Day address at Glasgow Cathedral was given by Sheila Gunn (c81). Those attending were entertained by the newly formed pipe band who were excellent. Gillian Kyle once again organised the annual golf match between the school and the FPs which this year took place at Pollok Golf Club. The FPs again fielded a strong team but were unable to regain the McMillan Quaich with the school retaining the trophy by the same score as last year ie 3-1.

The Annual Reunion Dinner was held at the school in March and attended by 100 FPs, staff and Kindred Clubs. This year's speakers were Alison Di Rollo and, attending his first FP Dinner, Dr Ken Greig. Both speeches were extremely well received.

The format of the G + T Awards ceremony was changed slightly with the nominations being read out by the Head Boy, Cameron Herbert and Head Girl Hannah Tait. The winners were Douglas Bremner, Fiona Gilbert, Jane McCormick (Young Achiever) and Iain Ronald (Honorary Award).

The Ladies Lunch was held in May at Kingarth Street, organised by Jean Lees and Sheilagh White and attended by over 100 ladies.

After the usual lull in the summer months, activities restarted in September with the Ladies Golf Outing once again organised by Gillian Kyle and held at Strathaven Golf Club. Unfortunately the weather was very unkind and the event had to be abandoned.

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There were fewer reunions in 2006 than in 2005 however those that did take place were fairly special in that one was held in Canada and attended by Graham MacAllister and Catherine Gillen and the second was the 61st annual reunion of the class of 1946 organised by Bob Colville and attended by 24 including partners.

A well attended reunion was held in Edinburgh during the year which was organised by Alastair Fenton and Jennifer Brown and further events are scheduled for 2007. A small reunion attended by some 20 FPs took place in London in the new wing of the Caledonian Club in November, and the House of Lords Lunch hosted by Lord McColl of Dulwich is scheduled for May 2007.

On a sporting front GHA or Glasgow Hutchesons' Aloysians, to give them the club its full title, having been relegated from Premier 1 just over a season ago, is in the running to gain one of the promotion spots to return to Premier 1. With 5 games to go they are in second position with three being promoted at the end of the season.

A number of FPs have rejoined the club and the normal 1st XV squad contains 5FPs, and FPs also represent other senior clubs eg Cartha and West of Scotland.

Still on the rugby front the annual Ian Green Memorial Match played between the school and a FP XV was played at Braidholm and resulted in a narrow and possibly undeserved win for the FPs.

One final matter to report on is the initiative of the Development Office to appoint FP consuls in overseas countries. To date 19 consuls have been appointed, geographically spread from Hong Kong to Bolivia which is a terrific effort by the Development Office and I think also shows the genuine affection which so many FPs hold for the school.

Treasurer's Report

Katherine Park read the Accounts to the Council. The Ladies lunch made a small loss of £16 but the Ladies Golf outing made a small profit of £15. There was an overall surplus for the year of £23.12. The accounts were approved.

Election of Office Bearers and Council Members

Ron Jamieson announced that he would like to stand down from the Council. He advised the Council that the Edinburgh Section was in funds by about £400 which he would like to give to the Rector as a prize, or towards the bursary fund or to support a school trip. He will write to the Rector with these suggestions.

Any other business

There was no other business to report.

Date of next meeting

It was agreed that the date of the next Annual General meeting would be **Wednesday 9th January 2008** at **7.00pm** in the Senior School, Beaton Road. Unless otherwise notified, the meeting would be held in the Founders' Room.
