

CONFIRMED PTA AGM NOTES OCT 15, 2019

Call To Order

The meeting began at 4.35 p.m. with a prayer led by Mrs. Sharon Rolle. The Principal, Ms. Prentice, welcomed the parents and guardians and called upon Mrs. Harris to read the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.

Reading of Minutes

The minutes were read

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Any Other Business

- Front Gate
 - The front gate had been motorized. This would help to keep out vagrants who had been sleeping at the school. One was still finding a way in, but that should soon be resolved.

- Staff Changes
 - Staff changes - Ms. Inoela Vidal had left to pursue further studies. Ms. Ashner Dejean and Ms. Jada O'Brien were the two new members of Staff.

- PTA Executive
 - Two members of the PTA Executive to wit. Mrs Angelita Dover and Ms. Sherma John had left due to the fact that their daughters had graduated. Additionally, the current President, Kathe Robinson, had emigrated. Parents were asked to nominate new members.
 - The following persons were nominated and accepted to serve:
 - Ms. Janice Hypolite
 - Ms. Beverly Baron

- Mr. Patrick George
- Mrs. Oyane Matthew Henderson
- Ms. Narlie Bertrand

- The full Executive for this year is as follows:

Ms. Isabella Prentice (Principal)	Ms. Tamara Adams
Mr. Andre McAulay (Dep. Principal)	Mr. Joseph Floissac
Mrs. Deborah Harris (Dep. Principal)	Ms. Cee-Ann Lafond
Ms. Nadette Williams (Staff Representative)	Deacon Jeffers Paul
Ms. Stephanie Alexander	Ms. Avril Coipel
Mrs. Lydia Talbot	Ms. Lisa Valmond
Ms. Janice Hypolite	Ms. Beverly Baron
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- School Repairs

- Due to certain bureaucratic matters, the repairs to the south and south-eastern blocks were delayed
- A new project manager had been appointed
- It would now cost \$600,000.00 to repair the “L” -wing of the school.
- Repairs would begin before the end of Term I although there was not enough money to complete the project.

- End of Term Activities

- End of term examinations would take place from 25th November to 3rd December. Timetables had been sent out to students already.
- Term I exams would be abridged; however, it is expected to return to a normal exam for 5th formers in Term 2, as well as for the rest of the school in Term 3.
- Students must charge their devices at home as no charging would be allowed at school
- Term I would end on December 13th, 2019

- Parents were asked to ensure that the school had their correct contact information and were reminded not to allow their daughters to call them directly from school.
- CSEC Results
 - Mr. MacAulay reported on CSEC and related matters.
 - Several students were reporting ill and parents were reminded to inform the school as early as possible, either by email or a phone call.
 - The 2019 CSEC and CCSLS results were then presented. One hundred and one candidates - 100 females and 1 male, a music student, sat 19 subject areas. Eleven out of the nineteen subjects obtained a 100% pass rate. The overall pass rate was 92%. The top CSEC student was Junelle Vital, with 9 Grade Ones.
 - In the CCSLC exams, there was a 100% pass rate both in French and Spanish. 2019 would be the last year in which CHS would enter students for the CCSLC exams.
 - CHS was the only school to have a 75% pass rate in Mathematics.
 - CSEC recommendations were out and fees would be due by November 7th or 8th. Parents paying fees would have to pay about \$500.00 to \$564.00.
- Any Other Business
- Photos
 - Picture Perfect, represented by Jina Harris-Alleyne, introduced a photo package for students. Both individual and class photos were offered.
 - Students who filled out the form would begin having their photos taken from January 2020.
 - 10% of the money collected from the sale of the photos here would go to the Convent High School.
 - Photos would be available by the end of the term

- Christ the King Festival
 - The Festival would be held on November 24th at a diocesan level.
 - Students, in uniform, would assemble at the school to go to the starting point.
 - The school would be responsible for the students up to 4:30 p.m.
 - The support of parents was solicited.

- Kweyol Activities
 - CHS had organized a “Twin day” for the next day (Oct. 16th) and a “Pink day” for Friday 18th October.
 - On “Pink day”, the students would come to school in full uniform, except that they would be allowed to wear pink ribbons, wrist bands, badges etc. with their uniforms.

- Cultural Performances
 - Ms. Teen CHS would take place here at school on December 14th. Ms. Teen CHS would go on to represent the school at the Ms. Teen Dominica pageant.
 - UMOJA planned a silent headphones party for December 20th.
 - In the Independence cultural events, CHS had placed first in all 4 categories - the Creole Song group; Creole Song Individual; the Children’s Conte and Children’s Dance groups.
 - The students would be performing at the Cultural Gala on November 4th.

- 5th Form Retreat
 - The school was looking into organizing a retreat for the 5th formers in January 2020, to replace the COR retreat. Parents would be informed when plans have been finalized.

- Questions from the Floor
 - On the school repairs - The Principal pointed out the following:
 - they would start with the south-eastern section.

- repairs would cost \$800,000.00.
 - the building across the road was also in need of repairs, but although the school had the windows, there was no money for the labour.
 - for the 2nd forms, there was money for the doors but not the windows; and the galvanize sheets had come in from Trinidad but there was also no money for labour to install them.
- On the reason for dismissing the students at 12 o'clock
 - Repairs should have started during the summer. The contractors had planned to work from 1 p.m. daily, which meant that the students should be off campus at 12 o'clock.
 - Normal hours should be resumed by January 2020.
- On "twin day"
 - If some students had no "twin", something would be worked out for those students.
- Passing of the hat
 - \$269.45 was collected.
- Adjournment of Meeting
 - The meeting ended at 5.42 p.m.