



Old Paulians' Association Seremban

Annual Report 2024



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OLD PAULIANS' ASSOCIATION

Paulian House
324-1 (Lot 3029), Taman Bukit Kaya,
70200 Seremban

18 March 2025

Dear Sir/Madam,

99th Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the 99th Annual General Meeting of the Old Paulians' Association will be held as follows:

Date: **Sunday, 6th April 2025**
Time: **11.00 a.m.**
Venue: **Paulian House,
324-1 (Lot 3029), Taman Bukit Kaya,
70200 Seremban**

AGENDA

Singing of School Rally

- Item 1** Welcome Speech by the President, Mr. Steven Chan Weng Choy.
- Item 2** 2.1. Address by the Principal of S.P.I. (Sec.)
2.2. Address by the Headmistress of S.P.I. (Pri.), Pn. Margret Easiah
- Item 3** To confirm the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meetings held on 30 March 2024
- Item 4** To consider and adopt the Annual Report of the Management Committee for the year 2024
- Item 5** To approve the Annual Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024
- Item 6** To consider and approve Honoraria for the Hon. Gen. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer
- Item 7** To consider and approve the amendments of the Constitution.
- Item 8** 8.1 To consider and approve the nomination of Mr. Ng Yee Tim (C1961) to be the Patron of the Association under Rule 14.1 of the Constitution
8.2 To consider and approve the nomination of Mr. Hilary Santa Maria (C1964) to be the Advisor of the Association under Rule 14.2 of the Constitution
- Item 9** To elect the members of the Committee and two (2) Hon. Auditors for the period 2025/2027
- Item 10** To consider any other business of which at least seven clear days' notice shall have been given in writing to the Hon. Gen. Secretary.

By The Order Of The Management Committee,



Tan Kok Chin
Hon. Gen. Secretary

OLD PAULIANS' ASSOCIATION

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

PRESENT RULES	PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
4. Membership 4.1. Ordinary Membership Ordinary Membership of the Association shall be open to all former students, serving teachers and past teachers of St. Paul's Institution, Seremban.	4. Membership 4.1. Ordinary Membership Ordinary Membership of the Association shall be open to all former students, serving teachers and past teachers of St. Paul's Institution, Seremban. Only former students who have maintained Ordinary Membership for a minimum of one (1) year are eligible to stand for election as office bearers. All serving teachers and past teachers of St Paul's Institution who are not former students shall have voting rights within the Association; however, they will not be eligible to stand for election as office bearers.
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The 98th Annual General Meeting ("AGM") was held on 30 March 2024 at 11:30 am at the Paulian House, No. 324-1 (Lot 3029), Taman Bukit Kaya ("Paulian House") with a turnout of 36 members.

The quorum required as per rule 9.5 of the OPA's constitution was 20. The members present were:

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| 1 Chan Weng Choy, Steven | 19 Margret Easiah, (SPI Pri Head Mistress) |
| 2 Chan Wing Hong, Douglas | 20 Ho Chin Kiat, Ignatius |
| 3 Lee Kok Keong - C1959 | 21 Kalaiselvam Muniandi (SPI Principal) |
| 4 Balu a/l Konodian | 22 Ivan Christie Jeremiah |
| 5 Seretharan Thamodaran | 23 Philip Chong Kam Hong |
| 6 Teng Wah Kwai | 24 Ng Chong, Freddy |
| 7 Malcolm Brohier | 25 Pathma A/P Arunasalam |
| 8 Devaraj a/l Ramoo | 26 Ananda Jagadev a/l Anandan |
| 9 Claude Rennie Jeremiah | 27 V Anbalagan a/l Veerasamy |
| 10 Ng Yee Tim | 28 Siow Ah Keow |
| 11 Ong Eng Leong, Peter | 29 Sawarimutthu a/l Rayappan |
| 12 Thong Kai Tung, Michael | 30 Datin Wong Lai Hwa |
| 13 Leong Chin Kui, Jeffery | 31 Yap See Moi |
| 14 Wan King Lum, Robin | 32 Dato' Shah Rimah Rajah |
| 15 Chan Kwai Fong | 33 Tan Kok Chin |
| 16 Tan Siang Noy, Josephine | 34 Dato' Lai See Ming |
| 17 Geoh Swee Kee | 35 Siva Kuhan Ramalingam |
| 18 A Paramanantham Arulanandam | 36 Wong Poh Keong, Christopher |

Apologies

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| 1. Loh Yah Shang | 5. Santhanasamy s/o Amaladas |
| 2. Lucy Magaret Ratnam | 6. Cheong Yee Chi |
| 3. Winston Chong Yew Yoong | 7. Lee Kim Huat |
| 4. Narvin Francis | 8. Tan Kok Suan |

Singing of the School Rally and Victory March was carried out by the members present.

1.0 Speech by the Chairman

- 1.1 The Chairman, Mr Steven Chan Weng Choy called the meeting to order and welcomed the members to the 98th AGM.
- 1.2 In his address, the Chairman acknowledged with heartfelt gratitude for the attendance of the members to this meeting. He also extended a special word of welcome to Mr. Kalaiselvam Muniandi, the Principal of SPI Secondary and to Pn. Margret Easiah, the newly minted Headmistress of SPI Primary. He thanked them for coming to support OPA and congratulated them for the remarkable achievements of both schools. Both the school heads will address the members and Mr. Kalai will unfortunately be addressing us for the last time at the OPA AGM as he is scheduled for retirement in November 2024.

On a separate note, the Chairman congratulated Mr Santhanasamy Amaladas on his well-deserved retirement as Headmaster of SPI Primary last month. Thankfully, Mr. Santhana will continue to serve as a Vice President on the OPA Committee, overseeing the School Committee Support portfolio. Pn. Margret can rest assured of his continued support for the Primary school.

- 1.3 Before proceeding further, the Chairman called for a moment of silence in memory of all our faithful Paulians who have passed away, the latest being the Late Francis Foong Chee Wai, from the Class of 1961, who passed away on 24th March 2024. Though they may no longer be with us, their legacies and memories live on in our hearts.

[All raised to observe a moment of silence]

- 1.4 The Chairman then reported that over the past year, the OPA has achieved remarkable milestones and made significant strides in advancing our mission to serve our alma mater while enhancing our OPA activities. Throughout the last term, a total of 13 management committee meetings were held. All these details are in the comprehensive and detailed annual report. He extended his heartfelt gratitude to the members of his committee as well as to each and every one of you for your unwavering dedication and commitment to our cause. All your support, whether it is through volunteer efforts, generous donations, or even active engagements have been pivotal in driving our success.
- 1.5 He particularly acknowledged the immense contribution of our Patron, YB Anthony Loke for his generous donation of RM100,000 each to both the schools, as well as for his instrumental role in securing a RM1,000,000 donation from YTL Foundation for our Secondary school development fund. YB Anthony's unwavering support and dedication to our school, truly embody the spirit of a true Paulian.
- 1.6 As the President of OPA, he steadfastly is committed to supporting both the schools in every possible capacity. As always, he will continue to actively engage in dialogues with the school heads in matters pertaining to school support and development. Upholding the Lasallian ethos and values instilled in us by our alma mater and passing them on to future generations remains a cornerstone of OPA's enduring mission. He always remembers the words of the late Bro. Augustin Julian and echoed his sentiments that as an Alumni, the OPA must always serve as the eyes and ears of the LaSallian Mission.
- 1.7 The Chairman then emphasised that the heart of the OPA is our indomitable Paulian Spirit, characterised by our strong bond of unity, camaraderie and shared goals. Let us continue to harness this collective spirit to bring our association to even greater heights and to uphold the Lasallian values and traditions that define us as proud alumni of St. Paul's Institution.
- 1.8 In conclusion he expressed his sincere appreciation for your continued support and dedication. Together, in the coming days, months and even years ahead, we will achieve even greater things. Let us seize every opportunity to reconnect, to collaborate and to celebrate the enduring Lasallian legacy of St. Paul's Institution.

As the saying goes, "Once a Paulian, Always a Paulian".

2.0 Address by School Heads.

- 2.1 Address by the Principal of SPI secondary, Mr. Kalaiselvam Muniandi.

A) Mr Kalaiselvem introduced himself to the members as the Principal of SPI (Sec). He will address the members for the last time as he will be retiring in November 2024, in 236 days' time. Mr. Kalaiselvam conveyed his appreciation for being invited to report on the school's progress.

B) He informed the members that the school has 877 students, all boys, from Form 1 to Form 5. There are 34 classes. He hopes to have zero Remove class in 2025. There are 70 teachers. 10 management staff, 10 laboratory assistants, 4 security guards, 6 general workers.

C) During the Sports day last year, he showed YB Anthony Loke (Class of 1994) the toilets and classrooms. Each classroom, science lab, computer lab has a 65" Smart TV, donated by Dato Lim Kian Onn (Class of 1973). The tables and chairs have not been changed for the last 12 years. On Jan 2, 2024, YB Anthony Loke's Political Secretary informed him of the donation that the school will be receiving from YTL Foundation. The amount was RM1,000,000 and parked into the Board of Governors account. An amount of about RM300K has been spent.

D) With this amount, the following development/upgrading were carried out.

- 1) All the tables and chairs were replaced
- 2) The sub-soil in the school field was upgraded with the fish-bone layout to prevent the field from flooding during heavy rain.
- 3) The dining room for the teachers was also upgraded.
- 4) The 2 toilet cubicles at the Bro James Block were increased to 6.
- 5) At the ECM-Libra Hall, the LCD was upgraded to LED (20x10) with an interactive control. Discussion on the Arch at the school gate will be discussed with OPA in conjunction with the 125th Anniversary celebration of the school. The school will plan for a 22'x45' mini turf for hockey.

E) The Saint Paul statue's inauguration will be on 13th April. 2024. The statue was donated by the Abraham's family. The Sport's Day will be on 12th May. The Inter LaSallian Games was planned for 27th July which SPI will be hosting. The 125th Anniversary celebration was planned for 8th September.

He thanked the OPA for their continuous support and contribution to the school and hoped OPA will continue to support and bring the schools to greater heights.

The Chairman thanked Mr Kalai for his comprehensive and detailed report.

2.2 Address by the Headmistress of SPI Primary, Puan Margret Easiah ("Pn. Margret")

A) Pn. Margret addressed the members with a very warm good morning. She introduced herself as the Headmistress of SPI Primary. She has been working for 25 years in Kuala Lumpur, travelling daily from Seremban. She has served 30 years as a teacher and was honored to serve as the Headmistress of SPI Primary.

B) The school has 47 teachers. short of 5 teachers. The student enrollment is 596 male students. First time female students are 14, giving a total of 610 students. The Std 1 number has increased from 92 last year to 109 this year.

C) The school has introduced robotics with dedicated teachers to teach on the subject. The STEM room has been implemented. She has requested for a staff room for the teachers in recognition of their services.

D) She walks around the school compound from 8am to 11am and notices that the school needs to implement CCTV urgently. The library needs to be upgraded and possibly an e-Library. The school plans to have a 24 hours hockey competition.

E) She thanked OPA for the opportunity to address the members and will update the members accordingly in due course.

The Chairman thanked Pn. Margret for her address and congratulated her on her new appointment as the Headmistress. He welcomed her on board to the Paulian community. Though the request may be long, rest assured that there are 3 pillars to support, namely the Board, OPA and PIBG.

3.0 To confirm the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.

3.1 Referring to Page 5, item 2.1.1. The name of Mr. Kalai to be corrected to "Kalaiselvam Muniandi". Item 2.1.6 "LaSallian" was confirmed by Mr Ng Yee Tim to be correct.

3.2 The heading on page 5 and 7 should be the 97th Annual General Meeting instead of 96th.

Without further corrections, the Minutes of the 97th AGM was proposed by Mr. Seretharan Thamodaran to be adopted and he was seconded by Mr. A Paramanantham Arulanandam.

4.0 To consider and adopt the Annual Report of the Committee for the year 2023.

- 4.1 Referring to Page 12, item 9. Mr Christopher Wong pointed out that the breakfast on 07/10/2023 should be "sponsored by Mr Param from Class of 87 and Mr. Douglas Chan".
- 4.2 Referring to Page 13, item 11. The first paragraph, the word "hiatus" was removed.
- 4.3 Referring to Page 8, item 2.1 Lasallian to be changed to LaSallian. Technologies to be changed to Technology.

Mr. Wong Poh Keong, Christopher proposed that the Annual Report be adopted. He was seconded by Mr Siva Kuhan Ramalingam. The proposal was unanimously adopted.

5.0 To approve the Annual Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Mr Siva Kuhan Ramalingam proposed that the Statement of Accounts for 2023 be accepted. He was seconded by Mr Seretharan Thamodaran. It was unanimously accepted without any objections.

6.0 To consider and approve the honoraria for both the Hon. Gen. Secretary and the Hon. Treasurer.

This was discussed without the presence of the Hon. Gen. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer. Rennie Jeremiah proposed RM500 per month. Ivan Jeremiah proposed RM450 per month.

It was put to vote. 3 votes for Ivan. Majority (estimate about 20) voted for Rennie. The decision of the members was that the honoraria be increased to RM500 per month.

7.0 To consider any other business of which at least seven clear days' notice shall have been given in writing to the Hon. Gen. Secretary.

There was no notice given to the Hon. Gen. Secretary.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:40 pm with a vote of thanks to the Chair. Lunch was served at the Paulian House.

Prepared by:



TAN KOK CHIN
Hon. Gen. Secretary

Confirmed by:

CHAN WENG CHOY, STEVEN
Chairman

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1 Annual General Meeting

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2 Management Committee Meetings

There were 23 Management Committee Meetings held ("Meeting") after the 97th AGM that was held on 26th March 2023 to 31st December 2024. The details of the attendance of each Committee member are as follows :

Name	Attendance	Attendance (%)
Steven Chan Weng Choy ("Mr Steven Chan")	23 of 23	100%
Ng Yee Tim ("Mr Ng")	23 of 23	100%
Santhanasamy a/l Amaladas ("Mr Santhana")	9 of 23	40%
Douglas Chan Wing Hong ("Mr Douglas")	21 of 23	91%
Tan Kok Chin ("Mr Tan")	22 of 23	96%
Dato' Lai See Ming ("Dato Lai")	23 of 23	100%
Lee Kok Keong ("Mr Lee KK")	22 of 23	96%
Sawarimutthu Rayappan ("Mr Mutthu")	19 of 23	83%
Jeffery Leong Chin Kui ("Mr Jeffery")	21 of 23	91%
Balu a/l Konodian ("Mr Balu")	20 of 23	87%
Lee Kim Huat ("Mr Lee KH")	12 of 18	67%
Chen Voon Tyng, Royston ("Mr Royston")	9 of 9	100%

The Association was updated on the activities, developments and affairs of St Paul's Institution, Primary ("SPI Primary") and SPI Secondary by their Heads, Mr Santhanasamy Amaladas ("Mr Santhana") prior to his retirement on 29th February, 2024. and Mr Kalaiselvam Muniandi ("Mr Kalai") prior to his retirement on 21st November 2024. The new Headmistress of SPI Primary, Pn. Margret Easiah joined in March 2024. Replacement for SPI Secondary Principal is in progress.

Mr Gerard Chan resigned with immediate effect from 22nd January 2024 and the committee appointed Mr Douglas Chan to the Vice-President position at the 12th OPA Management meeting on 30th January 2024. Mr Royston was appointed as committee member to replace Mr Douglas.

2.1 The Sub Committees were as follow:

Sub-committee	Head
LaSallian Liaison & Recreation	Ng Yee Tim
Sports & Games	Balu a/l Konodian
School Support	Santhanasamy a/l Amaladas
Technology & Multimedia	Dato' Lai See Ming / Tan Kok Chin
Building & Facilities	Douglas Chan Wing Hong
Membership	Sawarimutthu Rayappan
Food & Beverages Matters	Jeffery Leong Chin Kui

3. LaSallian Liaison & Recreation Committee

During the year, 3 trips were organised.

- China Trip (Nanning & Guizhou) 11th - 18th March 2024. 20 paxs attended.
- China Trip (Guang Dong) 28th Oct - 2 Nov 2024. 8 paxs attended.
- Betong, Thailand Trip 15-17 July 2024. 21 paxs attended. Transport was by bus.

These trips were organised by Mr. Ng Yee Tim, working with the tour agencies to arrange for suitable English speaking tour guides and a comfortable itinerary. All expenses are from the members who joined the trips. No expenses were incurred under OPA's funds. Participants are mainly Paulians, family members including LaSallians and friends.

4. Sports & Games Committee

The Association is affiliated to Negeri Sembilan Badminton Association, Persatuan Badminton Daerah Seremban (represented by Mr. Loh Yah Shang, C1978 and Mr Lee Nam Yew, C1977) and the Negeri Sembilan Hockey Association (represented by Mr Santhanasamy Amaladas (Class of 1981, VP of OPA).

Badminton:

The 78th NSBA AGM was held on 6th March 2024 attended by both the OPA representatives (Mr Loh YS and Lee NY).

The Inaugural OPA Open Challenge Trophy for Badminton was organised and held on 14th December 2024. Venue was at Pronet Sport Centre (Oakland, Seremban). The Main organiser was Mr Loh YS. The Challenge Trophy was donated by the Chan Brothers (Douglas, Steven and family). The prize giving and lunch were held at the Paulian House after the tournament.

Hockey:

NSHA BGM was held on 27th Oct 2023 attended by the President, Mr Steven Chan and VP Mr. Santhanasamy Amaladas. Mr Santhana was also elected to one of the sub-committees of NSHA. Next BGM will be in 2025.

Annual Games Carnival (OPA vs SPI):

The Annual OPA vs SPI Games Carnival were held on 10th August 2024 at SPI Secondary school for 5 games (Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Table Tennis and Badminton) and Squash was at RSUC in the afternoon.

Hockey was played on 11th August 2024 at Hockey Astro Turf, Indian Recreation Club (IRC), Bandar Baru Sendayan.

No	Game	Won by	Score
1	Badminton	OPA	OPA 5 - SPI 2
2	Basketball	OPA	OPA 49 - SPI 46
3	Football	SPI	OPA 0 - SPI 1
4	Hockey	OPA	OPA 7 - SPI 2
5	Squash	OPA	OPA 4 - SPI 1
6	Table Tennis	OPA	OPA 3 - SPI 2
7	Volleyball	SPI	OPA 1 - SPI 4

Overall Score: OPA 5 - SPI 2.

Overall Result: Winner 2024 goes to OPA.

Reminder: If you wish to participate in these games, please sign up to be OPA members. Priority will be for the OPA members to take part in the Games.

OPA Golf Tournament:

The OPA 98th Golf Tournament Championship 2024 was held at Staffield Golf and Country Resorts, on Friday 30th August 2024.

116 Paulian Golfer enthusiasts and guests had fun, laughter, fellowship and camaraderie. Highlight was the "Hole in One" Honda 1.8L Hybrid car, While No One drove it home, Many participants took home heaps of amazing prizes.

OPA President Mr Steven Chan who is also the Tournament Director quoted ,

"This Special Event is not only winning, but also celebrating "Paulian Spirit" and building lasting Friendship".

Big Thank You to All Our generous donors,
Messrs. Honda Ban Lee Heng Seremban
Messrs. Lady America (M) Sdn Bhd
Messrs. Aurelius Hospital Negeri Sembilan
Messrs. Merkel Clinic
Mr. Keshminder Singh
Mr. Anthony Tong
Mr. Raymond Tan
Mr. Keith Chan

5. School Support Committee

(i) SPI Primary:

The Headmaster of the Primary school, Mr Santhanasamy Amaladas retired on 29th February 2024. The replacement is Pn. Margaret Easiah from March 2024.

Report was presented by Pn. Margret Easiah, Headmistress of SPI Primary on 13th June 2024 at the 16th OPA Management Meeting, as below:-

1. The student Year 1 enrolment is 148. Max to cap at 150. Girls will be 40 students.
2. The roof is found to be leaking and a quote of RM8K is required for the whole school roof repairs.
3. The roof of the library is leaking.
4. The school has applied for CCTV from YB Cha KC.
5. STEM competition is on 8th August 2024. School is taking part.
6. PIBG AGM is on 22nd June 2024.

(ii) SPI Secondary: Co-curricular Annual Report

School Profile

St Paul's Institution was founded in 1899 by Father Catesson of the Paris Foreign Missions. Its aim was to provide an English education to the boys of Seremban and the surrounding areas. "St Paul's School", as it was then called, was the first English school in the state.

Mr Kalaiselvam Muniandi retired from 21 November 2024. His tenure was from 2021 to 2024. OPA thanks him for the services rendered and wishes him a happy retirement. The replacement Principal is under process.

SPI celebrated Founder's Day organized by La Salle Club. During Founder's Day, SPI Honored the Legacy of St John Baptist De La Salle. The program emphasizes LaSallian Value and encourages Paulian to be more engaged in all LaSalle Programs

Marching Drill - Uniformed Unit was held 31 July 2024

Champion - Scouts

1st Runner Up - St John Ambulance Malaysia

2nd Runner Up - PKBM

3rd Runner Up - Police Cadet

BEST Platoon Leader

Master Shawn Ng - St John Ambulance

SPI Excellent Award Ceremony was held on 13 November, 2024

The Excellent Award Ceremony is a yearly event to recognize students in academic, student affairs, co curricular activities and Leadership

Congratulations to all Students.

- 1) Form 5 Graduation - 15 November 2024.
- 2) SPI Prefectorial Passing Baton. Newly appointed Head Boy 2024/2025 and Council Members - 13 November 2024.

- 3) New Prefect Inauguration Ceremony - 31 July 2024.
- 4) Best Student Award - 13 November 2024.
- 5) National Level Best Character Ambassadors Award 2024 / 2025 - 28 November 2024.
- 6) Prefect Leadership Camp - 5 June 2024.
- 7) Best Class Decorations Award 2024 - Weekly.
- 8) Representatives for Children Rights 2024 - Office held from 2023 to 2025.

6. Finance & Welfare Committee

(i) Brother Felix Donohue Student Welfare Fund (BFD).

No payment was made in 2023 & 2024 although application was open to needy Form 6 Paulian students at Kolej Tingkatan Enam Forest Heights.

With the cessation of Form 6 classes in SPI, the C1970 donors that initiated the programme agreed to channel the fund to the needy and deserving Form 5 students.

(ii) Class 1978 Students Welfare Fund.

This was started by a group of generous donors from the Class of 1978. The objective was to provide monthly allowance to needy students in both SPI Secondary and Primary schools. A charity dinner at Lucky Palace was held on 25th June 2022 to raise additional funds.

In 2024, RM10,500 was disbursed to needy students in SPI Primary. However, no disbursement was made to SPI Secondary students as the previous funds were used by the Principal for the "Dana Kasih Sayang Food Coupons" program, which was not aligned with the donors' original intent. The funds were meant to support needy students in both SPI Primary and SPI Secondary, with Secondary students receiving RM100 per month and Primary students RM50 per month.

(iii) The ACVTF Ammal Chacko Vocational Trust Fund.

This was started by Mr John Chacko C1973 in honour of his mother, Ammal Chacko.

The signing ceremony was held on 3 April 2024. Signing on behalf of the donors were Mr. John Chacko and his daughter Ms. Janin Chacko. Signed on behalf of OPA was Mr. Steven Chan (OPA President) and Mr. Douglas Chan (OPA Vice-President). The signing was witnessed by Mr. Tan Kok Chin (OPA Hon. Secretary).

The ACVTF aims to assist underprivileged students of St. Paul's in pursuing vocational education. With a generous initial sponsorship of RM30,000.

Mr. Chacko has already enabled 15 students to study at JSJ College, Seremban.

His goal is to raise RM500,000 over the next 10 years.

Once again, Big Thank you, Mr. John Chacko, for your generosity and commitment in assisting weaker students in their academic education.

(iv) The LSCTSWF LSC Tertiary Students Welfare Fund.

This fund was generously donated by a Paulian. He has pledged his FD savings to OPA as Trustees with the settling up of LSCTSWF to assist students pursuing Tertiary education.

7. Technology & Multimedia

The OPA website, (<https://paulians.my>), as well as OPA Facebook (OPA SEREMBAN) were being updated to create a platform of communication for all Paulians of all ages.

One of the changes for the listing of members now has the year of leaving school. This will remove the ambiguity of the members with the same name but from different year groups. With the year group, life members list can be searched by "year group".

8. Building & Facilities Committee

Building maintenance, upgrading and upkeep of the premises in good condition has been carried out regularly.

1. The extension of roofing and electrical installations to the terrace area to provide for more usable and covered area has been completed.
2. A store annexed to the building has also been constructed for storage of tables, chairs and other bulky items.
3. With the storage of bulky items to the store, there is more usable space in the living area thus adding to enhanced ambience, ease and comfort.
4. A piano in good working condition with a complimentary contribution from a member stands noticeably in the living area for the pleasure of members who wish to play the piano.

ACTIVITIES @ PAULIAN HOUSE

Paulian House is the main venue for all management committee and planning meetings of OPA.

1. Gatherings and events or by the various year groups continue to be hosted at Paulian House.
2. The OPA cordially hosted at Paulian House, the monthly Breakfast event, and various joyous cultural celebrations and festivals like Deepavali, Christmas and Chinese Lunar New Year.
3. Paulian House continues to be the meeting point for many local and overseas members to touch base or even for a casual meet up.

9. Food and Beverages Matters Committee

OPA members can make a booking to use Paulian House through the Hon. Secretary. There is currently no fixed rental fees but members who book and use the Paulian House are encouraged to make a donation to OPA for the maintenance and cleaning services.

Some events held in 2024 were as follows: -

“OPA MOMENTS 2024” FLASHBACK & REMINISCENCE OF A YEAR FILLED WITH ACTIVITIES.

- 6/1/24: First OPA monthly fellowship breakfast – Paulians Bikers attended
- 27/1/24: Signing of LSCTSWF Trust Fund in support of Paulians Tertiary Education
- 28/1/24: OPA President's donation of RM8,000 to alumni association.
- 28/1/24: C71 Fellowship gathering at Paulian House
- 1/2/24: Press Conference in Paulian House on SPI Pri turning co-ed.
- 4/2/24: Completion of Paulian House Patio extension – ready for bigger events.
- 16/2/24: CNY 7th Day Lou Sang Gathering in Paulian House
- 6/3/24: OPA Donation of RM5,200 for Robotic Equipment to SPI Pri.
- 11/3/24: OPA Nanning and Guizhou China Trip.
- 30/3/24: OPA 98th Annual General Meeting in Paulian House.
- 3/4/24: Signing of ACVTF Trust Deed – a pledge of RM500,000 over 10 years to benefit Paulians in vocational learning.
- 6/4/24: St George Alumni Annual Dinner – OPA President awarded Georgian award by Deputy Education Minister
- 13/4/24: Opening & Blessing of St Paul's Statue by Archbishop Julian Leow.
- 15/4/24: Call on newly minted SPI Pri HM with C78 Student Welfare Fund Initiators.
- 4/5/24: OPA Fellowship Breakfast – Happy Birthday Ng Yee Tim
- 24/5/24: Fellowship & discussion with BFD Student Welfare Fund Donors.
- 19/6/24: Fellowship at Dato Sri Sri Padmaraja's residents with batch of C95.
- 26/4/24: Distribution of C78 Student Welfare Fund SPI Primary
- 13/7/24: LaSallian values & educational talk by ex-HM Mr. Hilary Sta Maria.
- 10/8/24: The Annual OPA/SPI Games Carnival 2024.
- 20/8/24: Donation of RM5,000 to OPA from YB Cha Kee Chin.
- 21/8/24: RSUC “Paída” Group's donation to OPA.
- 21/8/24: Signing of MOU with CMH Specialist Hospital.
- 25/8/24: Passing of OPA Pendant Flag to Dr Appasamy on a mission to Arctic Circle Marathon.

- 30/8/24: 98th OPA Annual Golf Tournament
- 6/9/24: Pre-OPA Annual Dinner Gathering with C70 hosted by Justice Lee S.K.
- 7/9/24: The 98th OPA Annual Reunion Dinner Commemorating St Paul 125th Dinner.
- 7/9/24: Donation from Dato Sim Keng Piao RM10,000 to SPI Secondary, RM10,000 to SPI Primary and RM5,000 to OPA
- 7/9/24: Donation of RM20,000 from Dato Seri Lee Tian Hock to OPA.
- 7/9/24: Tan Sri Dato Chan Choong Tak Award 2024, presented to Mas. Kiran Raj Saravanan.
- 15/9/24: St Andrew Alumni Association Annual Reunion Dinner – Muar.
- 16/9/24: Assumption School Alumni Association Annual Reunion Dinner – Butterworth.
- 17/9/24: Courtesy visit to Bro Anthony Rogers by OPA VP Mr Ng Yee Tim & Exco members.
- 18/9/24: 3 days Malec 9 Conference – hosted by St Xavier Penang.
- 21/9/24: Old Lasallian Association Annual Dinner - Petaling Jaya.
- 28/9/24: Old Michaelian Association Annual Dinner – Ipoh.
- 12/10/24: Xavierian Club Kuala Lumpur Annual Reunion Dinner – Kuala Lumpur.
- 19/10/24: St John's Institution 120th Anniversary
- 22/10/24: Donation of RM3,000 from YB Nicole Tan to OPA
- 31/10/24: Construction of storage room in Paulian House.
- 2/11/24: OPA Deepavali Celebration & presentation of OPA Scholastic Award to Dev Prsannan a/ Yohananthan.
- 2/11/24: Paulian Team reached Annapurna Base Camp.
- 15/11/24: Gordon Hall Scholarship distribution – SPI Primary
- 19/11/24: Donation of RM6,000 to support of SPI Pri Celestial classes - courtesy of Mr John Chacko
- 23/11/24: Gordon Hall Scholarship distribution - SPI Secondary
- 1/12/24: Old Xavierian 100th Anniversary Reunion Dinner – Penang.
- 14/12/24: Inaugural 1st OPA Open Badminton Championship
- 21/12/24: OPA Christmas Carols/Party 2024.
- 24/12/24: OPA "Paulian Arch" Project Groundbreaking ceremony.
- 28/12/24: MFOLSA Year End Christmas Celebration

10. Membership Committee

The Association had recruited 41 (2023:44,2022:63,2021:14) from Jan to Dec 2024. The number of members as at Dec 31, 2024 was 1132.

Kindly update the Association of any changes in member's address and contacts etc. via opa@paulians.my or to OPA Official HP +6011 6311 8189. Please add this number into your contacts and inform OPA to add you to the broadcast list. Send us your name and Year group/Staff for verification as Life members.

11. OPA's 98th Annual Reunion Dinner

As usual, the Annual Dinner was held on the first Saturday of September. The Annual Dinner was held on 7 September 2024 commemorating the 98th Annual Reunion Dinner of OPA and in conjunction with the 125th Anniversary of St. Paul's Institution, Seremban.

The event had 133 Tables of Paulians and guests with YB Cha Kee Chin and YB Nicole Tan as the Guests of Honour.

The 25th Year Group (Class of 1999) had 10 tables and 50th Year Group (Class of 1974) had 9 tables in attendance to celebrate their anniversary at the dinner.

Tan Sri Dato' Chan Choong Tak Award 2024 (Presented to the best all-rounder student of the year.) was presented at the Annual Reunion Dinner to Mas. Kiran Raj A/L Saravanan. The prize includes a Plaque, certificate and cash amount donated by the Late Tan Sri Dato' Chan Choong Tak's family. OPA Life membership is given to the winner after leaving school. Dato' Philip Chan (son of the Late Tan Sri Dato' Chan Choong Tak) made the presentation.

12. Malaysian Federation of La Sallian Alumni Associations ("The MFOLSA")

The Association sends representatives to annual dinners of other members of Malaysian Federation of LaSallian Alumni Associations ("MFOLSA") as well as to MFOLSA meetings regularly.

For the information of new members, MFOLSA was launched in 1976 by 5 Alumni Associations viz. Old Xavierians' Association Penang ("OXA"), Old Paulians' Association, Seremban ("OPA"), Old Georgians' Association, Taiping ("OGA"), Sacred Heart Old Students' Association, Sibul (SHOSA) and St. Joseph's Old Boys' Association, Kuching ("SJOBA").

Presently, there are 19 alumni associations in the MFOLSA. Besides the above mentioned, the others are: St. John's Alumni Association, Kuala Lumpur ("SJAA"), Old Michaelians' Association Ipoh ("OMA"), St Michael's Institution Alumni Association ("SMIAA"), St. Francis Association, Malacca ("SFA"), Franciscan Club – Kuala Lumpur ("FC-KL"), Xaverians' Club- Kuala Lumpur ("XC-KL"), La Salle Sentul, Kuala Lumpur ("LSSOBA"), St. Andreans' Association, Muar ("SAA"), Muar Andreans' Association, Kuala Lumpur ("MAA"), Old Lasallians' Association, Petaling Jaya ("OLAPJ"), Persatuan Alumni St. Anthony, Teluk Intan ("PASA"), Old Lasallians' Association Klang ("OLAK"), La Salle & Sacred Heart Kota Kinabalu ("LSSHKK"). Newcomer is Assumption Butterworth Alumni Association ("ABAA").

Inter LaSallian Games: SPI emerged as the Overall Champion of the games on 14/7/2018. The Champion was then tasked with the honour to host the next games. Due to restrictions and other issues, the Games were not held in 2023. It was scheduled to be held in 2024 but due to unforeseen circumstances, the Games were not able to be carried out.

The next Games are under planning to be hosted by SPI Secondary. Scheduled to be confirmed by MFOLSA.

13. Obituary (January 2024 - December 2024)

Our sincere condolences to the families of the following OPA Life members who passed away. List in sequence of Passing.

- Yan Wee Foong, Michael (C1969)
- Foong Chee Wai, Francis (C1961)
- Neo Chee Keong
- Bernard John, Kanny (C1979)
- Hui Chee Fatt (C1974)
- Tan Kim San, Lawrence (C1959)
- Balbir Singh A/L Peraim Singh (C1988)
- Ong Eng Thye, Andrew (C1982)
- Yong Meng Sang (C1971)
- Nathan P.S, Dato Dr.
- Elias Yeoh Eng Nam (Staff)
- Shah Rimah Rajah Bin Abdullah, Dato (C1987)
- Lee Siew Chow, Jude (C1954)
- Ng Ah Kong, Peter (1959)

Our sincere condolences also to our Life member's family:

- Christopher Tai Foo Siang's (C1988) beloved father the Late Tai Jip Kek @ Tai Min Pok.
- Danny Chooi Yew Tzen's (C1987) beloved father the Late Chooi Lam Khong (1946-2024) 78 years old.
- Dennis Yap Puay Kee's (C1975) beloved mother the Late Pua Siew Lan (1927-2024) 98 years old.

The following Life members' passing were informed by next of kin/other Paulians at a much later date and not listed in the respective year of passing.

- Liew Voon Yew, Michael
- Wong Meng Sean (C1969)
- Cheong Keng Kong
- Toh Boon Loong (C1981)
- P.R. Sen Gupta , Datuk Prof Dr.(C1953)
- Anish Kumar Roy, Dr.

In 2025 till March 16, 2025

- The Late Mr. Woo Thong (C1945), Life Member, father of Woo Yew Kong (former PIBG Chairman) and Yew Ming.
- The Late Miss Savariamah A/P Rayappan - Sister of Sawarimutthu Rayappan (C1969 - OPA Exco member).
- The Late Mr. Wong Nuan Kong, Stephen (C1955)- Life member.
- The Late Mr. Chinnappan s/o Kandasamy 86, years old, beloved father of Life members Ganesh, Captain Ramesh and Suresh Chinnappan.

14. Important Announcement

If your child has performed well in SPM (Minimum 7As) and STPM (Minimum 3A), please submit your application for the OPA's Scholastic Awards to the Association. The OPA member must be a member for at least one year to qualify to submit the application for their children. The application form can be downloaded from The Association's website, <https://paulians.my>.

Closing date to be announced, due to changes in examination schedule.

Statement by Executive Committee

We, the President, Hon General Secretary and Hon Treasurer, state that in our opinions, the financial statements set out on the following pages, are drawn up in accordance to the Societies Act 1966 so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Old Paulians' Association as at 31 December 2024



STEVEN CHAN WENG CHOY
President



TAN KOK CHIN
Honorary Secretary



DATO' LAI SEE MING
Honorary Treasurer

Statement By Internal Auditors

We, the internal auditors of the Old Paulians' Association have examined the financial statements set out on the following pages. We have also obtained all necessary information and explanation we required for our audit. In our opinion the financial statements set out on the following pages are, to the best of our knowledge and belief, correct and were properly drawn up to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Old Paulians' Association as at 31 December 2024.



MICHAEL THONG
Auditor

Date : 2/2/2025



A PARAMANANTHAM ARULANANDAM
Auditor

Date : 20/2/2025

	<u>2024</u> <u>RM</u>	<u>2023</u> <u>RM</u>
Receipts		
Ammal Chacko Vocational Trust Fund	36,000	-
Annual Dinner	172,117	178,320
BFD Student Welfare Fund	6,204	4,057
C78 Student Welfare Fund	13,742	12,094
Commemorative items -Sales	33,906	-
Donations Received	38,240	24,250
Indoor games collection	2,535	2,540
Interest Income	18,951	9,212
LSC Tertiary Students' Welfare Fund	10,000	-
OPA Education Fund	6,181	4,184
OPA Golf	29,140	17,075
Paulian Arch - Donation received	59,570	-
Paulian Sports Fund	-	170
Subscriptions	6,200	6,665
	<u>432,786</u>	<u>258,567</u>
Payments		
Affiliation fees	250	250
AGM Expenses	2,830	3,057
Ammal Chacko Vocational Trust Fund	36,000	-
Annual Dinner	116,345	106,885
Annual Scholastic Awards	600	1,000
Bank Charges	13	22
C78 Student Welfare Fund - Payment	10,518	27,000
Commemorative items	28,385	-
Entertainment	1,011	739
Festive Celebrations	10,833	2,613
Honoraria	12,000	7,200
Income Tax	42	7
Meeting Expenses	1,103	624
MFOLSA	1,000	-
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,445	2,327
Multimedia	3,557	2,616
OPA Golf	26,379	15,676
Paulian Arch - payment	66	-
Paulian House - Renovation, Furniture & Fittings	37,304	22,000
Paulian House - Upkeep & Maintenance	8,117	24,441
Postage	11	1,329
Printing and Stationery	680	485
Rates - Water & Electricity	3,357	2,449
Sponsorship - SPI	7,150	2,500
Sports & Games	5,823	3,415
Sports Development Fund - Hockey Fund	-	2,360
Travelling & Accommodation	2,833	1,837
Uniform	662	590
Wreaths	2,528	3,430
	<u>320,842</u>	<u>234,851</u>
Net Cashflow	111,944	23,716
Balance at beginning of year	907,030	883,314
Balance At End Of Year	<u>1,018,974</u>	<u>907,030</u>
Consisting Of :		
Cash in bank	1,018,974	907,030
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	<u>301,089</u>	<u>238,062</u>
Expenditure		
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Sports & Games	5,823	3,415
Travelling & Accommodation	2,833	1,837
Uniform	662	590
Wreaths	2,528	3,430
	<u>236,354</u>	<u>182,491</u>
Depreciation	3,307	2,919
Surplus of Income over Expenditure	<u>61,427</u>	<u>52,653</u>

Old Paulians' Association*Balance Sheet*
For The Year Ended 31 December 2024

	<u>2024</u> <u>RM</u>	<u>2023</u> <u>RM</u>
Fixed Assets		
Building	796,523	766,023
Furniture	11,687	9,865
Fittings	13,176	14,000
Office Equipment	4,903	2,404
	<u>826,289</u>	<u>792,292</u>
Current Assets		
Electricity Deposit	3,339	3,339
Water Deposit	1,790	1,790
Cash in bank	1,018,974	907,030
Cash in hand	-	-
	<u>1,024,103</u>	<u>912,159</u>
Current Liabilities		
BFD Student Welfare Fund	194,663	188,459
C78 Student Welfare Fund	102,183	98,960
LSCTSWF	10,000	-
Paulians' Hockey Fund	8,040	8,040
Paulian Arch	59,504	-
OPA Education Fund	198,932	193,351
	<u>573,323</u>	<u>488,810</u>
	<u>1,277,069</u>	<u>1,215,641</u>
Represented by		
Accumulated Fund	1,215,641	1,162,989
Surplus/Deficit for the year	61,427	52,653
	<u>1,277,069</u>	<u>1,215,641</u>

