

**OPASS Old Students Association of North America  
General Meeting, held Sunday February 8, 2015**

**In Attendance:**

- Robert Ampaw Henking
- Ben Awuah
- Doris Awuah
- Charles Appiah
- Bernard Modey
- Edith Abbew
- Evans Twum Danso
- Johnnie Amenyah
- Godfried Bugyei (Castro)
- Gifty Ofori
- Danso Okoampah
- Major Fred Twum
- Vida Somuah
- Edna Takyi
- Gina Abu
- Robesta Abeka
- Elsie Abu
- Jane Ampadu
- Norris Williams
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**Absent with Apologies**

- Samuel Quaye is off to Ghana for his brother's funeral

**Agenda**

1. opening prayer
2. previous minutes
3. mail / correspondence
4. account balance / updates
5. sick bay update
6. administrative changes at opass
7. 2015 reunion
8. 2015 elections
9. sports equipment update
10. open forum / ideas / comments

Meeting started at 9:23 by Mr. President

**Mail/Correspondence**

A check was received from Mr. Alex Boateng (\$220 dues and sick bay donation). Castro Paid his dues of \$100 to keep balance above \$3000

### **Account Balance**

Current account balance is \$3,220.32. The treasurer is not online yet and we will get updates from him later.

### **Sick Bay Updates**

About 80 pictures were recently circulated to all members providing an update.

The Project is about 95% completed. Nana Agyemang will be meeting with the contractor in the next week or two to complete the stones installation at the base of the building and the installation of a meter.

Stephen Oduro will be visiting Ghana soon and will be delivering a speech in the school. We are considering handing over the keys to the sick bay to the school. The headmaster is keen on beginning to use the facility. Earlier conversations with the Headmaster have already made it clear that the installation of the electricity meter and connection of power to the facility should be the responsibility of the school. It was agreed that as a condition for the initial handing over of the facility, the authorities should make sure the power and other utilities are connected to the sick bay.

Members are encouraged to look for a place where we can make an appropriate plaque for the building. Major will share the information

### **2015 Reunion**

This Year will be our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Memorial Day weekend, May23/24<sup>th</sup> 2015

Memorial Day is May 25<sup>th</sup>

Location: Silver Spring, Maryland.

DJ Bombay will keep the same rates from last year

Sunday Brunch will be at Vida Somuah's residence in Laurel Maryland

Now there is the need to keep the membership drive going and spread the news about the event.

Election of Officers: President and Vice President positions will be up for new elections. President cannot run again. Other Executive positions will be eligible to re-election

### **Donation of sports equipment**

2 barrels of equipment were sent. The packing list documenting everything in the barrels was also shared. Some items were reported missing from the barrels. A letter from the Headmaster detailing the losses has been shared with all members. We are following up with the shipper to see what can be done. It is very unlikely that we will be able to redeem the lost items. The cost of what is lost will be about \$83.00. If we can find additional resources to make good the losses, it will be possible to replace the lost items and also add a few Soccer and Volley balls that we were unable to send enough... Maybe about \$150.00 might be enough.

### **OPASS Updates**

The new Headmaster has taken post and is very pleased with our contributions.

**A.O.B**

We are planning to make 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary T-shirts. Ideas welcome. It was suggested that we should not raise funds with the T-shirts, but use that as a uniform for the celebrations of OPASS Alumni at 10. We should gather some more information on the cost of 50 T-shirts... A discussion led to the decision that we will have white T-shirts with blue writing and the OPASS emblem.

The next monthly meeting will be Sunday February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Bernard Modey moved for the closure and was seconded by Edith Abbeo. The meeting ended at 10:30

Prepared by Johnnie Amenyah  
Secretary