

SLOBA Annual General Meeting 2017
April 18, 2017

REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear St. Louis Old Boys,

The Council Members have gone through an action-filled year of 2016. A short summary of all actions in a glance:

- 1) SLOBA Operatives
 - a) Annual General Meeting and Dinner in January 2016;
 - b) Home Coming and SLOBA Exchange IV in January 2017;
 - c) Fr. Deane Achievement Award 2015-16 to outstanding students;
 - d) Table manner workshop in February 2016;
 - e) Career Sharing events in March, May and November, 2016;
 - f) Mentorship Program beginning February 2016;
 - g) Medical Link talks to students in January 2016;
 - h) Mock Examination interviews in July 2016;
 - i) Visit to Salesian 少懷之家

- 2) SPORTS Related Activities
 - a) Don Bosco Soccer Family Match, February 2016
 - b) Fu Tse Cup Table Tennis Match March 2016
 - c) Saturday Soccer in 5 weekends during the year;
 - d) Saturday Tennis over 2 weekends;
 - e) Squid Fishing Night Outing
 - f) Salesian Federation Soccer Match (足球閃電盃) in November 2016;
 - g) Soccer Match with St. Paul's College celebrating their 165th Anniversary;
 - h) 慈幼足球機邀請賽;
 - i) Friendly Table-tennis match Primary

- 3) Anniversary Dinners
 - a) The 60th Anniversary of the 1956 Graduates
 - b) The 50th Anniversary of the 1966 Graduates
 - c) The 40th Anniversary of the 1976 Graduates
 - d) The 30th Anniversary of the 1986 Graduates

- 4) Special Projects
 - a) Clergymen Care Team
 - b) Students Study Group for S4, S5 and S6
 - c) SL90 Conservation Project of Fr. Bogadek's research works in Biology
 - d) Election for the St. Louis School Alumni Manager
 - e) Formation of Fr. Deane's Chapter

f) Co-sponsoring the 90th Anniversary Commemorative Publication of St. Louis School

The list above speaks of the various projects and continuous actions SLOBA commits to serve the Old Boys; the School and our future old boys; as well as the decent care to our beloved clergymen and individuals, whose devoted love to the school where we were raised.

As the number of St. Louis old boys increases over the decades, a demand of different modes of communication has been heard. Actually several active societies-like groups were formed for quite some time. SLOBA would have to keep up with the modern pace and technology to ensure flawless exchange of views and care. We have Facebook pages, as well as official website to distribute news and share of actions. In the coming year we shall be introducing mobile Applications to coordinate and keeping up with individual members.

SLOBA and its Council members would have quickly responded to the few major changes in the School. We welcome the appointment of the new Supervisor and the transfer of the principal, consequent to the departure of the immediate past Supervisor and the resignation of the principal. We offered in no time SLOBA's commitment and supports to the School in different dimensions. These have been working considerably smooth despite the short time involved.

I wish to welcome Fr. Matthew Chan, the Supervisor of the School, who has kindly accepted our invitation to the Spiritual Advisor of SLOBA. We have also invited the Principal, Mr. Peter Yu to take up the position of the School Affairs Advisor, and he kindly accepted.

A few milestones to note:

1. The formation of the "Conservation of Fr. Bogadek's research works in Biology", and this will be in line with the display of St. Louis School's infamous works and achievement in Biology. In responding to a tragic loss of valuable and scarce Biological specimens, those heavily indulged old boys and teachers quickly vowed to claim a mission to bring back the hidden achievement and historic treasures right in the School. A showcase of the research works Fr. Bogadek and his students will be displayed during the St. Louis School 90th anniversary. In line with the restoration, a proposal to upgrade and modernize the existing Biology Laboratory is underway.
2. A derivation from the FDAA annual events, some senior decent old boys help kicked off a Student Study Plan to provide room and guidance to students of St. Louis School. Students from S5 and S4, who face problem in meeting study targets and who may have no room and space to complete their studies and home-works after school, can join the Plan. The School is so kind to make classrooms available, and the seniors will meet the students at the classroom. Assistance in understanding the homework and problems during classes can be sought during the Studies Group time. Devoted

teachers of specific subjects are available at scheduled dates to help students solve questions. The Plan is to arouse the alertness of students who may be short of space, motives, and time to better prepare their studies towards the DSE and internal examinations. Every student and his parents enter into a Student Enrolment and Pledge with the Teacher in charge, and the Old Boys in charge. Their learning experience will be put into the Program Summary for the Student and Parents to review. We have plans that the Student Study Plan can be expanded and extends to any student with a need from S1 to S6.

3. A group of dedicated teachers and old boys are working on a publication to commemorate the 90th Anniversary of St. Louis School, under the patronage of the School. The bilingual book, to be published by the School and co-sponsored by SLOBA and "Friends of St. Louis" will contain a rich collection of carefully researched history of the School, archived materials, reminiscences of Salesians, teachers, and outstanding old boys. SLOBA has committed to provide resources to make the publication that will turn out to be a highly valued collection of documents for all who cherish the memories of the School, the heritage, tradition, and achievements in its 90 years of history.
4. A team of 1986 old boys with healthcare knowledge started a Clergymen Care Program during the last two years. The team would plan and announce visit schedules to the Clergymen's living room in the School, normally over Saturday afternoons. They would share their chats over afternoon teatime with snacks and other items the visitors would bring. And the more important purpose is to casually check on the health situation of the priests lodging in the School. The subject has now turned into open requests from old boys of different years to organize and visit the clergymen.
5. To provide necessities in dealing with the increasing demand of supports to the School in multiple directions, old boys are planning to create, under the SLOBA administration, a more resourceful and experienced team to channel the best efforts into a long-term sustainable model, by pooling resources and broadening the scope of old boys' involvement to benefit students across the spectrum of learning abilities. The ultimate goal is to motivate enough students to pursue excellence in their studies and thereby maintain the School's ranking as one of the top secondary schools in Hong Kong. To achieve this, the goal is also to fundamentally improve the general environment in the School, in the foreseeable future. The old boys are considering naming this: The Fr. Deane's Chapter.
6. House-keeping

- a. The SLOBA office has been relocated since January 2017. The Council considers reduced occupancy expenditure will save funding for better alternatives for the old boys members and the School functions.
- b. The election of a succeeding Alumni Manager for the School IMC will be taken place during the first half of 2018, following the retiring of the current Alumni Manager who has served for his two-year term.
- c. To cope with modern communication methods and the different devices available, which are generally very efficient and reliable, the Council proposed an alternative notice of meetings, and council meetings mode for the Members to vote at the General Meeting.
- d. The Council is also reviewing different options in mobile Applications that could be used in addition to current mode of communications among SLOBA members and the old boys at large. Further details will be made available when the Council has completed the search and study.

My term, as President of SLOBA, will come to an end. As a good tradition of the old boys, a new council with experienced professionals and decent old boys will be elected to lead the Association, and to continue our cherish for the School and the Alumni brotherhood. The challenges ahead for the new council will be immense and complicated. And I have complete confidence in the ability and integrity of every individual in the nominated council you will be voting for.

Thank you, with my best wishes, to all old boys and your families, and to our Alma mater.

John Po

Po Kam Hi, John (1974)

SLOBA President

Appendix:

SLOBA 2016-2017 Council

Spiritual Advisor:	Rev. Fr. Matthew Chan Hung Kei, Supervisor, SLS
School Affairs Advisor:	Mr. Peter Yu Lap Fun, Principal, SLS
President:	John Po Kam Hi (1974)
Vice President:	Dr. Stanley Lo Hok King (1984)
Honorary Secretary:	Ivan Shiu Kwun Tak (2004)
Honorary Treasurer:	Jason Ho Wei Kit (2001)
Liaison Officer:	Allen Chan Ka Lun (1982)
Sports Officer:	Dr. Clive Fung Kin Yue (1983)
Welfare Officer:	Dominic Leung Man Chung (1993)
Education Officer:	David Tam Tai Wai (2003)
Directors:	Dr. Dominic Yeung Ying Nam (1966) Dominic Sham Heung Kuen (1977) Thomas Leung Tze Wong (1976) Teddy Kwong Tat Tak (1982) Melthon Wong Wing Chee (1993) Solomon Leung Kwun Chun (2008)
Co-operating Member:	Wong Chun Hei (2012) Pang Hok Wai (2013)

SL90 Conservation Project of Fr. Bogadek's Research Works in Biology

Principal Consultant:	Fr. Anthony Bogadek
Project Manager:	Dr. Clive Fung Kin Yue (1983)
Teacher-in-charge:	Mr. Patrick Chan, Biology Teacher, (2001)
Technical Consultants:	Dr. Michael Lau Wai Neng (1980) Professor Dr. Raphael Chan Chiu Yeung (1969)
Resources Team:	Lo Chi Wing, Vice Principal

Patrick Pak (1969)	Allen Chan (1982)
Alex Wong (1969)	Winson Kam (1987)
John Wong (1962)	Ricky Cheung (1992)

St. Louis School 90th Anniversary Commemorative Publication

Chairman: Po Kam Hi, John (1974)
Chief Editor: Lui Yiu Sun, Chinese Teacher, (2002)

Committee Team:

Cheung Sau Chu, Chinese Teacher	Chan Tin Fu, Paul (1961)
Chan Man Ying, English Teacher	Ng Kwok Hon (1962)
Wong Po Lung, John (1962)	Kwong Tze Hea , Patrick (1968)
Pak Yiu Charn, Patrick (1969)	Wong Tat Pui, Alex (1969)
Cheng Wai Man, Clement (1976)	Chan Ka Lun (1982)
Sit Yick Hey, Calvin (2002)	Ho Sheung Yu (2006)
Chang Wai Ming, Simpson (2005)	

The Alumni Manager of the IMC (2016-2018)

Pak Yiu Charn, Patrick (1969)

The Clergymen Care Team

Dr. Stanley Lo (1984)	Allen Chan (1982)
Albert Yiu (1984)	Augustine Lo (1982)
Dr. James KP Lee (1981)	Kayson Chan (1986)
Billy Tang (1986)	Ken Kwan (1986)
Peter To (1986)	Rocky Wong (1986)
Simon Tang (1986)	Winson Kam (1987)
Andrew Yuen (1990)	Steven So Ho Yin (2001), Teacher
