ANNUAL REPORT (February 1, 2012 to January 31, 2013)

SRI LANKA ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

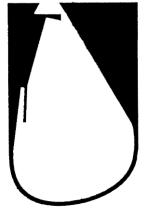
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> AND Its affiliate

SRI LANKA ASSOCIATION OF GREATER WASHINGTON, INC.

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March 9, 2013

Dear Members,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I invite you to the 38th Annual General Meeting of the SLAWDC, on Saturday March 9th 2013 for the official handing over of the office to the succeeding president and the new Board of Directors.

It has been an honor and joy to have served as president for the last two years. I had the opportunity to serve fellow Sri Lankans in the Washington DC metro area, interact with the Sri Lankan Embassy and to work closely with the larger community in our area.

Through 2011 and 2012 we were able to organize many new events and embark on new initiatives. During this journey, I was able to connect with many individuals and families in the area. It was also a time to observe and admire the many new organizations and activities done by our larger community towards a united Sri Lankan expatriate population. It made me realize as Sri Lankans, no matter the religion or socio economic status, we are at heart one community that take pride on our heritage and our roots.

The last year has been a challenging one in a personal level as well as in an organizational level. We worked together as a board to create an organization that had a strong base to move forward. We observed, collaborated and supported our larger community events. We have realized in this year that working together instead of individual units, created vibrant activities to enhance our own culture in the eyes of the larger Washington DC population. After all, we all function as ambassadors to our mother land.

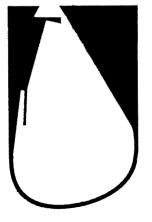
I extend my sincere thanks to the board who came together to achieve our goals, to work hard on creating successful events for the membership and who gave up their precious time with families to dedicate their efforts for the betterment of SLAWDC. On behalf of my board directors, I like to thank our past presidents, all community leaders, members and friends for your consistent support. Your dedication makes this organization move forward year after year.

As I step down this year, I wish the new board every success. I am confident we are looking forward to a brighter future with the guidance of the new president

Thank you

Roy Braine President 2011-2012

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NOTICE OF THE 38th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 38th Annual General Meeting of the Sri Lanka Association of Washington DC., and its tax exempt affiliate, the Sri Lanka Association of Greater Washington, Inc., will be held on March 9 commencing at 11:30 a.m., at Argyle Local Park.

AGENDA

Marhc 9, 2013

- 1. Adoption of the Agenda and the Notice to convene the 38th Annual General Meeting of the Association.
- 2. Adoption of the Minutes of the 37th Annual General Meeting of the Association held on March 31, 2012
- 3. Adoption of the Annual Report and the Statement of Accounts of the Association for the year ending January 31, 2013
- 4. President's Address
- 5. Election of the Board of Directors for 2013/2014. Members may nominate candidates from the floor at this meeting in accordance with the procedures of Article VII (B) of the constitution
- 6. Election of the President
- 7. Election of the honorary auditor
- 8. Address from the incoming President
- 9. Any other business
- 10. Adjournment

Election Committee Report

To:	The Board of Directors, Sri Lanka Association of Washington DC
From:	Election Committee
Subject:	Nominations for the election of Board Members at the Annual General Meeting
	on March 9, 2013

The undersigned members of the election committee received the following nominations for the election of the Board of Directors postmarked by February 11, 2013

The committee verified that the under noted candidates, proposes & secondars have satisfied the provisions in the Article III (b) and Article III (g) of its by-laws.

President:	Suraj Navaratne (auto succession)
President Elect:	Vacant
Secretary:	Sandra Ismail
	Proposed by: Anjalika Silva
	Seconded by: Hyacinth Wickramanayake
Asst: Secretary:	Kamini Wickramaratne
	Proposed by: Sandra Sourjah (proxy vote)
	Seconded by: Roy Braine
Treasurer (SLAWDC):	Dinesh Jayasundera
	Proposed by: Suraj Navratne
	Seconded by: Roy Braine
Treasurer (SLAGW):	Vacant

Directors	

Proposed by

Seconded by

Ramani Napoli Indika Attanayake Ajith Pushpakumar Vacant Vacant Vacant

Sandra Ismail Suraj Navaratne Kamini Wickramaratne Kamini Wickramaratne Upul Abeywarna Roy Braine

Signed

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See signed original.

MINUTES OF THE 37th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SRI LANKA ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON, D.C., (SLAWDC) AND THE SRI LANKA ASSOCIATION OF GREATER WASHINGTON, INC., (SLAWDC) HELD SATURDAY, MARCH 31, 2012

The 37th Annual General Meeting of the Sri Lanka Association of Washington, D.C., (SLAWDC) and its tax exempt affiliate, Sri Lanka Association of Greater Washington, Inc., (SLAGW) was held on Saturday, March 31, 2012 at the Argyle Park Activity Centre, 1030 Forest Glen Road, Silver Spring, Maryland, with President Roy Braine in the Chair. Associated with the President in conducting the meeting was Secretary Sandra Ismail.

With a quorum of 21 out of the 62 members the 38th Annual General Meeting was called to order at 11:55am.

President, Roy Braine welcomed everyone to the 38th Annual General Meeting of The Sri Lanka Association of Washington, D.C., (SLAWDC) and The Sri Lanka Association of Greater Washington, Inc., (SLAGW).

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<u>Adoption of the Agenda and the Notice convening the 37th Annual General Meeting of the Association</u>

The Agenda and Notice convening the 37th Annual General Meeting was adopted as in order: Proposed by Mr. Edward Peries and seconded by Mr. Dakshi De Silva.

Adoption of Minutes of the 37th Annual General Meeting of the Association held on March 31, 2012

The Minutes were proposed by Mrs. Mrs. Surangani Salgado and seconded by Mrs. Nelum Basnayake.

Adoption of the Annual Report and the Statement of Accounts of the Association for the year ending January 31, 2012

President stated that there was a discrepancy of \$2000 carried forward since 2005 where a donation was made by Mr. Raj-Barr Kumar in favor of Royal College. He stated that there is no paper trail or documentation regarding this transaction. He further stated that Mr. Raj-Barr Kumar had just sent the information whereby \$500 was sent to Royal College. Mr. Dahanaike informed that the Tax Exemption form was already issued to Mr. Raj-Barr Kumar towards this donation, therefore the money cannot be returned to him. The funds will be transferred directly to Royal College if Mr. Kumar requests it.

Mr. Lasantha Dahanaike pointed out that the Statement of Accounts for 2011 have still not been adopted, and the Minutes for 2011 are incorrect. He inquired from Treasurer, Mrs. Gothami Gunasekera with regards to 2011 accounts which was supposed to be corrected and sent to the

Membership after the AGM. After a discussion the Statement of Accounts for 2011 was adopted.

Thereafter the 2010/2011 accounts were proposed by Mr. Dakshi De Silva and seconded by Mr. Bernard Wickramanayake

President's Address:

Vice patron, past presidents, immediate past presidents, fellow members and friends

Thank you all for taking time out of your busy schedule to be here with us at the 37th AGM of your association, I would like to thank the election committee for conducting the elections.

My dear fellow members, I would like to start by saying this will be a very short speech. The state of the association has to be looked at in a very detailed manner during this AGM.

The past year we did many different initiatives to promote the organization and bring it to the forefront of the Sri Lankan community. We were very successful in some while others were a challenge. The New Year Dinner dance was an immense success. As I had mentioned in my last speech, the focus of the association in the past year was to bring revenue to our SLAWDC accounts. We were in deep financial trouble last year. This year, due to the tremendous workd done by the treasurer and the board, we have a very positive balance to move forward.

However through the activities of the past year, the board has realized the support from the general membership has not been there. We felt that the overall community did not support the organization fully. This in turn has been a challenge in two folds. The activities we organized were attended mainly by non-paying members. As a direct result of this, we have been negatively affected concerning our finances. The association spends the money however due to a lack of payment of the membership dues we have not seen a consistent income.

Due to personal family reasons, it will be hard for me to move forward to continue being the president. I personally feel that I cannot commit fully to responsibilities involved in being the president of this great association. This coming year will involve a lot of traveling as well as other family obligations that will take most of my time.

I ask all of you, especially the past presidents, to be more actively involved with the association. And also to give support, both in guidance from your expertise in the past and in ways to move the association forward to actively involve the larger Sri Lankan population in Washington DC

Thanks you

The President informed that since he was stepping down as the President, the meeting will continue as a Special General Meeting.

The Secretary informed that the current board was stepping down, and there were no other nominations. Therefore, it was up to the Membership to decide how to move forward with the election of the new committee.

Mr. Sena Basnayake inquired as to why this decision was made by the directors.

The Secretary informed those present that the lack of participation and enthusiasm no longer exists. it has been an arduous task organizing events, due to the fact that unlike in the past, there are many other organizations that have mushroomed, and these organizations have their own agenda and events. As an example she stated that there are several dinner dances throughout the year, and when it comes to organizing SLAWDC's main event which is the New years Gala, we now run in to losses due to lack of participation and sponsorship. She stated that it is the same with the Cricket tournament, and it has come to a point where the Directors have to beg and plead with the community/membership to attend these events. She further stated that it is impossible to keep up with the mission of the Organization to help with charities since there are no funds coming in.

After much deliberation and discussion, the membership requested from the current board to continue with the organization until a decision is made. Thereafter the board volunteered to remain in the following positions for 2012, and a President Elect was nominated.

President -	Mr. Roy Braine
President Elect-	Mr. Suraj Navaratne
	Proposed by Mr. Sena Basnayake
	Seconded by Mr. Bernard Wickramanayake
Secretary -	Sandra Ismail
Assistant Secretary-	Ms. Kamini Wickramaratne
Treasurer-SLAWDC	Mrs. Gothami Gunasekera
Directors (5)	Mr. Lasitha Gunawardena Mr. Upul Abeywarna

Mr. Ajith Pushpakumara

Mr. Dakshi De Silva was nominated as honorary auditor, and the following were nominated to the Advisory board: Mr. Dakshi De Silva, Mr. Lasantha Dahanaike, Mr. Sena Basnayake, Mr. Edward Peries and Mrs. Surangani Salgado.

Mr. Dakshi De Silva thanked the President and the board for continuing their work in spite of all the difficulties, and wished the board all the very best.

The meeting concluded at 1:30pm.

THE SRI LANKA ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON D.C., (SLAWDC)

ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 2012 TO JANUARY 31, 2013

THE SRI LANKA ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON, D.C., (SLAWDC) ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 2012 TO JANUARY 31, 2013

The Board of Directors is pleased to present the following Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Association of Washington, DC (SLAWDC)

Patron

Ambassador of Sri Lanka to the United States, His Excellency Jaliya Wickramasuriya

Vice Patrons

Dr. Greg Fernandopulle and Mrs. Anjalika Silva

Sustaining Members

The following are recognized by the Board as Sustaining Members, who continue to pay annual dues, regardless of their Honorary or Life member status:

Dr. & Mrs. Raj & Deepika Barr-Kumar Dr. & Mrs. Hilarian & Sheila Codippily Mr. Edward Peries

Life Members

- 1. ABEYEGOONEWARDENE, Clement & Anastasia
- 2. ABEYWICKRAMA, Kenneth & Bernadette
- 3. AMERASINGHE, Dr. Ranjan & Wimala
- 4. BADDELIYANAGE, Don & Mangala
- 5. BADDELIYANAGE, Ravi & Nadira
- 6. BARR-KUMAR, Dr. Raj & Deepika
- 7. BASNAYAKE, Sena & Nelum
- 8. BUDDHADASA, Harsha
- 9. CODIPPILY, Dr. Hilarian & Sheila
- 10. DAHANAIKE, Lasantha & Chathurika
- 11. DE FONSEKA, Dr. Kamal & Tara
- 12. DE SILVA, Dakshi & Romanie
- 13. DE ZOYSA, Rani
- 14. DON, Milroy
- 15. FERNANDOPULLE, Dr. Greg & Sulocha
- 16. FERNANDO, Vijitha & Sarla

17. FONSEKA, Lalin & Ranmalee 18. GOONEWARDENE, Nihal & Crystal 19. GUNASEKERA, Ronald 20. HAPANGAMA, Ratna & Anoma 21. HERATH, Saliya 22. KARUNARATNE, Shantha & Saman 23. KURUPPU, Terrance & Ranjini 24. LENORA, Nihal & Pradipa 25. LOOS, Janine 26. MAHMOOTH, Rizmy & Sharmaleen 27. MOTHA, Guy & Cecilia 28. MCCOY, Billie 29. MIRCHANDANI, Chandru & Yolette 30. MUSHIN, Mohamed & Sithy 31. NANAYAKKARA, Jim & Badhra 32. NANAYAKKARA, Iroshana & Shayami 33. PADMAKUMARA, Hiru 34. PERERA, Alex 35. PERERA, Cecil & Therese

- 36. PERERA, Srilal & Yaeko
- 37. PERIES, Edward & Anna
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- 42. RANGANATHAN, A.
- 43. RUDRAN, Dr. Rudy & Ranji
- 44. SALGADO, Dr. Ranjith & Surangani
- 45. SALGADO, Ranil

Members

- 1 ABEYWARNA, Upul & Dilini
- 2 BRAINE, Roy & Shannon
- 3 ISMAIL, Shane & Sandra
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- 51. VITHANAGE, Charmini
- 52. WIJETILLEKE, Lakdasa & Padmini
- 53. WIRATUNGA, Ranjith & Christine

Membership

The Association announces a membership of 21 single and family dues paying members, **53** life memberships and 1 honorary life member

Finances

SLAWDC ended its financial year with a balance of \$ 4,085. (See Statement of Accounts)

Annual General Meeting

The following office bearers were elected to serve on the Board for 2012/2013 at the Annual General Meeting held on Saturday, March 31, 2012.

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Treasurer-SLGW	Open
Directors (6)	Mr. Upul Abeywarna
	Mr. Lasitha Gunawardena
	Mr. Ajith Pushpakumara
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Honorary Auditor for 2012/2013

Mr. Dakshi de Silva was appointed Honorary Auditor of the Association for 2012/2013

Board Meetings for 2012/2013

The Board had 4 regular meetings during the year 2013/2013

Resignations:

Mr. Lasitha Gunawardena - board member tendered his resignation in June 1, 2012 due to personal reasons.

Ms. Gothami Gunasekara – Treasurer tendered her resignation October 1, 2012 due to personal reasons

Reports from Events Held During The Year 2012/2013

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Sinhala and Tamil New Year Celebrations – 2012

SLAWDC celebrated the Sinhala and Tamil New Year with over 60 members of the community present.

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After the lighting of the traditional oil lamp by our distinguished guests and singing of the National Anthem the Maha Sangha inaugurated the event with their blessings followed by prayers by representatives of the Hindu, Muslim and Christian religious groups. The outdoor games were followed by the traditional food offered made by the SLAWDC Board.

Cricket Tournament 2012

The NY v. DC cricket match was played in Denville, New Jersey. This annual events was held in conjunction with the Sri Lanka Day organized by the Sri Lanka Association of New York.

For the second year in a row Lankan Lions representing SLAWDC brought back the trophy to DC.

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Our spouses and families;

Conclusion:

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Governance

The Board of Directors of the Sri Lanka Association of Washington, D.C. (SLAWDC), duly elected at the 37th Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on Saturday, March 31, 2012 provides the overall guidance, stewardship, and management to SLAGW. As the affiliate organization of SLAWDC, responsible for its humanitarian, charitable and educational activities, SLAGW receives support from the parent organization in carrying out the mandate granted by its members. The Board held seven meetings during the course of the year.

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