



Old Felstedian Society

AGM 2019

A summary of the 115th Annual General Meeting held at The Old School House, Felsted School
Saturday 4 May 2019, 10:30am

OFS Committee Structure and Rules

The announcement notifying changes to the OF Society Committee structure and rules was published in the OF Newsletter and on the website in March 2019. The changes proposed to the OFS Committee Structure were voted for by the committee and carried unanimously. **The rule change was successfully approved.** A special thank you was made to those members who had served for more than seven years and were now stepping down from the committee due to the rule changes. The next step will be to recruit ambassadors, some of whom will sit on the committee.

OFS Committee Members: Auditor, Members & Officers

Julian Scofield, James Willington and Chris Maitland were re-elected for a further year as Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Auditor respectively. Frances Marshall, Former Common Room, was successfully voted onto the committee as a new member. Brian Lott (OFS President) thanked the officers for their continued support over the past year.

Report and Accounts for the Year ended 31 March 2019

The Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2019 and the Balance Sheet at that date, having been audited, were submitted for approval. Michael Yeatts noted that the overall investments have grown by £30k. Investment management company *Charles Stanley* manages the fund on a discretionary basis and it shows a surplus income of £23k this year which is an anomaly due to sales of some investments. A total of £20k has been given to the school to support the purchase of a new database, Raiser's Edge NXT.

Felsted School Mission

A copy of the Felsted School Mission report was circulated. The link between the school and the Mission remains strong and Rev Dave Chesney will be leading a few services at the school in the summer term.

Highlights from Felsted School

Headmaster's Update: Chris Townsend

A new teaching and learning centre at the senior school is proposed and a formal answer from the council planning department is expected by the end of June. At the end of March the school received an Educational Quality Inspection from ISI (the independent schools' inspectorate) and the outcome was very positive. The full details will be published later in May.

OF Office: Selina Joslin

The OF survey in October provided insightful feedback and helped reaffirm the OFS committee structure and rule changes. The transfer over to the Raiser's Edge NXT database will have many benefits including a new online portal for OFs to update contact details and embedded payments for events on the website.

School Development: Richard Salmon

The school facilities are used throughout the year and the summer school is larger than ever before as it will now be running over a six-week period this year. A variety of commercial income streams, along with philanthropy, remains vital.

The meeting finished at 11:30am. The accounts are available for anyone who wants to inspect them via the OF Office (ofs@felsted.org / +44(0)1371 822645).