



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	11	2015		30	10	2016

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name PRINCE OF WALES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (UK & EIRE)

Other names charity is known by POWAA-UK

Registered charity number (if any) 1158526

Charity's principal address 10 ST SWITHIND COTTAGES

HOWE GREEN

CHELMSFORD

Postcode CM2 7TN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	MR KHADIRU HADIRR MAHDI	PRESIDENT & PASTORAL OFFICER		
2	MR IAN LUKE-MACAULEY	VICE PRESIDENT & ASST. TREASURER		
3	MR IVOR CUMMINGS-JOHN			
4	MR SAM EDWARD ROBBIN-COKER			
5	DR ALEX FESTUS JONATHAN BLANSHARD	DIRECTOR OF FUNDING		
6	DR KAYODE ROBBIN-COKER			
7	MR EUGENE GERARD BENJAMIN	GENERAL SECRETARY		
8	MR SETON AUBREY ROSSANO DURING			
9	MR PATRICK DIXON	TREASURER		
10	MR ROWLAND CHIKEZIE DAVIES	MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY		
11	MR SAMUEL ISAAC YARAMEA CONTEH			
12	MR N. EMILE AKABI-DAVIS			

13	MR WILFRED ISAAC CHARLES MACFOY			
14	MR YVES THOMAS	ORGANISING SECRETARY		
15	PASTOR DUDLEY HANCILES	PASTORAL OFFICER		
16	MR BRIAN OLUFEMI JONES	ORGANISING SECRETARY		
17	MR DENNIS LLOYD SYLVANUS BABIN	MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CONSTITUTION
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the AGM held in October.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

There is a safeguarding policy in place. POWAA does not employ staff but carries out appropriate suitability checks prior to the commencement of trusteeship.

POWAA is a member of the National Council for Voluntary Organisation (NCVO) and a founding member of the Sierra Leone Diaspora Education Forum (SLEDEF).

POWAA also works in partnership with the other alumni branches in Sierra Leone and the United States, and it is represented on the global Princewaleans umbrella committee which has a rotating chairmanship among the constituent branches/chapters.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefits.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The CIO is established for charitable purposes only, to advance the education of the pupils of the Prince of Wales School, Sierra Leone, in particular but not exclusively, by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities for education at the school.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The principal activities of POWAA are the provision of educational support to the pupils and staff of the Prince of Wales School; working collaboratively as a member of the global partnership of Prince of Wales Alumni associations to improve educational outcomes of the pupils of the school; leading the development of SLEDEF to improve the educational provision for the people of Sierra Leone.

The trustees and executive committee have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on the public benefit when planning the activities of POWAA.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

President's Report 2015-16

It is with great pleasure that I present the Prince of Wales Alumni Association's Annual Report 2015-16. I do so with a deep sense of gratitude to the many supporters of the association; patrons, donors, sponsors and well-wishers. Special thanks to POWAA UK members and the wider Princewaleans family in the UK and Ireland for their various forms of support.

In order to fulfil the POWAA UK's objectives to improve educational opportunities for present and future pupils of the Prince of Wales School, the association largely depends on its fundraising activities.

Fundraising Events

The year's activities kicked off with a successful **Skool Daze** in November 2015, an event that is growing in popularity and seems to be catching the right pre-festive seasonal spirit. There was an impressive turnout of people in their various school colours. We look forward to a bigger and better event in November 2016.

In April 2016, the flagship annual **Dinner and Dance** was a huge success. We learnt lessons from the previous year and sacrificed increased financial returns for a better customer service and experience. It was a great atmosphere and the positive feedback vindicated our approach and indicated that the event was good value for money which enhanced our reputation and bode well for the next Dinner and Dance.

The **Thanksgiving Service** in May 2016 broke new ground with a weekend trip to Manchester. A sizeable group of members and supporters, including a contingent of FSSGians, made the journey. The Manchester planning group of Princewaleans rose to the challenge and laid out an impressive 'meet and greet' social evening followed by a memorable day of worship at St. Luke's Church and the Salaam Mosque. Sylvester During, Desmond James, Dr Mohamed Kamara and Abu Koroma deserve a special mention. Thanks also to Victoria Mambo in Manchester and Binti Dixon from London for organising the hall and refreshments for the reception. The Pastoral team did a fantastic job ably supported by Syl Zack-Williams and Dr Kayode Robbin-Coker who handled the logistics of the coach and hotel bookings.

Despite all we asked of our patrons that weekend, they were still very generous in their giving, with donations exceeding £1,600. We give thanks to the Lord for his favours.

Pastoral

In addition to the Thanksgiving Service, the pastoral officers discharged the association's pastoral duties diligently, particularly when individual members needed our fellowship most. Thanks to Revd. Dudley Hancilles for his spiritual leadership and guidance and to Ian Luke-Macauley for deputising when necessary.

The 2015 AGM decision to boost the Association's **Benevolent Fund** from members' subscriptions and donations seemed prescient given the events during the year. In 2016-17, the Trustees will bring recommendations to the general membership to codify the principles, criteria and application of the Benevolent Fund.

I applaud Rowland Davies (Chiks) and Ola Asgill for their dedication in planning and promoting the **Summer Fest, Badminton and Golf** events. Summer Fest and Golf, in particular, have the potential to become significant and rewarding fundraising events in the Summer calendar but yet again this year the efforts of the organisers were not matched by members. We need to do much more to realise the potential of these activities.

POWAA UK's fundraising events would not have been successful without the hard work of the Organising Committee led by Yves Thomas and Femi Jones. Also, the contribution of the good quality of our promotional material to our success should not be underestimated. Thanks to Yves, our appointed resident printer.

The sale of **merchandise** has been steady. It is always a pleasure to see the school colours being worn with pride by Princewaleans at every function. Mr FGO Bright, merchandise guru, continues to set the pace with sale of blazers, ties and bow ties but Patrick Dixon and Remmie Akibo-Betts are hot on his heels with T-shirts, lapel pins and caps. Well done gentlemen!

An addition to our monthly General meetings or revival of an old tradition was the **health focus** in July 2016. Members received very enlightened presentations from two General Medical practitioners, both Princewaleans. Dr Willie Morgan gave a talk on male sexual health and Dr Ethan Harris-Faulkner covered hypertension followed by a question and answer session. I hope this trend will continue.

GLC collaboration

The Global Leadership Committee held a successful international conference call meeting in January 2016 attended by all the chapters including a Freetown representative. All constituent chapters agreed the principles for support and release of funds for the Assembly Hall project and the need to embark on the Science Block project. It was decided that Atlanta Georgia's funds would be released to speed up the project and others would follow when required. POWAA UK set aside an equivalent of \$7,000 and an additional \$2,000 to be released on behalf of the California branch.

We continue to benefit from the pro bono professional advice provided by TEDA, a firm of architects and engineers led by two Princewaleans, Alpha Tejan-Jalloh and Gibril Koroma.

Direct Support to the Prince of Wales School

- Shipped books donated by Mrs Jenny Blanshard
- Christmas bonus to the two principals, all teachers and ancillary staff
- Committed \$9,000 to the refurbishment of the Assembly Hall
- Visit by Alex Blanshard to the school during which he interviewed blind students about their experience in the school. This resulted in a vivid and moving presentation at the Dinner and Dance (thanks to Alex and ERS for putting this together) and the decision to award all them scholarships from this academic year.
- We are in contact with the Principal and other chapters to renew the scholarship programme on a coordinated basis.
- The President and Mr Dennis Babin (Membership Secretary) attended the AGM of the Freetown Old Boys Association in May

2016. The President addressed their members and called for us to strengthen the coordination of activities for the school through the Global POWAA committees

- A follow up visit to the school by the President, Mr Dennis Babin and Mr Zainu-Deen Karim, Princewalean from London. We met with Mr Bundor, SSS Principal and Mr Freeman, Secretary of Freetown Old Boys Association. We discussed various issues including the role of the Board of Governors, the status of the revolving fund, coordination of local and diaspora projects, and the income generated through the hire of the school's facilities by IPAM, the Cricket Association and **Médecins Sans Frontières (Spain)**.

Other cohorts of Princewaleans, the Idle Group and Class of 88 and are supplementing the work of POWAA UK and other alumni branches by taking responsibility for the roofing of one classroom block and Science Block toilet refurbishment respectively. Plans are underway to ensure that these efforts are coordinated under the auspices of the Rehabilitation Committee and the Board of Governors. In August 2016, we held a special General Meeting to address this issue as well as the need to establish an effective maintenance culture and regime in the school.

Financial State of the Association

The Treasurer's report will show a year on year increase in the association's overall funds. We raised less funds in 2015-16 than in 2014-15, our 30th Anniversary year, which was not unexpected but we could do better.

Thanks to Patrick Dixon, Treasurer, for his resolute and astute stewardship of the association's finances.

I believe that the main lesson we should take from the year under review is that we cannot rest on our laurels. There is fierce competition from a plethora of Sierra Leonean organisations for the support and patronage of our community. With that in mind, I appeal to you to double your efforts as we embark on another year of fundraising.

We will also need to focus our efforts on achieving a step change with other fundraising methods such as grants for projects from funding bodies and charitable trusts.

Trustees

My sincere gratitude to the Trustees for their hard work, dedication, support and wise counsel to me. Special thanks to Eugene Benjamin, General Secretary, for the smooth running of POWAA UK's administrative functions.

On behalf of the Trustees and the Association, I extend sincere gratitude to the partners/spouses who hosts the monthly Trustees meetings and ensure lively and constructive meetings fuelled by good food and drinks.

Conclusion

Once again, I am proud of the response of members and other Princewaleans to the needs of our alma mater.

2016-17 promises to be an equally exciting year that will require hard work to replicate the successes of this and previous years. We will strive

in all our activities to continue improving the standard of what we offer and the quality of the customer experience.

Above all, our aim is to raise funds for the Prince of Wales School to fulfil our objectives and public benefit by improving the quality of education for present and future pupils with dedicated teachers and excellent facilities in an environment conducive to learning.

We look forward to a successful 2016-17.

Forward always!



Khadiru Mahdi
President and Muslim Pastoral Officer.

Section E**Financial review**

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

In order to meet any unforeseen expenditure, we aim to hold at least £20,000 in reserves at the year end.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

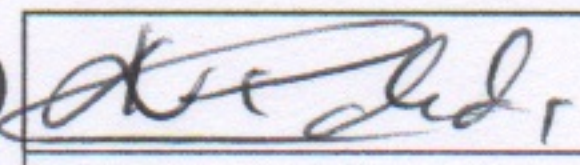
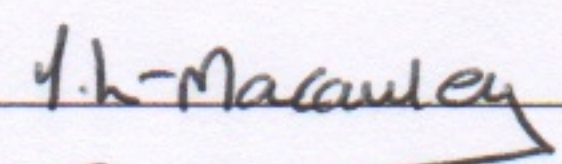
You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F**Other optional information****Section G****Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	KHADIQA MAHDI	IAN LUKE-MACAULEY
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT
Date	29/01/2017	

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

THE PRINCE OF WALES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION UK & IRELAND

On accounts for the year
ended

30/10/2016

Charity no
(if any)

1158526

Set out on pages

12 - 14

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Respective
responsibilities of trustees
and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent
examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's
statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *)

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Marylyn Nancy Bakar

Date:

14/01/17

Name:

MARYLYN NANCY BAKAR (WILLIAMS)

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if
any):

ASSOCIATE MEMBER - ASSOCIATION OF
BUSINESS EXECUTIVE DIPLOMA - ADVANCE
AAT PART QUALIFIED, LLOYDS BANK STAFF

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.



Charity Name Prince Of Wales Alumni Association		No (if any) 1158526	
Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	Period start date 01/11/2015	To	Period end date 30/10/2016

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Section A: Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Annual Dinner & Dance	20,770	-	-	20,770	31,163
Thanksgiving	7,180	-	-	7,180	3,661
Summerfest	4,060	-	-	4,060	3,905
Skool Daze	11,350	-	-	11,350	8,842
Members's Subscriptions & donations	2,769	-	-	2,769	2,150
Benevolent Fund	1,250	-	-	1,250	705
Ebola Donations				-	1,158
School support - Assembly Hall refurbishment	100				
Lapel Pins		-	-	-	
Merchandise	1,590	-	-	1,590	1,890
Monies recovered from debtors					
Members' scholarship donations	255	-	-	255	176
Staff Bonus	575			575	-
Gift Aid Returns	1,165			1,165	404
Other schools' functions	600			600	620
Stock Sale				-	532
Miscellaneous	627	-	-	627	2,163
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	52,291	-	-	52,191	57,369
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	52,291	-	-	52,191	57,369

A3 Payments

Annual Dinner & Dance	16,796	-	-	16,796	14,422
Thanksgiving	6,913	-	-	6,913	4,807
Summerfest	3,508	-	-	3,508	2,612
Skool Daze	6,571			6,571	5,273
Merchandise	833	-	-	833	687
2016 School Days Expense	362	-		362	
Staff Bonus	2,300	-		2,300	
Events Insurance	147	-		147	
Lapel Pins/School colours		-	-	-	-
Association's Scholarship		-	-	-	825
Financial Support to under-graduate student		-		-	1,563
Website & Paypal	170	-	-	170	370
Meeting room hire	270	-		270	310
NCVO Membership				-	-
Association's donation to school's furniture				-	-
Benevolent donation	593			593	-
School support - IT & Buildings		-		-	394
Bank Charges		-		-	127
Association's equipment - gazebo		-		-	275
Admin & refreshments	306	-		306	68
Support to other Associations	600	-		600	780
Miscellaneous	1,760	-	-	1,760	282
Sub total	41,129	-	-	41,129	32,795

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)

	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments 41,129 - - 41,129 32,795

Net of receipts/(payments) 11,162 - - 11,162 24,574

A5 Transfers between funds - - - - -

A6 Cash funds last year end 50,999 - - 50,999 -

Cash funds this year end 62,161 - - 62,161 24,574

Section B: Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories

Details

Unrestricted
funds to the
nearest £

Restricted
funds to the
nearest £

Endowment
funds to the
nearest £

B1 Cash funds

Natwest Bank A/C for year ending 30.09.2016	56,328	-	-
Lloyds Bank A/C	4,108	-	-
Rokel Bank A/C (Freetown)	-	-	-
Cash in hand	1,725	-	-
Total cash funds	62,161	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

Details

Unrestricted
funds to the
nearest £

Restricted
funds to the
nearest £

Endowment
funds to the
nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets- Debtors

Refundable deposit (2017 D&D) - Royal Regency	300	-	-
Refundable Deposit (2016 Skool Daze) - Oasis	500	-	-
Merchandise in Stock	1,070	-	-
		-	-
TOTAL:	1,870	-	-

Details

Fund to which
asset belongs

Cost (optional)

Current value
(optional)

B3 Investment assets

		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

Details

Fund to which
asset belongs

Cost (optional)

Current value
(optional)

B4 Assets retained for the Charity's own use

		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

Details

Fund to which
liability relates

Amount due
(optional)

When due
(optional)

B5 Liabilities

		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of
approval

[Signature]
[Signature]

KHAYE ROBBIN-COKER
KHADIRU MAHDI

20/1/17
29/1/17