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Dear Kirkbyites

The 9th AGM of the Kirkby Alumni Association was held on March 23, 2019. A record number of 52 Kirkbyites attended. Highlight at the AGM was our celebration of our Founder President, Tan Sri Datuk Seri Dr Yahya Ibrahim's 90th Birthday.

A follow-up ExCo Meeting was held on 13 April 2019. Here is a report on the decisions made and programmes approved at the AGM and the ExCo.

## **1. REUNIONS**

On the proposal of T. Balasubramaniam and seconded by K. Nadarajah the AGM unanimously resolved:

- i) That the AGM is the supreme body pertaining to Alumni activities;
- ii) The Kirkby Reunion organised by the Alumni shall be an annual event;
- iii) A 2019 Reunion shall be organised by the ExCo after August 2019.
- iv) The 2020 Reunion can proceed as planned in Kuantan (Gambang) in July 2020.

The ExCo, at its meeting on 13 April, established an Organising Committee composed of: T Balasubramaniam, Chong Hong Chong, Leela Unnithan, Hj Md Kamaruddinn, Tan Ling Suan and V L Kandan. The Exco fixed the dates for the 2019 Reunion as from **Friday 27 to Sunday 30 September 2019, in Taiping, Perak**. Please note this in your diary. Details regarding registration and logistics will follow.

## **2. KIRKBY RE-VISIT 2019**

The Knowsley Council has requested for a change of date for the meeting in the ARK in the Kirkby Library, to Wednesday 28 August 2019. This is because the Library will be closed on that day and will be available for the planned dialogue session between Kirkbyites and the residents of Kirkby Village Housing Estate. Some Kirkbyites felt the cost of travel earlier quoted by MAS was rather high and we have requested for a fresh quote; this time air travel by British Airways via Manchester is being considered. The departure date from KLIA will be 26 August 2019. A fresh brochure will be issued soon. As this trip is mainly to leave a verbal history of the MTTC Kirkby with the Residents in Kirkby, for them to hand down to their children and grandchildren, a meaningful dialogue session is being planned by Lin Rice our current contact person in the ARK. All are encouraged to go on this nostalgic visit.

## **3. Arkib Negara Malaysia**

On 21 March 2019 Secretary Tan Ling Suan, Assistant Secretary Chong Hong Chong and Committee Member Kathryn Yong Fui Yoon went to Arkib Negara and deposited with the National Archives of Malaysia two copies of our Coffee Table book entitled "KIRKBY COLLEGE - A Heritage". In acknowledging receipt thereof and thanking us for the books, the Director General of Arkib Negara Malaysia has written to us as follows:

*"Untuk dimaklumkan, ArkiArkibb Negara Malaysia juga mengalu-alukan sumbangan bahan-bahan lain mengenai KIRKBY bagi melengkapkan koleksi KIRKBY sedia ada. Bahan lain yang boleh disumbangkan termasuklah terbitan, buletin (Bulletins), majalah (Magazines) laporan tahunan (Annual Reports), gambar (Photographs), cakera padat (CDs and DVDs), risalah (Publications) dan lain-lain jenis bahan berkaitan aktiviti dan kegiatan KIRKBY (other material in connection with Kirkby). Bahan-bahan ini akan disimpan kekal di Arkib Negara Malaysia dan akan dibuka untuk rujukan penyelidik yang menjalankan kajian disini."*

If you have the material requested for and wish to have them deposited with Arkib Negara you may send them to the Registered Office of the Alumni: No. 6, Lorong 9/5b, 46000 Petaling Jaya, Selangor. If sufficient number of Kirkbyites are interested it may also be possible to arrange for us to go to the Arkib Negara as a group to deposit the materials and have a discussion with them over tea! Please let us have your input on this as soon as possible.

#### **4. "KIRKBY COLLEGE -A Heritage"**

Malaysia Publishing House, MPH for short, has a wide, in fact the widest, circulation network outlets to sell books. They have access to nearly a thousand outlets. On 16 April a copy of our Coffee Table book was delivered to MPH for them to evaluate if they can distribute the book for sale at an asking price of RM60.00 per copy. If they do agree to distribute we will notify you of the selected outlets for you to purchase and encourage others to purchase the book.

If you have any question please direct it to me at this email address.

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