



St. Vincent College
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Title of the Event	Alumni Elections		
Date of the Event	October 16, 2025	Place of the event	St. Vincent College
Objectives of the Event	To democratically elect credible and committed alumni leaders for the positions of President and Secretary, ensuring transparent governance and reinforcing the alumni association's role in fostering institutional legacy, mentorship, and collaborative development.		
Name/s of the Resource Persons	Fr. Dr. Kenneth Misquitta S.J.		
A short narration of the program			
<p>Alumni Elections</p> <p>On Thursday, October 16, 2025, St. Vincent College conducted democratic elections for the key leadership positions of President and Secretary of its Alumni Association—a process marked by transparency, institutional continuity, and a shared commitment to strengthening the bond between past and present members of the college community. The election was convened in accordance with the association's bylaws and overseen by a neutral Returning Officer appointed by the college management, ensuring procedural integrity and fairness throughout.</p> <p>The process began several weeks in advance with a formal call for nominations, circulated among registered alumni through official channels. Eligibility criteria emphasized sustained engagement with the college, a demonstrated record of professional or community contribution, and a clear vision for alumni involvement. Two candidates emerged for the post of President, and three for Secretary, each submitting statements of purpose that articulated their motivations, proposed initiatives, and understanding of the alumni association's role—not merely as a networking platform but as a steward of institutional legacy and a catalyst for mentorship, resource mobilization, and collaborative development.</p> <p>On election day, voting was conducted digitally via a secure, time-bound portal accessible only to verified alumni. The system employed unique login credentials and audit trails to prevent duplication or tampering, reflecting the college's emphasis on ethical governance even in internal processes. Voter turnout was notably robust, signaling a renewed interest among graduates in actively shaping the future of their alma</p>			



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mater. The entire exercise concluded within the stipulated timeframe, and results were declared the same evening following a public tabulation of votes in the presence of the Returning Officer and two independent alumni observers.

Mr. Arvind Deshpande (Batch of 2008) was elected President, and Ms. Priya Menon (Batch of 2012) was elected Secretary. Both are respected professionals—Mr. Deshpande in the field of education administration and Ms. Menon in corporate sustainability—who have consistently participated in alumni events and student mentorship programs. In their acceptance remarks, they emphasized continuity over spectacle: pledging to enhance communication through a quarterly alumni newsletter, establish a structured mentorship bridge between graduates and current students, and explore avenues for supporting need-based scholarships and infrastructure upgrades through ethical, voluntary contributions.

The Principal, in a brief address following the declaration of results, underscored the symbolic importance of the election: that an institution’s vitality is measured not only by its present operations but by the enduring connection it fosters with those it has educated. The outgoing office-bearers were acknowledged for their service, particularly for revitalizing the alumni database and organizing the successful Silver Jubilee Reunion in 2024.

Importantly, the election was devoid of partisan rhetoric or competitive animosity; instead, it reflected a mature, consensus-oriented culture where leadership is seen as service. The process itself—orderly, inclusive, and grounded in mutual respect—served as a quiet reaffirmation of the values St. Vincent College seeks to instill in all its members. As the newly elected team assumes office, the focus now shifts from selection to stewardship: translating vision into action, and goodwill into tangible support for the generations that follow.

Name of the Collaborating Agency	St. Vincent College
Learning Outcomes of the Event for the Participants	Alumni gained firsthand experience in ethical democratic processes, deepened their sense of ownership toward their alma mater, and recognized leadership as a form of service rooted in continuity, collaboration, and community contribution.



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Learning Outcomes for the Organizing team	The team reinforced best practices in digital election management, stakeholder engagement, and neutral oversight, while affirming the value of structured, values-driven processes in sustaining institutional trust and alumni participation.
No. of Participants	Ex Students of St. Vincent College
Faculty in Charge	Dr. Gilbi John
Documents Attached	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Attendance Sheet2. Geotag photographs3. Resume of resource persons if any4. Copy of remuneration paid if any5. Notice of the event6. Thank you letter to the resource persons