<u>Revised</u>

Minutes of the CLSUIAA Executive Committee Meeting December 4, 2016 in Porterville, CA

ATTENDANCE:

Rob Bugawan, proxied by Val Pascual Edison Cabacungan, PHD, proxied by Floro Gutierrez Juanito Campos Gloria A. De Vera Juanito Del Rosario, PhD **Gerry Galinato**, PE **Floro Gutierrez** Loretta S. Malonzo Val Pascual proxied by Val Pascual **Rey Peralta**, **Eddie Quiba** Leo Sicat, PhD Andy Silao Annie A. Silva Joselinto Viray, PE Norma "Ohma" B. Viray

Others:

Julie Campos Lettie Galinato Zeny Gutierrez Opry Malonzo Bernie Mapili Beulah Pascual Tita Quiba Sam Rombaoa, DDS Elsie Silao Nestor Silva

CALL TO ORDER: President Gerry Galinato, after ascertaining with the Secretary whether there was a quorum, called the meeting to order at 9:55 a.m. He thanked Director and Mrs. Eddie and Tita Quiba for hosting the meeting. He also thanked all those who helped prepare the sumptuous dinner and party during the second wedding reception of his son Albert and daughter-in-law Shannon.

READING/APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Secretary Floro Gutierrez asked the members present to briefly go over the distributed minutes which were earlier emailed in June and bring to the floor any necessary changes and corrections.

Director Val Pascual moved, seconded by **Leo Sicat, PhD**, PhD, that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved.

Motion Unanimously Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Director Norma "Ohma" B. Viray presented a detailed report of CLSUIAA's General Fund, Scholarship Fund, Endowment Fund, and Projects/Events updates. A brief summary of her report follows:

Account Summary

Cash Accounts

CLSUIAA INC Checking ...8468 CLSUIAA INC Savings ... 6242 BUSINESS MARKET RATE ...0982

Investments

CLSUIAA INC cd ...3184 TIME ACCOUNT

...4710

Credit

\$31,942.37

Total available balance

\$ 2,678.78 Available balance \$3,251.27 Available balance \$26,012.32 Available

\$31,219.97

\$20,117.16 Account balance \$11,102.81

Account balance

\$5,000.00*

Total Outstanding balance

Wells Fargo BusinessSecured credit card\$0.00...7187Outstanding balance*Note: Held by Wells Fargo Bank to secure the Visa Card

Total of all accounts = \$68,162.32. Director Pascual moved for the acceptance of the Treasurer's report, subject to audit, with thanks. **Director Andy Silao** seconded the motion.

Before voting on the motion, there were some discussions:

- **Director Quiba:** The Treasurer should send a copy to the Auditor so he can examine and sign its accuracy. **Treasurer Viray** responded that she sends a copy to the Auditor every time she prepares her report (confirmed by **Director Gutierrez** who is a member of the Finance Committee), but the Auditor never responded.
- **Director Sicat:** commented that other non-profit corporations use an outside Auditor, but this might be too costly for CLSUIAA.

The Chair called for the vote on the motion.

Motion Unanimously Approved. Page 2 of 6 **Related Additional Motion: Director Pascual moved, seconded by Director Silao**, to add **Engr. Gloria A. De Vera as Assistant Auditor (Director Ray Peralta is the Auditor and Mr. Romeo Castro** is the Assistant Auditor).

Motion Unanimously Approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Participation of CLSUIAA DURING THE 2017 Grand Alumni Homecoming:
 - a) Professor of the Day: Several comments were made and the Committee agreed that the Professor of the Day should be an avenue of sharing experiences that will motivate the CLSU students to strive harder, rather than just lectures on topics that may sometimes be too technical for them to appreciate. **Director Quiba** has some reservations on the term "Professor" and prefers Motivational or Inspirational Speaker of the Day.

The Committee agreed to keep the original term. Last year, Director **Fiorello Abenes, PhD,** who originally conceived this project/activity and who has successfully conducted a Professor of the Day session, shared through email that he has directly contacted College of Education Dean **Teodora T. Battad, PhD (now retired)** to be Professor of the Day. He encourages more alumni, especially the Gintong Butil Awardees to volunteer. The Chair also mentioned that those interested to participate as a Professor of the Day to contact either Dr. Serna or directly the Dean of the College copying him (**President Galinato**) and **Dr. Serna**.

So far, interested volunteers aside from **Dr. Abenes** are: **Annie A. Silva, Juanito Del Rosario, PhD, Dr. Carlos Cariaga, and Gerry Galinato, PE. Director Pascual has volunteered Dir. Ed Quiba** to be one of the Professor of the Day speakers.

b) Presidential Reception, Friday evening, February 3:

Headcount of expats attending, to date, (16): Annie and Nestor Silva, Gloria De Vera, Ed Quiba, Leo and Norma Sicat, Val and Beulah Pascual, Johnny and Julie Campos, Gerry and Letty Galinato, Andy and Elsie Silao, and Juanito and Fe Del Rosario.

- c) Recognition Program: (1) Some or all the CLSUIAA nominees will possibly be recognized and given awards and 2) Officially present the Commemorative Dollar Coin Collection of Various US presidents to Pres. Tereso Abella.
- d) Providing various articles concerning CLSUIAA activities for publication in the CLSUAAI Alumni Bulletin.
- e) Joint meeting of CLSUIAA members/officers in attendance with the members of CLSUAAI BOD after the General Assembly Meeting to discuss some issues.
- f) Participation in the Mayor's Night, Saturday Night: As in the previous 2016
 Homecoming, the Science City of Munoz Mayor will host the Dinner and Dance, Saturday night, to be held at the RET Cafeteria.

- **g)** Hosting of the Sunday Brunch at BFAR: This year, CLSUIAA will continue to finance the Sunday brunch at BFAR.
- h) CLSUIAA'S HMDO (Humanitarian Medical, Dental and Optical) Mission Project II: President Galinato has drafted a solicitation letter to raise the funds (\$2,000.00) needed for the project. To date the total HMDO donations received is \$650 from the following donors:

Gerry Galinato, PE	\$200
Dr. Leo Sicat	\$150
Floro Gutierrez	\$100
Dr. Ed Cabacungan	\$100
Engr. Ohma Viray	\$100

Additionally, Dr. Leo Abenes has pledged P5,000 (approximately \$100) for Project II.(Note: While the minutes are being finalized, additional donations were Sent by Dr. Carlos Carriaga, \$150 and Dr. Juanito Del Rosario, \$100.)

2. Special Activities during the regularly scheduled Annual Meeting on September23-25, 2017:

The initial plan was to hold the Annual Meeting in Reno, NV for a General Assembly Meeting which includes a simple Dinner/Dance, and a Sunday brunch in a new place in Reno, NV. A motion, duly seconded on the floor was approved.

After some more discussions, and finding another consensus, **Director Quiba** moved, seconded by **Director Campos that the earlier approved motion be repealed and change the venue and date to Porterville, CA on September 29-October 1, 2017.** Motion Unanimously Approved.

Donations to the September 29-October 1, 2017 Annual Meeting:

- a) Music Ohma B. Viray
- b) Lechon -Ed Quiba
- c) Kambing -1/2 Val and ½ Andy
- d) 2 Pails, barbequed chicken -Leo S.
- 3. Executive Committee Meeting Schedule for 2017:
 - a) Special Meeting in January 2017 (if needed) focusing on participation in the 2017 CLSU Grand Alumni Homecoming: Will contact VP Rob Bugawan if available and willing.
 - b) Spring Meeting: Phoenix, AZ, April 1-2 or 22-23, 2017 pending confirmation from Dr. Carlos Carriaga. (*Note: After the meeting, President Galinato received confirmation that Dr. Carriaga agreed to host the meeting*).
 - c) Summer Meeting: Salt Lake City, UT, June 23-24, 2017.
 - d) Fall Meeting: Will coincide with Annual Meeting, September29-October 1, 2017
 - e) Winter Meeting, December 2017: Tabled.

- **4. Distribution of Heritage Hotel Gift Certificates:** The Executive Committee approved the following guidelines:
 - a) Deadline for requesting a Certificate: January 15, 2017 and request should be made to either President Galinato or Treasurer Viray.
 - b) Must be a CLSUIAA member and current in membership dues; if a local alumnus/ alumna, must have attended an international CLSUIAA event (U.S., Mexico, or Canada).
 - C) Only one for a couple of alumni
 - d) One time use only
 - e) First come, first serve.
 - f) Remaining gift certificates will be given away to CLSUIAA officers/members, first come, first serve basis.

(Note: After the Executive Committee meeting, additional clarification was sought from Dr. Romeo Padilla, donor of the certificates. He confirmed that the key requirement in receiving a certificate is that he/she must be a CLSU International Alumni Association (CLSUIAA) member, no more, no less. He also indicated that local CLSUAAI members based in the Philippines who are interested to obtain a similar Certificate should contact him directly.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Endowment Fund (EF) Committee: Vice Chair Floro Gutierrez who was asked by Chairman Dr. Ed Cabacungan to proxy for him, relayed the latter's enthusiasm and thanks for the generous donors, especially those who donated for the first time during the recently held Annual Meeting in Las Vegas.

Director Gutierrez echoed a comment by one of the Directors during the Executive Committee Meeting in Boise, ID who was concerned that solicitations for scholarships, and even the Member-Sponsored scholarships may be competing with the Endowment Fund campaign. Also, a lingering doubt that the "modest" \$1Million goal may not be attained based in the amount of donations received so far in the past eight years. Recalling some informal side conversations in that meeting, he proposed that we explore some concepts that might be appropriate and the following were mentioned:

- a) **Gutierrez:** Stop solicitations for scholarship and concentrate on Endowment Fund. Without touching the EF, use 90% (or less) of the previous year's EF donations to finance the CLSUIAA scholars (SY 2016-2017 is already fully funded) and all proceeds realized on projects/events intended for scholarships should go directly to EF. This may accelerate the growth of the EF.
- **b) N. Viray:** In favor of keeping the Scholarship Fund for tracking purposes. Wondered if the bylaws can be changed to allow as much as 10% of the EF balance plus 10% interest to be used for the CLSUIAA scholars. Also in favor of keeping the Member-Sponsored Scholarships.

- c) Pascual: Voiced a similar view with Treasurer N. Viray, "so that we will not be double-burdened".
- d) Leo Sicat, PhD: Proposed a "sure way" of attaining the \$1M EF goal. He suggested that CLSUIAA will mint commemorative coins (for a few dollars each) and challenge all alumni and their friends to collect as many commemorative coins as they can. For current donors who have donated \$250 or more, they will be given one coin now and challenge them to collect more coins at \$250 donation per coin! He remarked this has proved to be very effective before in some nonprofit organizations, it could work for CLSUIAA too.
- 2. Membership Committee: Engr. Gloria a. De Vera reported that to expand our membership roster, she always tried to get information from CLSU alumni who post in Facebook. Her experience is for every 50 she was able to contact, only 2 or 3 respond.

In addition to that Engr. De Vera has mentioned, the **Executive Committee** was of the consensus that CLSUIAA can expand its membership roster immensely by asking Dr. Serna to share her international list which she promised, when asked before, but has not done this yet.

3. 2018 Events: Two ideas were given: Cruise (Hawaii) and 7-Day Land Tour. Discussion tabled.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Recorded by:

Floro R. Gutierrez, Secretary

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