

**March 16, 2023 Spring Meeting, CLSUIAA Executive Committee (EC)  
Minutes Of Meeting – via ZOOM**

**ATTENDANCE:** 14 of 29 EC members attended (7 Proxies). (\* BODs)

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| 1. Abenes, Leo - Proxied by Rob               | 11. De Vera, Gloria*                 | <del>21. Quiba, Ed</del>             |
| <del>2. Aganon, Tim</del>                     | 12. Galinato, Gerry*                 | 22. Raniel, Johnny*                  |
| 3. Arcinue, Annie*                            | 13. Gutierrez, Floro*                | 23. Ruiz, Ely*                       |
| 4. Bagalzo, Nora*                             | <del>14. Jankatad, Diana</del>       | 24. Rull, Marcelo*                   |
| <del>5. Buado, Manny</del>                    | 15. Malonzo, Lorie* - Proxied by Rob | <del>25. Sigua, Celia</del>          |
| 6. Bugawan, Rob*                              | <del>16. Mamaclay, Gerry</del>       | <del>26. Valenzuela, Gil</del>       |
| 7. Carriaga, Carlos                           | 17. Pascual, Val*                    | 27. Viray, Lito - Proxied by Gloria  |
| 8. Castillo, Melith                           | 18. Pastor, Ernie* - Proxied by Rob  | 28. Viray, Ohma* - Proxied by Gloria |
| <del>9. Castro, Mary Jane</del>               | <del>19. Peralta, Ray</del>          | 29. Yra, Pabs                        |
| 10. Del Rosario, Juanito* - Proxied by Gloria | 20. Perez, Nenita*                   |                                      |

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Floro called the meeting to order at 5:45PM, despite the secretary's count of just 12, 1 shy short of the required quorum of 13 attendees, stating he was optimistic that others would show up later during the meeting. He was right of course -- just shortly after the meeting has started, 3 others have joined in for total of 14 as shown on the lists above.

**READING AND APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:** The secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting. After the reading, Floro asked attendees if there were any corrections or omissions on the minutes. When there was none, Gerry moved and seconded by Millet that the Jan 16<sup>th</sup> minutes of the meeting be approved. **Motion Approved.**

**TREASURER, and THE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE REPORTS:** On behalf of treasurer Ohma and Investment Committee Chair Leo Abenes, the secretary shared a pdf file report from Ohma showing the summary fund balances of all accounts in the association.

From it, showed the funds broken down into 4 categories as General Fund, Endowment Fund @ Wells Fargo (WF), Scholarship, and Fidelity Investment.

Gerry noted under the Scholarship category, he would like to see if perhaps Ohma could break it down further into sub-categories of Member Sponsored Scholarship Program (MSSP) and the General Scholarship Program (GSP). These two subcategories will help enable him and the members of the SER committee gauge how much money is left to sustain the two programs, specifically the GSP.

Also on the report, it shows Wells Fargo (WF) has an Endowment Fund balance of \$13,485.49. Rob who proxied for Leo thought that this was the amount Ohma was referring to that we could add into CLSUIAA's investment accounts held at Fidelity.

Ohma and Leo were not in the meeting to share their keen insight in regard to investments, thereby prompting President Floro to suggest in the meeting to defer discussing investments to some point in time "IF AND WHEN" only that both of them are in attendance during the EC meeting session.

It was then that Gerry moved and seconded by Gloria that the treasurer's report be accepted. **Motion Approved.**

**CLSUIAA CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS (C&BL):** A proposal to amend the C&BL to include a provision allowing members and the members of the Board of Directors (BODs) to designate proxies, for the purpose of achieving a quorum in the association's general assembly and during its annual BOD meeting.

To wit: ***A life member or a member of good standing, i.e., current in his/her membership fee, may request/designate another member of good standing as a proxy in the Annual Membership Meeting.***

During discussions of why it must be amended, it was apparent most if not all do not have a full grasp and understanding of the process how C&BL is changed, i.e., by who, when to ratify and consequence of a change.

Therefore, it was agreed by **consensus to table the proposed amendment** for further discussions until the next special meeting scheduled on April 5, 2023. On or before that time, President Floro (our Thomas Jefferson) who initially drafted the C&BL before the association became incorporated, will educate or send us historical files from his archive, how it was developed, changed, implemented and finally ratified up until its latest official version, dated in 2016.

**PAST EVENT - FEBRUARY 5 EVENING WITH SCHOLARS:** Gloria presented the event's financial report summarized as follows:

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- Total collections ----- PHP 80,935.65
- Total Expenses ----- PHP 95,450.00
- Net proceeds ----- **(PHP14,514.35)**

Conclusion: It's a Loss, however, there were still some expected receivable pledges from Gloria, Annie, Gerry and Val in the amount of P3000, P5000, P2000 and P5000, respectively. Should these pledges actually materialize and added to the previous total collections, the revised collected money versus expenses are pretty much awash --- with a little gain of **P485.65**.

Comments: Gerry appreciated the efforts of the two sisters, Annie and Gloria, along with the conscientious contributions and supporting efforts from expats members coming together and showed the CLSUIAA's unity, highlighting its image in and around CLSU community, by sponsoring event like this on the heels of a short notice from national association of an upcoming alumni homecoming event, as Floro concurred.

**FUTURE EVENT (1st Saturday of October) – CLSUIAA General Membership & BODs meeting, MAEJO UNIVERSITY in CHIANG MAI (435 miles from Bangkok), THAILAND (possibly in a joint meeting with CLSUAAI BODs):**

Event Chair Gloria will send a preliminary invitation letter to all alumni (global) no later than 3 months before the meeting. Publicize the meeting in social media, FB, and website, then follow up with detailed information of the following:

- Signing and commitment cutoff date ..... is on or before **JULY 4, 2023**.
- Estimate cost of Airline, Phil to ChiangMai ..... P20,000 each (attendees responsibility)
- Hotels in Chiang Mai ..... TBD, cheaper inside the university, however, for better facility it was recommended to seek hotel accommodations outside of the university.
- Hotels in Bangkok ..... ~\$30-50/day
- Tour ..... Share expenses in a Vanpool per trip

**SCHOLARSHIP & RESEARCH (SER) REPORT:** Gerry made a summary of the evening activities with the Scholars on Feb 5 as follow:

- Handing of Certificate of recognition to each of 19 scholars.
- Handing of envelop containing the semester's grant in pesos into each scholars.
- Handing of envelop containing bonuses to 5 scholars given by their sponsors (1 envelop with cash from Ohma, 3 from Annette Sigura, and 1 from Gerry plus another in-kind contribution., ie., laptop computer).
- Handing of Certificate of appreciation to each of the 3 program speakers –scholarship coordinators Redell Gutierrez and Jayson Marzan, and CLSU President Orden.

He reported that 1 (one) special grant sponsoring the research program as part of school project being conducted by scholar Jemimiah Olo in the amount of \$150, where \$50 of which came from Celia Sigua, has been approved and remitted.

He also alerted ARO Jayson Marzan that on the 'Lists of Scholarship Supporters' shown in the 2023 CLSU mid-year commencement programme, CLSU International Alumni Association (CLSUIAA) was excluded. Gerry informed Jayson that **CLSUIAA is an independent and separate entity from the CLSUAAI (national association)**, and therefore should have been listed. Jayson responded by saying he will see to it that in its future programme, CLSUIAA is listed as such.

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT:** Nora said that to date the association has a total of 180 members, broken down as follow:

- 63 are Lifetime members.
- 116 members paid at least \$10 or more, of these 85 are in good standing.
- \$150 (good for 15 new members first year's \$10 fees) pledge money are still available for member sponsorship.
- Nora, Millet, Gloria and Rob will work on establishing one common file showing the members roster for publications in the website.

**Next Meeting: Special Meeting April 5, 2023 at 6PM.**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Nora moved, seconded by Gloria that the meeting be adjourned. **Motion Approved.** Meeting was adjourned at 9:12PM.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rob T. Bugawan".

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