

## AGA Guam Chapter General Membership Meeting Minutes Wednesday, August 26, 2015 Hyatt Regency Guam Resort

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- 1. Meeting called to order at 12:15pm. Attendance Count: 47 members, 2 non-members, and 16 JAS members.
- 2. Approval of Minutes. Rodalyn Gerado moved to approve the July General Membership minutes subject to correction. Ariana Villaverde seconds. All were in favor. Motion approved.
- 3. Treasurer's Report. Tabled.
- 4. Committee Reports:
  - a. Education Committee.
  - b. CGFM Committee.
  - c. Membership Committee. Jason and Debbie recognized the August AGA Guam Membership Anniversaries:
    - i. Joe San Nicolas, GWA, 6 years;
    - ii. Jason Katigbak, United Airlines, 6 years;
    - iii. Felina Concepcion, GPA 9 years;
    - iv. Marietta Vincente, GWA, 11 years;
    - v. Jocelyn Pascua, GWA, 11 years;
    - vi. Gilda Mafnas, GWA, 17 years; and
    - vii. Demetria Robinson, GWA, 17 years.

Also, recognized five returning DOA members.

- d. Community Service Committee. Presented the Saipan Relief Donation of \$1,000 and bottled water to the Ayuda Foundation Executive Director Carlotta Leon Guerrero. Ayuda Foundation will be celebrating 20 years in April 2016. Many great partnerships to provide relief to neighboring islands after natural disasters. Several Ayuda Foundation donations will be used for female hygiene products and will be included in the containers for distribution. They are really trying to purchase items that are relevant, such as purchasing mosquito nets for the Philippines.
- 5. Guest Speaker: Dr. Robert Underwood, University of Guam President Topic: The Future of the University of Guam
  - Dr. Underwood discussed the future of UOG. In order to understand its future, you need to understand its past.
  - UOG is a \$100 million (M) operation of which \$35M is directly funded by GovGuam. In order to provide its many programs, it is funded by the direct assistance from GovGuam, tuitions and fees, and grants. UOG is a competitive institution for grants. Just recently, the National Science Foundation awarded a \$6M grant to UOG

through its Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) program for coastal ecosystems research in Pago Bay. UOG is one of three entities awarded.

- Good stewards of managing about 130 grants.
- UOG is a great university, especially with its regional focus. For example, residential fees are offered to residents of Micronesia. Understand your resource hedgehog.
- Not only relying on GovGuam funding. When you have that reliance, you are on GovGuam's timetable, but UOG cannot wait. They have big plans. Fundraising aspect is critical for new facilities and depending on Endowment and other revenues.
- Envisioning a 21<sup>st</sup> Century campus in 2025 with 10,000 students. New building plans to include an Engineering building and Student Services building, which is funded by USDA loan.
- Strategic decisions on quality undergraduate programs and graduate programs that speak to the issues. The University cannot be everything for the entire 165,000 population. Changing the trajectory of how programs and ideas are funded. Getting involved with the resource accumulation. No course additions unless they know how it will be financed.
- UOG future is bright. It needs alumni support.
- 6. Raffle Winner is Llewelyn Terlaje from OPA.
- 7. Other Matters.
  - a. Anaheim PDT Raffle eligibility.
  - b. Coastal Clean-Up at Matapang Beach on September 19<sup>th</sup>; 6:30am registration and 7am clean-up start. AGA and the Guam Realtors Association. See Frances Danieli for sign-up.
- 8. Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 at 12 noon at Hyatt. Special event: Who's Who in the Government of Guam.
- 9. Meeting adjourned at 12:58pm.
  Christian Rivera motioned to adjourn meeting and Amacris Legaspi seconds. All were in favor.

Minutes prepared by: /s/ Clariza Roque AGA – Guam Chapter Secretary