

Minutes of the CIAG Meeting Held at the Residence of Engr. & Mrs. Rodrigo & Frances Dioso, Jr. on October 18, 2008 at 1506 Rue Avati, San Jose, CA 95131

CALL TO ORDER: President Val Pascual called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Frances Dioso, Rodrigo Dioso, Mar Estioko, Rose Estioko, Floro Gutierrez, Beulah Pascual, Val Pascual, Carmen Peralta, Rey Peralta.

AGENDA SETTING: The Chair presented an agenda prepared earlier by the President and the Secretary and asked for any additions/changes. Agenda was APPROVED by common assent.

COMMUNITY SHARING: The Chair asked the members to share any comments/news updates.

-Rose Estioko inquired if CIAG or individual members were invited by Vicky Siruno on the 40 days memorial service for her late husband Apron Siruno. The Chair suggested it will be nice if many of us can attend.

-Rey Peralta, former president of the Fil-Am Aggies and currently chairs its Scholarship Committee, remarked that inasmuch as many of us are members of the Fil-Am Aggies, he wants to share the suggestion of Rod Dioso that if scholarship funds are awarded to the Ilocos Sur Polytechnic State College, these should be in memory of Apron Siruno.

-Mar Estioko said that he is "sharing the birthday party of his friend Rod."

-Rod Dioso noted that we were inactive for some time and suggested that we should have more activities so that CIAG will grow strong.

-Floro Gutierrez agreed with Rod but added that the past three summer months many members were out of town, but nonetheless suggested that we should plan year-round activities for continuity and so more alumni will be enthused to affiliate in and participate with CIAG.

-Val Pascual agreed with the two earlier comments and in fact plans to call a meeting for November and December (Thanksgiving and Christmas-Membership Drive meetings).

READING AND APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING'S MINUTES: Floro Gutierrez read the minutes of the previous meeting. Mar moved, seconded by Rose that the minutes be approved as read.
APPROVED.

TREASURER'S REPORT: For Treasurer Norma B. Viray, who with husband Lito are currently traveling in Asia and Australia, Floro Gutierrez made the report. Since the last Treasurer's Report on July 20, 2008 which indicated the balance of our account as \$786.97, there was only one bank activity which is a deposit of \$30.00 from the check submitted by Mr. Juanito Campos for one of his guests last July 19 who was not able attend the event. So as of now, our account's balance is \$816.97.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS/REGISTERING CIAG AS NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION: Revisiting Gerry Galinatos's suggestion, the Chair asked the opinion of the group. By common assent, it was APPROVED that we should have a Constitution and By-Laws and then register CIAG as a non-profit organization. President Val Pascual named the following for the purpose: Rod Dioso, Chairman with Ed Cabacungan, Gerry Galinato and Gerry Mamaclay as members and Floro Gutierrez as Coordinator.

INTERNATIONAL REUNIONS: Again on Gerry Galinato's inquiry if CIAG will spearhead an international reunion next year his suggestion made during the previous meeting that CIAG spearhead international reunions alternately between CLSU and in U.S. or Canada, the group APPROVED to do this yearly in the U.S. or Canada and every five years in CLSU. The President named Gerry Galinato as Chairman, for this project.

ENDOWMENT FUND: By email and telephone, Ed Cabacungan who unveiled his proposal to establish an Endowment Fund during his inspiration speech during the Induction of Officers officiated by former CLSU president Dr. Rudy Undan last July 19 expressed his desire for follow-up and action. Basically his proposal is for CIAG to campaign for pledges of 56 cents a day (or more, for some) for five years to 1,000 alumni across U.S. and Canada and in the Mid-East countries to raise \$1 million and out of this 90% of the interest will be used for scholarships in CLSU and 10% of the interest added to the Endowment Fund principal.

By proxy, Floro Gutierrez moved, and Beulah Pascual seconded the motion for Ed's proposal.

APPROVED.

The Chair named Ed Cabacungan, who also pledged to give his first year pledge (\$200.00) once we have drafted, approved and ratified our Constitution and By-Laws and registered CIAG as a non-profit organization, Chairman of the Endowment Fund Project.

WEBSITE: Floro Gutierrez moved, seconded by Rey Peralta that we authorize Rob Bugawan to start the website and ask him to let us know what expenses we might incur by next meeting.

UP-COMING MEETINGS:

November 8 - Will be an early Thanksgiving Party-Meeting at the Val and Beulah Pascual's residence in Santa Clara and to celebrate Val's birthday. Time: 12:30 p.m.

December 13 - Christmas Party-Membership Drive Meeting. Invite new alumni and friends. Starts at 3:00 p.m. and the venue will be announced shortly.

The group approved, again by common assent that we meet every third Saturday of the month bi-monthly, i.e., starting January 17, 2009, March 21, 2009, and so on. If a member wishes to advance/change the date in order to celebrate a birthday or wedding anniversary, etc. he/she should inform the President or the Secretary ahead of time so by consultation with the other officers the requested change maybe made. This and other issues will be addressed in the by-laws that will be drafted shortly.

OTHER BUSINESS: The group approved to sponsor a casino fund-raising once or twice a year. The Chair appointed Rey Peralta to chair this project and Rey accepted the assignment on condition that the group assumes the responsibility of filling the bus (about 54 passengers).

First trip: December 27, 2008 (Details will follow)

NEXT MEETING: See Up-coming Meetings above.

ADJOURNMENT: Mar Estioko moved, seconded by Rod Dioso that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

APPROVED.

Recorded by: Floro Gutierrez, Secretary