

**Members' Meeting Minutes**  
**April 13, 2007**  
**Noren's Residence**  
**Maplewood, MN**

Meeting was called to order at 8:29pm and presided by Ludy Bergenthal, President.

**I WELCOME**

**II APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Agenda was reviewed, amended and approved by the body.

**III MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

A. Minutes were reviewed, amended and approved by the body.

1. VIII. OLD BUSINESS/A. PCM REPRESENTATIVE/2. Capital campaign as of Feb'07 at \$105K (*excluding* pledges)

**IV FINANCIAL REPORT**

- A. Tony was not available; Report has been reviewed and approved by the board
  - B. Bank statements still being received by Meding; Jeff in process of working with Wells Fargo for change of address
  - C. Proposal for formal audit procedures to be presented soon by Jeff
- For more information, please refer to written report handed out at the meeting

**V COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. DANCE TROUPE**

1. Past performances include –
  - (i) PCM open house
  - (ii) FON dress rehearsal
  - (iii) Phil Day
  - (iv) Easterfest; Each dancer received token of appreciation from Judith
  - (v) Asian Drum & Dance
2. Upcoming performances include –
  - (i) 4/28, Bethel University, Arden Hills, Cebu Shelter
  - (ii) 5/4, FON Adult
  - (iii) 5/5, FON Children
  - (iv) 5/26, Kongsyerto Filipino; Depending on availability of dancers over Memorial weekend

- (v) July 2007, St Cloud Fil-Am group
- (vi) July 2007, Dragon Festival; expect an invite
- (vii) Aug 2007, Anoka Pagasa Festival
- (viii) 9/1 wedding, Delilah Madeja
- 3. Boom box was stolen during Phil Day weekend; In process of being replaced
  - (i) Linda received call soon after, about Phil. Day related materials found in a stolen/recovered car being repaired in a Twin Cities auto shop; Have yet to receive follow up call
  - (ii) Back-up music on cd (with binder); Originals with Gary, copies with Therese
- 4. New practice venue in St Paul, courtesy of YenYen

#### B. MEMBERSHIP

- 1. Representation at recent community events
  - (i) PCM spring dance
  - (ii) Guthrie play
  - (iii) Phil Day – 15 new members
- 2. Representation at upcoming community events
  - (i) PSA fashion show at U of M, Sunday 4pm
- 3. Ongoing efforts to clean-up DB

#### C. CHARITIES

- 1. Motion was made and approved to donate \$500 to Food Harvest food shelf
- 2. Received latest list of scholar candidates from Gary King; Committee recommends to sponsor LarryLou Baja (incoming HS); Will have to check with Tony with regards to annual projected financial aid
- 3. Request for input (critieria, etc) from Glen, Ludy to proceed with pending motion of

#### D. NEWSLETTER/FLYER

- 1. To be delivered shortly hereafter

#### E. FILIPINO LEADERSHIP

- 1. Next meeting at the PCM office

#### F. PHILIPPINE SCHOLAR

- 1. Received letter (with copy of report card) from Jenie Tortor

For more information, please refer to written report handed out at the meeting

### VI BUSINESS AT HAND

#### A. POST PHILIPPINE DAY EXPENSE/EVALUATION REPORT

- 1. Increased attendance: more vendors, more participants
- 2. Increased food license fee from \$25 to \$50
- 3. Water/Soda ratio, 3:1 (depending on weather too)

4. Kudos to Tony for emceeing and the first to arrive; Therese for overseeing the dance troupe performance, Meding & Jeff for overseeing the beverage sales, Jannie & Tessie for overseeing the exhibit display, Fe for co-chairing the event
5. Program went longer than anticipated; Some performers did not adhere to time limit
6. FAME's participation in future community events uncertain (group has not been practicing); Instead of live music, maybe fill time with community announcements
7. Vendors (especially those who did not attend the pre-event meeting) are willful and hard-headed; Mandate from Landmark (no set-up earlier than 10am) was being disregarded; Making it hard to not upset custodians, because any infractions are reported
8. Food license rule change for next year: only 6 main menu items and 3 dessert items; Otherwise, vendor has to apply for their own license fee; NO COMPLIANCE by a vendor revokes application for following year; Should it come down to fewer vendors, so be it
9. Suggestion to have rotating schedule on the membership table
10. Suggestion to have clicker at the door
11. Raised approx \$15 for tornado victims in the South; Another approach could be to request people to bring in canned goods, etc.
12. Need to be more explicit in wording/definition of beverage; Meding volunteers to oversee beverage again next year
13. Table should not be shared (and split fee); Cluttered appearance and non-compliance
14. No shows (table space rentals) were still charged
15. Expected table income does not jive with reported table income; Fe to clarify with Tony
16. Stay with Landmark?
  - ✓ Filipinos are creature of habit
  - ✓ Historical
  - ✓ Cheap
  - ✗ Parking, Few & Expensive
  - ✗ Small space, limited max capacity for tables, chairs
17. Find Alternative?
  - ✗ Union Fees

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**B. BUDGET PLAN – FESTIVAL OF NATIONS – BAZAAR**

1. Booths to be paid by Shirley Massie; Preferably no other consignments on Thu/Fri, but Shirley M have option to include on Thu/Fri (as long as inventory ready before Festival)
2. Other consignment from Shirley Asuncion

C. BUDGET PLAN – FESTIVAL OF NATIONS – CAFÉ

1. NO bubble tea to be included with combo meal voucher (awarded to volunteers); Voucher must be explicit on what is included and not included
2. Freezer has been relocated; Inventory of equipment/supplies completed
3. Sam's account set-up; Some non-perishable items have been purchased; Found chicken quarters for bargain prices at Aldi's
4. Likely to keep same prices from previous year
5. Adobo food prep on Saturday at Coon Rapids Civic Center; Next food prep on 21<sup>st</sup> at St Williams
6. Copy of 2007 budget (based on 2006 production) prepared by Ludy was distributed

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D. BUDGET PLAN – FESTIVAL OF NATIONS – DANCE TROUPE

1. To come from general fund

E. BUDGET PLAN – CULTURAL/GENERATION GAP WORKSHOP \*\*\*Tabled

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F. BUDGET PLAN – PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE DAY \*\*\*Tabled

VII NEW BUSINESS

A. FMA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

1. Youth group has shown interest in representing CSFA and requesting sponsorship; Group needs to contact Jasper to discuss possibility

B. COMMUNITY RELATIONS

1. Yet another incident involving the President; Balikbayan Box Shipping Vendor inquired about impeachment procedures within CSFA; But then again, motive behind inquiry might have been professional/personal conflict (President supports competitor)
2. Again, ALL officers should make a conscious effort of avoiding impropriety or the appearance of, especially when professional/personal interest collides with the good of the organization; The organization should not be used for professional/personal gain

VIII ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Next board meeting (May 11) at the Rivera's, Woodbury

IX MEETING EVALUATION

- A. Have agenda sent by email, before meeting
- B. Agenda to include time limit per topic; Discussion leaders to find out what needs to be discussed and for how long
- C. Need to distinguish b/w board and member meetings
- D. Start on time

XIII ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 10:53pm

#### XIV ATTENDANCE

1. Pearl Malit
2. Jasper Jonson
3. Therese Peterson
4. Ludy Bergenthal
5. Cesar Castillejos
6. Jeff Hiess
7. Meding Inghutt
8. Tessie Enanoza
9. Fe Castillejos
10. Linda Davis
11. Lourdes Rivera
12. Jannie Noren
13. Tessie Oconer
14. Ferdie Oconer

For Approval