Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes January 6, 2006 Bergenthal's Residence Minnetonka, MN

Meeting was called to order at 8:16pm and presided by Fe Castillejos, incoming Chairwoman of the Board

I WELCOME

Agenda, Nov/2005 minutes, B/S and P/L statements for 2005 year-end were handed out.

II APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- A. Agenda was reviewed, amended and approved by the body.
- B. VII-G-2: Tony volunteered to make 6 copies for officers who do not have a copy of the org's by-laws

III MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Nov/2005 minutes were reviewed and approved by the body.

IV FINANCIAL REPORT

- A. Minimal activity for November and December, 2005
- B. Memorial & Youth Account unchanged
- C. Caroling proceeds only received this year
- D. Brisk sales of Filipino-American Directory
- E. Odd amount for sales of Recipe book can be attributed to combo package (with old Directory) offered at Philippine Day
- F. Donations made will need to be itemized for 990-Filing; To date, total donations made amount to ~\$15K
- G. Established as an accrual-based org but ideally, better off as cash-based; Cannot be reversed, most orgs are set-up the same
 - 1. Cash-Based Example: Caroling proceeds reported when they were actually received i.e., Jan
 - 2. Accrual-Based Example: Caroling proceeds reported when they were delivered i.e., Dec
- H. Ludy to get address of Beau Pineda, designated recipient of \$500 donation per Pastor Olojan
- I. Shirley requested clarification on 2005 bazaar income; Any checks returned becomes donation and not necessarily FON-related For more information, please refer to written report handed out at the meeting

V COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. DANCE TROUPE -

- 1. Group was on hiatus during the Holiday season; Practice resumed on 1/5
- 2. Upcoming performances:
 - (i) 1/15 wedding reception have yet to be confirmed
 - (ii) Sinulog Festival have yet to receive invitation; Fr. Vic's tape/cd still with Gary
 - (iii) Pista ng Bayan have yet to receive invitation; Apologies sent to Ed Dizon for last year's no-show
 - (iv) 6/10 wedding reception confirmed
- 3. Approved budget, from awhile back, of \$500 for dance cds have yet to be used; Just a matter of buying and getting reimbursed

B. SUNSHINE -

1. Motion was made and approved to send card and flowers to Lani Schlundt, who will undergo radiation therapy for the growth in her larynx; Lani has been a big supporter of the org and its activities over the years

C. CHARITIES -

- 1. Available balance until June/2006 is <\$4K + Carol Funds; Latter not necessarily always designated for PCM (no running motion); Timing with FON needs to be considered always
- 2. Pioneer Press article made no mention of CSFA donation but was received; Donations received will be put towards purchase of house
- 3. Have yet to fulfill pledges for FON volunteer hours (\$15/4 hours)
- 4. Lately, lots of request (mostly urgent) channeled thru committee; May need to streamline review/approval process SEE ALSO 'Motions and Electronic Voting' (page 4-5)

D. MEMBERSHIP -

- 1. Electronic copies of brochure have been sent out; Contact Mar with any printing problems
- 2. Tonette working on printing the business cards
- 3. Newsletter articles deadline is set for 1/20, committee heads responsible for assigned events; Therese requests for a copy to be posted on website

VI BUSINESS-AT-HAND

- A. Post-Caroling Report/Assessment
 - 1. Raised approx. \$5K; Better return this year vs previous year
 - 2. Approx. 700 out of total came from pledges

- B. Post-Pasko sa Nayon Report/Assessment
 - 1. Copies of expense report were handed out; Doesn't include Randy's purchase of new Santa suit
 - 2. Very well attended; Much improved skit; Lots of door prizes; Good palengke sales
 - 3. Installation of donation box discouraged
 - 4. Received compliments like "homey", "family-oriented"; Randy's measure of success: longer length of time in Santa suit
 - 5. Ligaya was requested to write newsletter article

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- C. Filipino-American Directory Report
 - 1. FYI FMA planning to publish own Directory
 - 2. Glen to distribute copies for consignment sales
 - 3. Submit any corrections to Jose
 - 4. Therese to post web ad for Directory Sale; \$5 copy + \$2 s/h
 - 5. Glen to send bill + complimentary copy to advertisers who have yet to pay (FCC, FMA, FAWN, Easy Insurance c/o Jessica Cruz, Divine Mercy)

D. Bowling

- 1. Scheduled for 2/26, Sunday at Wells Lane (new management)
- 2. 20 lanes reserved; Targeting for at least 100 participants
- 3. 12nn registration; 1pm games begin; \$12 for 3 games (free shoe rental); same price for kids and adults
- 4. Potluck; Pearl to bring leftover paper products from Pasko sa Nayon
- 5. Nena has yet to purchase the trophies, takes about 2 weeks

E. Philippine Day

- 1. Linda not available
- 2. Scheduled for 3/19, Sunday
- F. Festival of Nations
 - 1. Scheduled for May 4-7, Thursday-Sunday; New FON chair by next year
 - 2. Packets have been distributed as follows:
 - (i) Tonette children's program
 - (ii) Fe/Linda bazaar
 - (iii) Ludy = café
 - (iv) Gary overall; adult's program
 - 3. Gary to request for 2 bazaar booths
 - 4. Café Introduction of new product : Turon
 - (i) can be purchased for \$1 and sold for \$2; addt'l competition for karioka, which is already the case with bubble tea
 - (ii) vs Karioka; Latter already has history and is just as interesting, if not more ("not chicken nuggets")
 - if coffee dropped from line of products and solely for volunteers, still get charged for energy consumption
 - 5. Shirley submitted bazaar proposal; Motion was made and approved to table the vote at the next Membership meeting

- (i) Doesn't mean Shirley's proposal (1500 + 20% consignment + 2 booths) has been rejected but to be fair and just to all
- (ii) Therese to post open bidding on web; Open not only to members but in accordance to FON & CSFA guidelines
- (iii) Gary to send out email on open bidding; Others encouraged to spread the word, as well; Deadline is 2/3, for submission to Gary
- 6. Offer exhibit to other orgs, next year; Also depends on available space
- 7. Passport/Stamp, Restaurant/Recipe questions to be addressed accordingly per FON guidelines
- 8. General Meeting on 2/19, 1pm

G. PAMANA VII

1. Schedule --- FALL 2006, sometime end of August, beginning of September: 31 Thursdays from Jan-Aug

Jan – Feb: review of dances

Mar - May: teach new dances

- 2. Committee held meeting last November
- 3. Costume inventory to be rescheduled when Lynn gets back; Ludy volunteers to help
- 4. To request favors from those going home to the Philippines, in procuring needed props, etc; Next shipment for Trademakers(Fe) is end of January
- 5. Gary & Glen King donated 12 shares of Medtronic, worth ~\$600.00; Everyone encouraged to locate grantors, sample grant application available
- 6. To invite members from other orgs in participating (separate practice schedule, if need be)
- 7. Simple souvenir program only, with paid advertisement, if any are interested
- 8. Strictly dancing; Will look into 'singing' (talent of others who wants to join but are non-dancers) for intermission
- 9. Everyone encouraged to solicit volunteers (dancers, set designers, make-up artists, tailors, bead enthusiasts, etc)
- 10. Most venues not entertaining requests at this time; Tentative reservation with Spring Lake Park (600+ capacity)
 - (i) 9/8, Friday dress rehearsal (\$125/hr)
 - (ii) 9/9, Gala and Matinee (\$200/hr)

H. Philippine Scholars

- 1. Gina has forwarded the email from Aldwin Malonzo
- 2. Pearl has received mail from Jenie Tortor

I. Youth Event

- 1. Half Moon Campsite has been reserved for 7/7-7/9; Reserved dates for Annual CSFA camp out to be corrected by Tony
- 2. Actual space needed depends on number of participants
- 3. For details, please contact Lynn

- J. Motions & Electronic Voting
 - 1. Most of research information obtained from website of Robert's Rules of Order
 - (i) Not recommended (unless specified in guidelines)
 - (ii) No opportunity for discussion; Decision made independently
 - (iii) Measure of quorum? member vs board
 - 2. Learning process: How an idea becomes a motion then discussed and voted upon without the confusion and sloppiness
 - 3. Copies of proposed guideline amendment were handed out; Discussion tabled for next membership meeting --- prevents the address of urgent requests between now and then
 - (i) Guidelines for 'urgency'
 - (ii) Allotted time to discuss proposal (24-48 hours?)
 - (iii) From web perspective, access to chat space for discussion, whereby informed decision can be reached
 - (iv) Alternative to internet: fax or phone call

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VII ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Next Meetings
 - 1. Membership, Feb 3, Gary & Glen King's Residence
 - 2. Board, Mar 3, Gary & Lita Paz's Residence
- B. 1/19, PAMANA General Orientation Meeting
- C. 1/22, SINULOG Festival
- D. FON Café Volunteer Sign-up Sheet going around

VIII ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 11:20pm.

ATTENDANCE

- 1) Pearl Malit
- 2) Fe Castillejos
- 3) Gary Paz
- 4) Nena Alojado
- 5) Therese Peterson
- 3) Therese retersor
- 6) Glen King
- 7) Tony Winick
- 8) Mar Alojado

- 9) Ligaya Carlos
- 10) Tonette Burkhart
- 11) Shirley Massie
- 12) Ed & Lorna Faustino
- 13) Jose & Lourdes Rivera
 - 14) Randy Tigue
