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**Regular Meeting Minutes
November 19, 2015**

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents (BOR) was called to order by BOR Chairperson William Leon Guerrero on November 19, 2015, at 5:30 p.m., in AV Room #1, University of Guam RFK Library, Tan Siu Lin Building, notice of such meeting having been duly and regularly provided by the BOR. Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero moved that the agenda be amended to add an item, 7.2 Election of BOR Chairperson, under Section 7.0 New Business, which was duly seconded. He explained that his official term expired on October 27, 2015, and that he is currently serving in an acting hold-over capacity for up to 90-days as allowed by Guam Law. He noted that the Governor has submitted the name of a regent-appointee to the Legislature for confirmation, and that it is possible that the individual may be confirmed prior to the next BOR meeting. Therefore, Chairperson Leon Guerrero stated that it would be prudent to elect a new Chairperson at today's meeting in order to allow a smooth transition for the BOR since his term will officially end upon the confirmation of a new regent.

QUORUM:

**William D. Leon Guerrero
Antoinette Sanford
Elvin Chiang
Chris Felix
Elizabeth Gayle
Mariflor Herrero**

**Chairperson
Vice Chairperson
Treasurer
Member
Member
Member**

ALSO PRESENT:

**Robert A. Underwood
Louise M. Toves
Victorina Y. Renacia**

**Executive Secretary
Recording Secretary
Legal Counsel**

2.0 MEETING MINUTES

2.1 Regular Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2015

Regent Gayle moved for the approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2015 as submitted, which was duly seconded. The motion carried.

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3.0 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero reported that Dr. W. Chris Perez, a long-serving BOR member and former Chairperson, passed away this past Saturday. He encouraged everyone to attend his funeral services, which are scheduled for Friday, November 27th. He then asked for a moment of silence in recognition of Dr. Perez' passing.

Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero then asked the professors present who were recently granted tenure to introduce themselves and to say a few words.

Dr. John Moss introduced himself and gave a short speech regarding his fantastic experiences teaching at UOG and his efforts to conduct and expand research on Guam as a professor of Sociology. He expressed his appreciation to the BOR for granting him tenure.

Dr. Curtis Rigsby introduced himself and thanked the BOR for the opportunity to serve UOG, the community and the region. He gave a short speech regarding his background, experiences and current service efforts, to include accompanying a group of students on a study-abroad experience in Macau.

Dr. Sharlene Santos-Bamba thanked the BOR for the invitation to be present tonight, and expressed appreciation for the support of the faculty and administration, and her experiences with her students, which contributed to her ability to obtain tenure. Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero congratulated them on receiving tenure.

Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero then asked President Underwood to proceed with his report.

4.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Underwood congratulated the three individuals on being granted tenure. He then gave the President's report, a copy of which is attached.

5.0 REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

5.1 Academic, Personnel, and Tenure Committee

5.1.1 Resolution No. 15-35, Relative to Amending the Administrator's Salary Scale, Faculty Salary Scale, and Sabbatical Salary Schedules based on the 2% Pay Adjustment Approved in the FY2016 Budget

Regent Gayle introduced Resolution No. 15-35, which was duly seconded. She gave the background leading to the introduction of the resolution. She invited SVP Enriquez to comment further, if needed, but SVP Enriquez indicated it was not necessary. The motion carried.

5.2 Student Affairs, Scholarship, Alumni Relations and Honorary Degree Committee

5.2.1 Resolution No. 15-36, Relative to Approving the Fall 2015 Commencement Graduate Listing

Regent Felix introduced Resolution No. 15-36, which was duly seconded. He noted that 263 graduates are anticipated. The motion carried.

5.2.2 Students' Appeal re: PROTECH Award Application

Regent Felix explained the nature of the appeal being presented, noting that while chiropractic studies is not specifically listed on the Career Priority Listing (CPL), the practice is considered part of the allied health field. He stated that the Financial Aid Office brief reports that other professions in the allied health are included in the CPL and in consideration of that, it was recommended that the denial of their applications be rescinded. Regent Felix moved that the BOR approve the recommendation of the administration to grant each of the two appellant-students a Protech award for the 2015-2016 award year, which was duly seconded. The motion carried.

5.3 Budget, Finance, Investments and Audit Committee

5.3.1 Financial Update

Regent Chiang gave a brief report on the BFIA committee meeting, to include a synopsis of the unaudited FY2015 Financial Statement, status of the FY2015 audit and the status of Government of Guam allotment payments for both FY2015 and FY2016.

5.3.2 Collections Report

Regent Chiang reported that the collections for FY2015 exceeded the forecast by 58% (\$174,065).

5.3.3 Procurement Transactions and Contracts Report

Regent Chiang reported that in the month of October, there were no purchase orders over \$100,000 and three (3) contracts over \$100,000. The three contracts included the following: 1) a contract from the U.S. Department of Interior for the U.S. Geological Survey Joint Fund Agreement for WERI to continue the cooperative water-resource monitoring program for FY2016, 2) A contract between the Guam Department of Education with CEDDERS to obtain professional development services for the Guam Summer Advanced Placement ("AP") Institute, and 3) a contract between Guam Waterworks Authority and WERI for water resource monitoring, laboratory analysis, modeling, management, water quality assessment and the acquisition of pertinent baseline data associated with the management of freshwater resources.

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5.3.4 Resolution No. 15-37, Relative to Authorizing the University of Guam Administration to enter into an Investment Advisory Services Contract

Regent Chiang explained that three proposals were received in response to the RFP for Investment Advisory Services and that a unanimous recommendation was made to select Raymond James as UOG's replacement investment advisor. Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero excused himself from the matter due to a conflict of interest since he is employed by Bank of Guam, which is one of the responders to the RFP. He asked that Vice Chairperson Sanford assume the Chairpersonship for this portion of the meeting. Vice Chairperson Sanford accepted and assumed the temporary Chairpersonship. Regent Chiang then introduced Resolution No. 15-37, which was duly seconded. Regent Herrero stated for the record that she is a major shareholder of Bank of Guam. Regent Chiang stated for the record that he does not have any equity interest with nor is he related to any of the three firms that submitted proposals, however, he is a long-time partner of Mr. Oscar Miyashita, who is the father of Jason Miyashita, who is an executive of the recommended firm, Raymond James. He noted that he joined the BOR to serve the University's interests and will cast his vote accordingly. Regent Felix seconded the Resolution. Vice Chairperson Sanford asked if there were any objections to either Regent Herrero or Regent Chiang voting on this Resolution given their disclosures. There being no objections, she asked if there was any discussion needed. There being no discussion needed, she called for the vote and the motion carried. Acting Chairperson Sanford then relinquished the Chairpersonship to Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero, who then continued the meeting.

5.4 Physical Facilities Committee

5.4.1 Facilities Update

Regent Gayle provided a brief report on the Committee meeting, which was held on November 13, 2015, noting there are no action items before the BOR today.

6.0 AD HOC REPORT: ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION UPDATE

President Underwood gave a brief report, noting that the UOG Endowment Foundation will be issuing a request to UOG Alumni to donate through an annual giving program. The target for the coming year is for 5% of the alumni to commit to a donation.

7.0 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Resolution No. 15-38, Relative to Expressing Condolences to the Family of the Late Dr. Walter Chris Perez

Regent Sanford introduced Resolution No. 15-38, which was duly seconded. She noted that his passing is a loss to our community, and that his leadership and mentorship has benefitted many, to include the University. She expressed appreciation to his family on behalf of the BOR for their support of his service to UOG. The motion carried.

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7.2 Election of BOR Chairperson

Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero opened the floor for nominations to the position of Chairperson. Regent Felix moved that Vice Chairperson Sanford be nominated for the position, which was duly seconded. There being no further nominations, Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero closed the nominations and called for the vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Due to the election of Vice Chairperson Sanford to the position of Chairperson, Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero called for nominations to fill the position of Vice Chairperson will she will vacate. Regent Herrero moved that Regent Gayle be nominated for the position of Vice Chairperson, which was duly seconded. There being no further nominations, Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero called for the vote. The motion carried unanimously.

The newly elected Chairperson and Vice Chairperson were congratulated by Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero and applauded by all present.

8.0 OPEN PRESENTATION (3 Minute Limit per Person)

Faculty Union President Dr. Don Platt congratulated the newly elected officers and extended his appreciation to Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero for his service to UOG over the past eight years. Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero thanked Dr. Platt for his statement.

9.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session held.

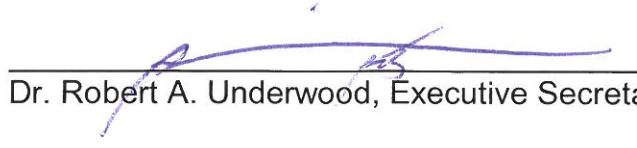
10.0 ADJOURNMENT

Regent Gayle moved that the meeting be adjourned, which was duly seconded and passed. Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.



Antoinette D. Sanford, Chairperson

ATTESTED:



Dr. Robert A. Underwood, Executive Secretary

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

November 19, 2015

1. Mourning

I would like to take a moment of silence in recognition of the passing of Dr. W. Chris Perez this past Saturday. Dr. Perez was appointed to the UOG Board of Regents on October 31, 2006, until his service ended on August 18, 2014. He served as BOR Vice Chairperson from April 18, 2008 to April 26, 2012, and as BOR Chairperson from April 26, 2012 to April 17, 2014. He was also an avid supporter of the UOG Senior Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

2. WASC Update

We met with our Accreditation Team on November 13th via Skype. The five members of their team met directly with myself, SVP Enriquez, VPAF Wiegand, Faculty Senate President Kate Moots and Institutional Researcher Dee Leon Guerrero. This meeting serves as a prelude to the planned April on-site visit. The Chairman of our Review Team is President Sheley of Cal State Stanislaus. They complimented us on our progress to date and outlined five "lines of inquiry" which will be the focus of their review. The lines of inquiry did not include any attention to our finances or our governance issues. In fact we were complimented on our "financial stewardship" and the G2G initiative. They are interested in assessing the progress, the time frame and level of engagement of our G2G effort. We do have some issues attended to program prioritization, program review and institution-wide assessment of programs, particularly the graduate programs. A written report will be sent to us in a few days and we will share it with the BOR as well as the UOG community. We will plan a WASC accreditation workshop for the BOR during the early part of next year in order to make the April visit more productive.

3. Fall 2015 Commencement

The anticipated Fall 2015 graduation rate (263) is approximately 10% more than Fall 2014 (237). Our retention efforts over the next two years should continue to result in higher completion outcomes, and if they continue to exceed our enrollment increase (3%), we will eventually graduate nearly everyone on time. Our commencement speaker is Mr. Richard Lui, MSNBC and NBC News Anchor.

4. 2015 Distinguished Alumni Award recipients

The University of Guam Alumni Association and Office of Development and Alumni Affairs announced the winners of the 2015 UOG Distinguished Alumni Awards during this year's Alumni Reunion held November 14 at the Lotte Hotel Guam. The award is given to those who demonstrate a high level of distinction and achievement through scholarship, research, teaching, creative contributions to the arts or sciences, and/or service to society. They must also exhibit a high degree of character and integrity, civic and University involvement, and whose achievements have local, national or international significance.

This year's recipients are: **Alpha Espina**, Teacher, Guam Department of Education, BA Secondary Education, 1988; **Carmelita Gogue**, Vice President and General Manager of Marianas Finance Corporation, BBA 1996 and MBA 1999; **Brigadier General Roderick Leon Guerrero**, Adjutant General, Guam National Guard, BA Political Science, 1989; **Zennia Pecina**, Assistant Administrator of Nursing Services, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority, BSN Nursing, 1997; **William Pesch**, Business Owner, Guam Family Law Office, MA Micronesian Studies, 2001; **Roy Tsutsui**, Senior Political-Military Affairs Policy Advisor and Coordinating Officer Representative, Joint Region Marianas, BA Biology, 1979. Congratulations to all of the winners and to Norman Analista and the UOG Alumni Association for their hard work in organizing this event.

5. Triton's Call 50th Anniversary

The University of Guam Communication Society and local chapter of the National Communication Association Lambda Pi Eta hosted the 50th Anniversary celebration of Triton's Call, UOG's only students' newspaper. Since 1965 it has been an instrument of information and news for UOG students and community. Nearly 150 people, including current members of the Triton's Call staff, honored past editors and influential writers that helped establish a long legacy of greatness in the field of journalism. *Triton's Call* reporters, editors, photographers, designers, and contributors are all students studying at the University.

6. APIASF

UOG and Guam Community College raised \$27,200 for the Asian and Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund (APIASF) during a "Stay at Home" fundraiser held on May 30, 2015 at the Hilton Guam Resort & Spa. The event was hosted by GCC President Dr. Mary Okada and UOG President Dr. Robert Underwood and sponsored by DFS T Galleria and First Hawaiian Bank. With the funds raised from the event, APIASF will award \$2,500 scholarships each to five UOG students and five GCC students with the balance remaining going to the APIASF general scholarship fund.

APIASF was founded by active corporate citizenship and was launched in large part through private sector funds. UOG President Dr. Robert Underwood was the founding Chairman of the APIASF board and continues to serve as a board member. APIASF provides scholarships for Asian American and Pacific Islander serving institutions across the United States. In the past year, 18 students from GCC and 14 students from UOG were awarded APIASF scholarships totaling over \$87,000.

7. Calvo Field House

A Ribbon-cutting ceremony was held on October 8th to celebrate the completion of renovations to the UOG Calvo Field House's main arena. The renovations—which total \$1.03 million—include safer, automated bleacher systems that are ADA compliant and include proper railing and new access points; UV resistant window shades; a new, energy-efficient air-conditioning system; a refinished wood floor and a new floor covering system. Assistant Secretary for the U.S. Department of Interior's Office of Insular Affairs Esther Kia'aina said the collaborative efforts between her office, the local

government and the University to identify funding helped make the entire project run smoothly.

8. UOG Endowment Foundation Chef's Cup

The 12th Annual Celebrity Chef's Cup was held on Wed, November 4th at the Sheraton Laguna Resort with 450 people in attendance. The Endowment paid tribute to the late Thomas "Jerry" Calvo for his contribution to the Foundation and the UOG community. This Chef's Cup netted \$31,000 and all proceeds are utilized for operations for the Foundation. Please join me in congratulating Executive Director Janiece Sablan and her team. They did an excellent job in coordinating this sold-out event.

9. Students

Seven students were inducted into the University of Guam's Lambda Pi Eta chapter of the National Communication Honors Society. Kreeshia Aquino, Eric Bacarella, Swetha Kotwal, Yvonne Manglona, John Mugol, Erica Pangelinan, and Rianne Peredo were inducted by Dr. Lilnabeth Somera, the chapter adviser. To qualify for Lambda Pi Eta this fall, each student achieved a grade point average of 3.25 or higher in communication courses, a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher, and reached junior standing by the end of the spring 2015 semester.

The University of Guam Triton Warrior Battalion celebrated the achievements of its cadets with an award ceremony, congratulating the 13 newest contractees and awarding around \$427,000 in scholarship money to several cadets. Cadets Belizabeth Rengil, Maryann Cruz, Maria R. Marinas, Richard V. Pizarro, Xiangdan J. Han, Jhon Michael Delfin, Christopher R. Winterlee, Alejo Lujan, Joyce H. Borja, Phillip Taijeron, Johnroy Prez, Shannon N. Reyes, and Don Olkerill were all contracted into the ROTC program on September 11. Among them, six were awarded the National Scholarship worth about \$10,300 per year, which is given to cadets at each ROTC battalion that have competed for scholarships nationwide. The scholarships are managed through the United States Army Cadet Command. Cadets Christopher Andrada, Lowella Di Ramos, Ashley Torres, and John Roy Perez were awarded the Henry Ofeciar Army Scholarship worth about \$9,500 per year. More than 20 UOG Triton Warriors traveled to Fort Knox, Kentucky over the summer to complete either Cadet Initial Entry Training or the Cadet Leadership Course. Five other cadets completed the Cultural Understanding and Language Proficiency Program, which takes cadets to places like Hungary, Indonesia, Romania and the Philippines to work and train with the militaries of those countries while gaining knowledge of their culture.

With friends and family gathered to celebrate, the UOG 54th Student Government Association members were inaugurated at a ceremony at UOG campus September 27. Members of the 54th SGA are: Senators Austin Terlaje, Lewis "Luke" Santos, Eric Rabago, Fani Poll, Polar Idesou-Ngiralulk, Darryl Navarro, Mitchell Charlamagne "MC" Johnson, Morael Escalona, Elvin De Leon, John Ronald Darag and Joseph Conolly; SGA President Jericho Michael Tobias, Vice President Samantha David, Treasurer Kevin Balajadia, and Secretary Dyanna Keiji.

10. Recognition

Royce Gracie, a pioneer of mixed martial arts (MMA) and UFC Hall of Famer, was the 28th speaker in the University of Guam's Presidential Lecture Series. His lecture was entitled "The History and Philosophy of Gracie Jiu-jitsu." Royce Gracie is one of the most prolific and influential mixed martial arts (MMA) athletes in the sport's history. He became an "underdog" hero while changing the landscape of combat sports and revolutionizing martial arts. After winning the first UFC tournaments (UFC1, UFC2, UFC4), he proved that with the knowledge of Brazilian Jiu Jitsu, a "David" could beat a "Goliath." Royce is the only fighter in modern MMA history to defeat four opponents in the same night; unlike today, these tournaments had no weight divisions, no time limits and no real rules. He holds the record for submission victories in the UFC at 11. In 2003, Royce was the first fighter inducted into the UFC Hall of Fame.

Hosted by UOG and the Philippine Consulate General, the University of Guam's 6th Philippine Lecture Series featured world-renowned economist Dr. Bernardo Villegas whose lecture was titled, "The Philippines: The New Asian Tiger."

Demonstrating excellence and motivation to improve government operations, twelve University of Guam employees were among more than 100 individuals nominated and featured in the Association of Government Accountants *Who's Who in the Government of Guam 40 Years and Under* publication. This recognition was given to government employees 40 years old and under who demonstrate leadership skills and work to improve GovGuam. The twelve UOG employees that were featured are Research Assistant at the UOG Marine Lab David Burdick, Assistant Professor of Public Administration Dr. John Rivera, Instructor at the College of Natural and Applied Sciences Joliene Hasugulayag, Director of Integrated Marketing Communications Jonas Macapinlac, Assistant Professor of Social Work Tricia Lizama, Instructor and MARC Editor Kisha Borja-Quichocho, Assistant Professor of Chamorro Studies Dr. Michael Lujan Bevacqua, Director of Development and Alumni Affairs Norman Analista, Acting Associate Budget and Processing Officer Rachel Field Cubacub, Assistant Professor of Geography Dr. Romina King, Assistant Professor of Health Science Dr. Yvette Paulino, and Managing Editor of University Press Victoria-Lola Leon Guerrero.

The UOG College of Natural and Applied Sciences (CNAS) held a community brainstorming session to garner information on the environment-, family-, and resource-related issues Guam faces. More than 150 people including representatives from both public and private agencies, community members and the CNAS faculty spent the morning identifying issues within these four areas: agriculture and gardening; natural resource quality and use; families, youth, and community; and nutrition, health and food.

The Richard Flores Taitano Micronesian Area Research Center (MARC) at the University of Guam is launching its latest publication entitled Children of Chuuk Lagoon by Dr. Mary L. Spencer this evening at the UOG CLASS Lecture Hall. The book presents Spencer's research on the daily lives of contemporary 6-to-14-year-old school children in Romonum Island in the Chuuk Lagoon. It features recorded observations of Romonum children in home, school, and community settings. The book also includes testimonies from family members, educators, and community leaders regarding the goals

they have for their children's future in light of accelerated migration and rapid social change in Romonum.

Dr. Yukiko Inoue-Smith announced the release of her new book, *A Jungle Named Academia, Approaches to Self-Development and Growth* published by Hamilton Books. Dr. Smith is a professor of Educational Psychology and Research at the UOG School of Education and has published several other books previously.

Co-authored by University of Guam Professor of Biology Dr. Chris Lobban, the second edition of Seaweed Ecology and Physiology was recently honored by the Phycological Society of America with the prestigious Gerald W. Prescott Award. The award is given to scholarly work devoted to phycology, which is the scientific study of algae. The book—whose first edition was co-authored by Lobban and Professor Emeritus Paul Harrison from the Department of Earth and Ocean Sciences at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, Canada—was revised by lead-author Associate Professor Catriona Hurd from the Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies at the University of Tasmania in Australia and Head of the Department of Marine Botany Kai Bischof from the University of Bremen in Germany. It focuses on how various seaweeds not only interact with their environments but also respond to environmental changes. Following revisions, the second edition was published last year and honored with the award this August.