# UNIVERSITY OF GUAM UNIBETSEDAT GUAHAN

# **Board of Regents**

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# Regular Meeting Minutes May 16, 2012

## 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents (BOR) was called to order on May 16, 2012, 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 Board.

#### QUORUM:

W. Chris Perez
Kathy Sgro
John Arroyo
P. Sonny Ada
William Leon Guerrero
Antoinette Sanford
Anthony Quenga

Chairperson Vice Chairperson Treasurer

Member Member Member Member Member

## ALSO PRESENT:

Robert A. Underwood Louise M. Toves Victorina M.Y. Renacia Executive Secretary Recording Secretary Legal Counsel

## 2.0 MEETING MINUTES

# 2.1 Regular Meeting Minutes of April 26, 2012

Regent Sgro moved for approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 26, 2012 subject to corrections, which was duly seconded. The motion carried.

## 3.0 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairperson Perez welcomed Regent Anthony Quenga, the new Student Regent, and thanked him for his willingness to serve. He advised Regent Quenga that he will sit on the same committees as the previous Student Regent, Joseph Villagomez. He then commended former Regent Villagomez for his service as Student Regent. Chairperson Perez congratulated newly elected Vice Chairperson Sgro and Treasurer Arroyo, thanking them for their desire to serve. He then asked for a moment of silence to remember Regent Arroyo's father who passed away

recently. He thanked Sonny Ada for his service as Chairperson, and continuing the legacy of service to the University established by his father. He noted former Chairperson Ada represented UOG as a member of the Governor's delegation to Okinawa and the upcoming delegation to Taipei. Chairperson Perez thanked Regent Laguaña for his service, noting that he is currently off-island to attend his investiture ceremony into the American Institute of Architects' College of Fellows, which recognizes architects who have made a significant contribution to architecture and who have achieved a standard of excellence in the profession. He then thanked Regent Sanford for accepting her newly elected position as BOR representative to the Regent Nominating Council.

Chairperson Perez reported that UOG's celebration of its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary continues this month with recognition of social work, nursing, psychology, health services and other social science programs. He noted the monthly partner for May is Froots. He then noted that commencement will be held on May 27<sup>th</sup> and he extended congratulations to the over 300 anticipated graduates who will be receiving degrees, approximately 70 of which will be graduate degrees. He closed by thanking the faculty, staff and administration for all their efforts contributing to the completion of another successful academic year.

## 4.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Underwood asked for a moment of silence in recognition of the passing of UOG student Alexander John ("AJ") Miralles. He then reported that the University sponsored an evening of service during the rosary for AJ and held a memorial service at UOG. He noted that he has been meeting with the parents and a report on the internal review will be issued tomorrow. He stated that it has been a very difficult time, most particularly for the family, and believes they are appreciative of the University's efforts

He then gave his report, a copy of which is attached. He reported that he traveled to Washington DC and brought the Big G with him. He stated that President Obama and other dignitaries had their photos taken with the Big G, which he hopes to use to promote the University and its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. He noted that Founders Day will be held on June 29<sup>th</sup>, the Founders Day Gala will be held on June 30<sup>th</sup>, and Presidential Forum will be held on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. He stated that presidents from the University of the Virgin Islands, Mapua Institute of Technology, University of the Philippines, Fiji National University, University of Hawaii (Hilo), Lehman College (New York) and a representative from the Pacific Post-secondary Education Council will be participating. He also noted that he is personally involved in the efforts are ongoing to form the Asian Pacific Islander Association of Colleges and Universities and that he is co-chair of the organization, which hopes to promote not only funding, but participation into a greater number of programs and opportunities. He also noted that Secretary of Transportation, Ray LaHood, will be the commencement speaker at the upcoming ceremony.

## 5.0 REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

## 5.1 Academic, Personnel, and Tenure Committee

Regent Sgro reported that a joint AP&T and SASARHD committee meeting on May 9<sup>th</sup>.

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She noted that two action items will be addressed under the AP&T report, while two will be addressed under the SASARHD report. She noted that recommendations regarding tenure for two professors and one for recommendation regarding emeritus professorship will be made under executive session.

5.1.1 Resolution No. 12-10, Relative to Revising the Administrative Salary Schedule for the Director for Professional and International Programs (PIP)

Regent Sgro introduced Resolution No. 12-10, which was duly seconded. The motion carried.

5.1.2 Resolution No. 12-11, Relative to Revising the List of Administrative Positions and Administrative Salary Schedule to Include MARC Director

Regent Sgro introduced Resolution No. 12-11, which was duly seconded. The motion carried.

- 5.2 Student Affairs, Scholarship, Alumni Relations and Honorary Degree Committee
  - 5.2.1 Resolution No. 12-12, Relative to Awarding the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Humane Letters to the Honorable Ray LaHood, U.S. Secretary of Transportation

Regent Quenga introduced Resolution No. 12-12, which was duly seconded. The motion carried.

5.2.2 Resolution No. 12-13, Relative to Awarding the Honorary Degree of Masters of Micronesian Traditional Knowledge to Mr. Jesus Charfauros

Regent Quenga introduced Resolution No. 12-13, which was duly seconded. The motion carried.

5.3 Budget, Finance, Investments and Audit Committee

Regent Arroyo provided a report on the joint Budget, Finance, Investments and Audit Committee and Investment Committee meeting.

5.3.1 Resolution No. 12-14, Relative to Authorizing the Signing of Checks and Corporate Resolutions and Opening or Closing Bank Accounts or Credit Facilities

Regent Arroyo introduced Resolution No. 12-14, which was duly seconded. The motion carried.

## 5.4 Physical Facilities Update

## 5.4.1 Plant and Facilities Update

Regent Leon Guerrero reported that there was no meeting this month. Chairman Perez asked the President to comment on efforts to obtain financing for the student center. President Underwood noted that alternative funding opportunities are currently being explored and a special meeting will be requested should it become necessary.

## 6.0 AD HOC REPORT: ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION UPDATE

There was no report.

## 7.0 NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Perez asked Regent Sgro to provide an update on the Presidential Evaluation Process. Regent Sgro reported that the efforts are ongoing and a schedule has been set to complete the evaluation by the next BOR meeting.

7.1 Resolution No. 12-15 Relative to Expressing Appreciation to Joseph Villagomez for his Service as a Student Member of the Board of Regents

Regent Leon Guerrero introduced Resolution No. 12-15, which was duly seconded. The motion carried.

# 8.0 OPEN PRESENTATION (3 Minute Limit per Person)

Chairman Perez opened the floor for open presentations.

Dr. Don Platt, Chairperson of the Faculty Union, reported that Union elections were held on May 4<sup>th</sup> and all committee members were re-elected, as well himself as Chairperson for the 12<sup>th</sup> year. Chairperson Platt noted his title should be President, but the Union bylaws need to be changed to reflect that. He expressed his appreciation Regent Ada for his service on the board and thanked Regent Sanford for her service on the RNC.

Chairperson Perez called for a short break, after which the BOR would enter Executive Session.

## 9.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

9.1 Recommendation from the Academic, Personnel and Tenure Committee on the Tenure Application of Dr. Douglas S. Farrer, Associate Professor of Anthropology

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- 9.2 Recommendation from the Academic, Personnel and Tenure Committee on the Tenure Application of Dr. Richard Fee, Associate Professor of Special Education
- 9.3 Recommendation from the Academic, Personnel and Tenure Committee on the Professor Emeritus Application of Dr. Daniel Robertson, Professor of English and Applied Linguistics

#### 10.0 VOTING FILE

Upon returning to Open Session, Chairperson Perez opened the floor to address the recommendations as discussed in Executive Session.

# 10.1 Tenure Application of Dr. Douglas S. Farrer

Regent Sgro moved that the Tenure application of Dr. Douglas Farrer be approved, which was duly seconded. The motion carried. Chairperson Perez asked that Dr. Farrer be notified and invited to attend the next BOR meeting to allow the BOR to meet him.

## 10.2 Tenure Application of Dr. Richard Fee

Regent Sgro moved for consideration of the Tenure application of Dr. Richard Fee, which was duly seconded. Chairperson Perez called the question and the application was unanimously disapproved.

# 10.3 Professor Emeritus Application of Dr. Daniel Robertson

Regent Sgro moved that the Professor Emeritus application of Dr. Daniel Robertson be granted, which was duly seconded. Regent Leon Guerrero noted for the record that Dr. Robertson is his brother-in-law. The motion carried.

## 11.0 ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Perez adjourned the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

Chris Perez, Chairperson

ATTESTED:

Dr. Robert A. Underwood, Executive Secretary

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT May 16, 2012

#### 1. Students

Fourteen University of Guam students are heading off island after classes end this semester to spend their summers at various locales from Cost Rica to Japan as well as various universities across the nation. These are some of the opportunities available to University of Guam students which the selected students will be participating in: the Ralph Bunche Summer Institute at Duke University in North Carolina, Native American and Pacific Islander Research Experience (NAPIRE) at the Las Cruces Biological Research Station, Costa Rica; International Symposium: Human Well-being and the Marine Environment in the Pacific Islands at Okinawa, Japan; Institute for Pure and Applied Mathematics summer Program at UCLA; University of Michigan's School of Public Health summer rogram: Future Public Health Leadership Program; University of Hawaii at Manoa Undergraduate Research and Mentoring in the Biological Sciences program; University of Massachusetts Medical School Summer Undergraduate Research Opportunity; ROTC's Cultural Understanding and Language Proficiency Program at the Ukraine, Rwanda and Taiwan; and North Carolina State University's Research Experience for Undergraduates.

# 2. Recognition

UOG Fundamentals of Marketing students decided to establish a computer lab at the George Washington High School campus to fulfill their spring 2012 class project and to promote higher education. The opening ceremony will be held at the George Washington High School campus (Room C205), at 10:00 am on May 18, 2012. Twenty-seven students, together with the Andersen Air Force Base, Equipment Control Office, Department of Education Facilities and Maintenance Division, and other island community partners, will showcase a thirty-unit computer lab that will be used by the Business-Math Department. The computer lab will make it possible for the Junior Achievement Banks-in-Action Program to be taught at George Washington High School. Additionally, ten computers will be given to the George Washington High School counselors to be used for college counseling.