# UNIVERSITY OF GUAM UNIBETSEDAT GUAHAN

# **Board of Regents**

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# Regular Meeting Minutes November 18, 2010

# 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents (BOR) was called to order on November 18, 2010, at 5:40 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. Chairman Ada noted for the record that a quorum is present.

#### QUORUM:

P. Sonny Ada W. Chris Perez Cynthia Henson Kathy Sgro William Leon Guerrero John Arroyo Marcos Fong Chairman Vice Chairman Treasurer Member Member Member Member

#### ALSO PRESENT:

Helen J.D. Whippy Louise M. Toves Victorina M. Renacia Acting Executive Secretary Recording Secretary Legal Counsel

## 2.0 MEETING MINUTES

# 2.1 Regular Meeting Minutes of September 30, 2010

Regent Henson moved for approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 30, 2010, which was duly seconded. The motion carried.

### 3.0 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman Ada recognized Dr. Todd Ames and Dr. Margaret Hattori-Uchima, who were granted tenure by the BOR at the last meeting, and invited them to say a few words. Dr. Hattori-Uchima expressed her appreciation to everyone and stated that she would continue to do her best to contribute to the excellence of the University's Nursing

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Dr. Ames also expressed his appreciation and that he will continue to do his best in support of the University and the region.

Chairman Ada reported that he sent a congratulatory letter on behalf of the BOR to President Underwood for receiving the Higher Education Award from the Asian and Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund. He reported that President Underwood communicated his appreciation to the BOR for the letter. He also noted that the BOR members are asked to support Bill 446, which addresses funding for the Student Services Center and the School of Engineering Annex, at a legislative session to be held on Monday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

#### 4.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Acting President Whippy gave the President's report, a summary of which is attached.

Vice Chairman noted that the Strategic Planning and Budget retreat is actually scheduled for December 10, 2010, not October.

#### 5.0 REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

5.1 Academic, Personnel, and Tenure Committee

# 5.1.1 Hay Study Update

Regent Sgro deferred discussion on this until the BFIA Committee report.

# 5.1.2 Resolution No. 10-29, Relative to Approving the Fall 2010 Commencement Graduate Listing

Regent Sgro introduced Resolution No. 10-29 and moved for its approval, which was duly seconded. She noted that there are 180 Graduates, and that the commencement speaker will be Rear Admiral Gumataotao, a native of Sinajana and an alumnus of Father Duenas High School. The motion carried. Regent Sgro also noted that commencement is scheduled for Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m.

# 5.1.3 Resolution No. 10-30, Relative to Revising the List of Administrative Positions and Administrative Salary Schedule

Regent Sgro introduced Resolution No. 10-30 and moved for its approval, which was duly seconded. She gave the justification for the recommended change of the position of Bursar to Assistant Comptroller/Bursar. The motion carried.

- 5.2 Student Affairs, Scholarship, Alumni Relations and Honorary Degree Committee
  - 5.2.1 Resolution No. 10-31, Relative to Approving the

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Recommendation of the Student Affairs Scholarship, Alumni Relations and Honorary Degree Committee during its Meeting of November 12, 2010 on the Career Priority Listing for AY 2011-2012

Vice Chairman Perez introduced Resolution No. 10-31 and moved for its approval, which was duly seconded. The motion carried.

# 5.3 Budget, Finance, Investments and Audit Committee

## 5.3.1 Financial Update

Regent Henson provided the financial update. She noted that a total of \$3M in allotment payments is in arrears for FY2010. She provided a report on the impact of the Hay Study on the University, and asked VPAF O'Brien to report on the implementation of the anticipated pay adjustments. VPAF O'Brien noted that the adjustments are for all classified employees government-wide, and is effective October 1, 2010. He noted that implementation is based on the availability of funds and that the University is awaiting release of the allotment set aside to fund the adjustments in the FY2011 Budget Law. The University is prepared to implement the adjustment, once the allotment is paid. Regent Henson reported on the Cola reimbursement update and gave an investment update. She noted that the FY2010 audit has started and will be finished in January 2011 and presented for review at the February BOR meeting. She also announced the upcoming FY2012 Strategic Planning and Budget Retreat.

# 5.3.2 Collections Report

Regent Henson referred the Regents to view the report on page 57 as provided in the electronic packet. She noted that the Bursar's forecast for FY2011 is \$625k.

# 5 3.3 Procurement Transactions and Contracts Report

Regent Henson referred the Regents to view the report on Page 58 as provided in the electronic packet. She reported that during the month of October 2010 there were no purchase orders over \$100K. There was one contract over \$100,000 with the Guam Community College for \$306,613 for UOG SNHS to provide administrative services for Basic/Core Area Health Education Centers.

# 5.4 Physical Facilities Update

# 5.4.1 Plant and Facilities Update

Regent Leon Guerrero asked CPFO Perez to provide the Plant and Facilities Update as he was absent from the last committee meeting. CPFO Perez reported on electric and backup generator issues and provided an ARRA Stimulus update. He stated that a timeline for the student services center unveiling should be available by February 2011.

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# 5.4.2 Resolution No. 10-32, Relative to Updating the Physical Master Plan for the Addition of a School of Engineering Annex and a Reflection Center

Regent Leon Guerrero introduced Resolution No. 10-32 and moved for its approval, which was duly seconded. Regent Leon Guerrero reported on the plans and the outcome of the public hearing held relative to these plans. The motion carried.

# 6.0 AD HOC REPORT: ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION UPDATE

UOG Endowment Foundation (UOGEF) Ex-Officio Director John Arroyo indicated he had no new information to report.

#### 7.0 NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to report.

# 8.0 OPEN PRESENTATION (3 Minute Limit per Person)

Chairman Ada opened the floor for open presentations.

DIMC Director Cathleen Moore-Linn reported that UOG merchandise is now available for purchase at Kmart, the result of a year long effort.

At 6:20pm, Regent Fong made a motion that the BOR enter executive session, which was duly seconded. The motion carried.

## 9.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

# 9.1.1 Litigation Matter

Legal Counsel informed the BOR of recent and potential litigation matters.

#### 10.0 ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Ada returned the meeting to open session. Regent Leon Guerrero moved that the meeting be adjourned, which was duly seconded. The motion carried and Chairman Ada adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

P. Sonny Ada, Chairman

ALIESTED.

Dr. Robert A. Underwood, Executive Secretary

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT November 18, 2010

#### 1. Travel

President Underwood has been off-island since November 4, 2010 in order to attend the Office of Naval Research Naval S&T Partnership Conference and to meet with federal officials in Washington D.C.; to attend the Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund (APIASF) Benefit and meeting in New York, to attend the 123<sup>rd</sup> Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities Annual Meeting in Texas, and to meet with University of Iowa and University of Michigan Officials. He will be returning to Guam on November 22, 2010.

# 2. Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund Higher Education Award

University of Guam President Robert A. Underwood received the Higher Education Award from the Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund on November 10 for his long-standing commitment to education and efforts to increase access to education for Asian and Pacific Islander American students during the APIASF's Today's Minds, Tomorrow's Future Scholarship Benefit in New York. Underwood was the first chair of the Board of Directors when it began in 2004. It is now the largest scholarship fund serving the Asian & Pacific Islander community.

#### 3. Presidential Lecture Series

Jon M. Van Dyke, Esq., a constitutional law scholar and professor at the University of Hawaii at Manoa's William S. Richardson School of Law was featured at the 10<sup>th</sup> presentation of the UOG Presidential Lecture Series. The presentation, "The Status of Guam and Chamorro People under United States and International Law," was held on November 10<sup>th</sup> in collaboration with the Judiciary of Guam, the District Court of Guam, and the Guam Bar Association.

#### 4. Grants

Pacific Islander students who need assistance in developing their math skills will have more support thanks to a five-year \$1.3M grant from the U.S. Department of Education Asian American and Native American Pacific Island Serving Institution Program. In Chamorro, the term Kubre means to help out or assit. This grant program is entitled Kubre because it focuses on ensuring that students, and particularly first-year Pacific Islander freshmen, receive quality academic and support services such as tutoring, mentoring, supplemental instruction, and career exploration.

The University of Guam Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research, & Service (Guam CEDDERS), in partnership with University of Massachusetts - Boston, has been awarded a Personnel Preparation grant from the US Department of Education, Office of Special

Education Programs, to administer the Pacific Vision Instruction Project (Pacific VIP) Master's Degree Program. This four-year grant aims to increase the pool of fully credentialed instructional personnel who are highly qualified to educate students who are blind or have visual impairments. Pacific VIP provides scholarships leading to a Master of Education in Special Education degree, plus dual credentials in Teacher of Visual Impairments (TVI) and Orientation and Mobility (O&M).

The University of Guam's Micronesian Area Research Center received a \$15K grant from the National Geographic Society / Waitt Grants Program to conduct archaeological and paleoenvironmental investigations at Marigondon Cave, located in Cebu, Philippines.

# 5. Recognition

The echinoderms - starfish, sea urchins and their kin - is the next major group of organisms to be documented in the U.S. National Science Foundation's Assembling the Tree of Life project. A University of Guam scientist, Alexander M Kerr, will join an international team from ten institutions in using genetic information from modern species, as well as data from fossils dating back more than 500 million years to figure out precisely where echinoderms fit into the history of all life. The \$3 million initiative begins in January 2011. Collaborating institutions for this project are the universities of Guam, Michigan, and Tennessee; Abilene Christian, Duke, West Virginia, Louisiana State and Nova Southeastern universities; and the University of California, San Diego's Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

The Asian Association of Agricultural Colleges and Universities (AAACU) held their biennial convention in Guam from October 27 – 30. Dean of the College of Natural and Applied Sciences Lee Yudin is the AAACU president. The convention included scientists and administrators from universities and colleges from around Asia and the Pacific including Guam, Taiwan, Japan, Philippines, Malaysia, Korea, Palau, India, Thailand, Nepal, the CNMI and others.

#### 6. Students/Alumni

Mariano T Mesngon, Ph.D. was honored with the national 2010 TRIO achievers award recently, one of a handful of individuals to receive the award this year. He earned his Biology degree from the University of Guam and was helped through that process by the TRIO Upward Bound program at the institution. After earning his PhD he was selected as the Deputy Chief, Analytical Toxicology Division Chief, Medical Diagnostic and Chemical Branch U. S. Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense (USAMRICD). Mariano's success began with the Upward Bound program at UOG.

The Association of Childhood Education International at the University of Guam were inducted on September 22, 2010. Officers are Risa Hameister, vice president; Heidi Cameron, president; Maria Perez, treasurer; Shawlon Abuan,

secretary; Katrina Baza, public relations officer; and Jovina Munoz, public relations officer.

## 7. Regional Activities

The President went to Pohnpei and Majuro to sign articulation agreements and draw attention to the role of the University in regional development. The trip was made in October and established more progress towards BA degrees in secondary ed. in the FSM and a BA in nursing for the Marshall Islands.

#### 8. Announcements

A legislative session will be held on November 22 for Bill 446-30, which addresses funding for the Student Services Center and the School of Engineering Annex. Your support and attendance at this session is greatly appreciated.

The University of Guam's Division of Mathematical Sciences launched their annual math contest. Problems are posted at www.uog.edu/mathematics. The contest will be held each month from November 2010 through March 2011. Winners will be announced each month and overall winners will be announced in April.

The University of Guam School of Business and Public Administration welcomes Fulbright Scholar Cynthia P. Cudia to campus. Cudia is a licensed certified public accountant and has a Master of Science in Accountancy from De La Salle University in the Philippines. She is currently pursuing her Ph.D in Economics at De La Salle. Cudia is an assistant professor at De La Salle University in Manila and is a member of the Philippine Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Association of Certified Public Accountants in Education. She also has many peer-reviewed publications.

The FY2012 Strategic Planning and Budget Retreat is scheduled for Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup> from 8am through lunch at the Anthony A. Leon Guerrero Multipurpose Room 129 at the Jesus S. and Eugenia A. Leon Guerrero SBPA Building. That evening, the UOG employees Christmas Party will be held at the Nikko Hotel.

The University community extends its condolences to the families of two employees who recently passed away.

Ignacio M. Jr. Meno passed away on Sunday, November 14, 2010. He was a Refrigeration Mechanic II at the UOG Plant Maintenance Division, and was a UOG employee for over twenty years. He is survived by his mother, Maria M. Meno; his wife, Bernadit D. Meno; and five children. Rosary is being prayed at the residence of Mrs. Maria M. Meno, 692 Route 4, Malojloj (located just after the San Isidro Church) at 12noon and 8:00 p.m. Funeral Services will be announced later.

Alfred G. Blaz passed away on Friday, November 12, 2010. He is survived by his wife, Maria Roberto Blaz and 4 children. His daughter-in-law, Cynthia Blaz, is

employed with the UOG Business Office. Mr. Blaz retired in 1995 as the Director of Operations and Support Services after 24 years of service to the University. After his retirement, he continued to serve as adjunct faculty under the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences. Mass is being offered at 6:00 p.m. nightly at the Dulce Nombre de Maria Cathedral-Basilica in Hagatna and funeral services will be held there starting at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 20, 2010.