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Board of Regents

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**Regular Meeting Minutes
December 4, 2014**

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 December 4, 2014, 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.

QUORUM:

William Leon Guerrero	Chairperson
Marcos Fong	Vice Chairperson
Toni Sanford	Treasurer
Elizabeth Gayle	Member
Mariflor Herrero	Member
Chris Felix	Member
Elvin Chiang	Member
Vinni Orsini	Member

ALSO PRESENT:

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

2.0 MEETING MINUTES

2.1 Regular Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2014

Regent Felix moved for the approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2014 subject to corrections, which was duly seconded. The motion carried.

3.0 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman W. Leon Guerrero welcomed everyone to the last BOR meeting for 2014. He reminded all of the regents that the FY2016 Budget Retreat is scheduled for tomorrow and that commencement is scheduled for December 21st. He expressed his hope that everyone celebrated a happy thanksgiving with family and friends, and wished the University community a happy holiday season.

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

4.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Underwood gave his report, a copy of which is attached. He noted that UOG was deeded property at the Fadian Hatchery in a ceremony at the Governor's office several days ago. He then expressed his wishes for all to enjoy a happy holiday season, and expressed his appreciation to the members of the BOR for their service.

5.0 REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

5.1 Academic, Personnel, and Tenure Committee

Regent Gayle reported that AP&T Committee Chairperson J. Leon Guerrero is absent tonight due to illness and that she will provide the report.

5.1.1 Resolution No. 14-29, Relative to Approving Administrative Positions of Dean, Enrollment Management and Student Success and Grants Officer

Regent Gayle introduced Resolution No. 14-29, which was duly seconded. She reported on the process of review for the two positions which are recommended for approval. The motion carried.

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

5.2.1 Resolution No. 14-30, Relative to Approving the Fall 2014 Commencement Graduate Listing

Regent Felix introduced Resolution No. 14-30, which was duly seconded. Regent Orsini recused himself from the vote on this matter as he is one of the potential graduates on the list. Regent Felix explained that while the list is subject to revision, it provides the names of those anticipating graduation this semester. The motion carried.

5.2.2 Collections Report

Regent Felix reported that the Collections report is available for review and as previously reported, collections have slowed but efforts continue and are on target.

5.3 Budget, Finance, Investments and Audit Committee

5.3.1 Financial Update

Regent Sanford asked VPAF O'Brien to provide the financial update. VPAF O'Brien reported that all FY2014 allotment payments have been paid except for the \$1M to be funded by TEFF. He commended the progress of the UOGEF audit process, which

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should be completed in February or March of 2015, noting that a financial surplus is anticipated between 3-5% of the total revenue for FY2014. He also provided a financial update for FY2015 and information on the FY2016 budget processes.

Regent Sanford reported that the BFIA and Investment committees will be meeting in January to discuss diversification of the investment portfolio with the investment advisors. President Underwood noted that this might be the last BOR meeting attended by VPAF O'Brien and expressed his appreciation for his service and prudent advice during his tenure as VPAF for the University. Regent Sanford noted VPAF O'Brien's efforts to provide assistance to her as she has served as Chairperson for the BFIA committee. Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero extended appreciation on behalf of the BOR for VPAF O'Brien's commitment and service.

5.3.2 Update on Proposed Tuition Rate Changes

President Underwood reported on the proposed tuition rate changes, noting that although it has been authorized, a tuition increase will not be implemented in spring 2015 because he believes that additional notice needs to be given to the students to prepare for the change. He noted this is the 6th year that the University has maintained its tuition rate without an increase; however, an increase will be necessary as costs continue to increase.

5.4 Physical Facilities Committee

5.4.1 Facilities Update

Regent Gayle reported that the committee did not meet this month; however, she received an update from CPFO Perez and provided a brief update on current Plant and Facility projects.

6.0 AD HOC REPORT: ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION UPDATE

UOGEF Executive Director Mark Mendiola reported that the UOGEF has received a letter of conditions for the USDA loan for the Student Services Center and the Engineering Annex buildings which is being addressed.

UOGEF Executive Director Mendiola reported that \$250k was received from Tan Holdings as the second installment payment on their donation, 10% of which will go to upgrades of the Tan Lam Pek Kim EC building. He also reported that the UOGEF also received a \$100k payment from Lucio Tan towards his \$500k Capital Campaign donation. He noted that the UOGEF is anticipating a large gift to come at a later date, as well as a new \$100K donor.

UOGEF Executive Director Mendiola reported that the UOGEF also supported the Great Debate event to raise funds for the School of Business and Public Administration; and the RFT-MARC Gala to raise funds for MARC scholarships. He noted the \$1M for the John Philips and Herminia Dierking Endowed Chair, which has been deposited to the appropriate account.

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He reported on the following upcoming UOGEF events: Raffle for Fiat donated by Cars Plus, Linala'ta music event and the annual donor appreciation event.

7.0 OPEN PRESENTATION (3 Minute Limit per Person)

Chairman Leon Guerrero opened the floor for open presentations.

Luke Luis Santos Jr., Vice Chairperson of Student Resident Council, stated that he is present on behalf of the dorm residents to report an issue that he has been discussing with Student Regent Orsini regarding the need for a water dispenser at the dorm. Chairperson W. Leon Guerrero asked Mr. Santos to submit his request to the administration to be addressed.

Antonio Diaz, Treasurer 53rd SGA and President of the Social Work Student Alliance, expressed his appreciation to the President, the BOR, and all parties involved for not increasing tuition in the Spring semester.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT

Regent Chiang moved that the meeting be adjourned, which was duly seconded and passed. Chairman Leon Guerrero adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.



William D. Leon Guerrero, Chairman

ATTESTED:



Dr. Robert A. Underwood, Executive Secretary

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

December 4, 2014

1. Fall 2014 Commencement

The Fall 2014 Commencement will be held on Sunday, December 21, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at the UOG Calvo Field House. 236 degree candidates are anticipated, of which 180 are undergraduate and 56 are graduate. This is an increase from Fall 2013 of 232, which represented 169 undergraduate and 63 graduate degree candidates.

2. Events

The University of Guam hosted a launch event for the new book *The State Department Boys: Philippine Diplomacy and Its American Heritage* written by the Honorable Marciano R. de Borja on Wednesday, November 12. De Borja is a career diplomat and is currently serving as the Consul General for the Philippines in Guam. This is his third book and focuses on the experiences of the pioneer Filipino diplomats chosen to become the first officer corps of the Philippine Foreign Service. Dr. Don Platt and Dr. Beth Somera both participated.

37 former University employees who retired from FY2012 to FY2014 were honored at the UOG Retiree Recognition Ceremony on Wednesday, November 26, 2014. Thank you to Regent Mariflor Herrero for representing the Board at this event. It is anticipated that this will be an annual celebration to express the University's appreciation to those who have retired during the year for their work and dedication.

3. Capital Campaign Donors

Through the Guam Board of Accountancy, the University received a \$1M donation to establish the John Philips and Herminia Dierking Endowed Chair in accounting. The legislative action that allowed this to happen was one of the last acts by the late Senator Vicente "Ben" Pangelinan.

The University of Guam community celebrated the naming of the University of Guam Calvo Field House on Friday, October 17, 2014. Through a committed donation of \$3 million, the Calvo family is supporting the University's 60th Anniversary Capital Campaign and UOG's vision for a 21st Century campus. Thank you to the Regents who attended this historic event in honor of the Calvo patriarch, Eduardo Torres "Jake" Calvo, and his family.

The University of Guam Endowment Foundation and Cars Plus will be raffling a [2014 Fiat 500L](#) as part of the UOG Capital Campaign. The UOG Endowment Foundation has set a goal to raise \$100,000 over the course of the three month campaign period. Tickets will be available for purchase at the Cars Plus dealership in Maite as well as through the UOG Endowment Foundation. Each ticket costs \$20 and a booklet of six tickets costs \$100. The winner will be announced on February 20, 2015.

4. Students

Twelve members of the University of Guam Student Investment Club and an advisor attended the 14th Annual Pacific Region Investment Conference through sponsorship by

Asia Pacific Association for Fiduciary Studies (APAFS). Student Regent Vinni Orsini also attended the event, as well as the preconference Fiduciary Essentials (FE) training.

The University of Guam School of Nursing and Health Sciences and the Student Nurses Association of Guam (SNAG) is hosting a Canned Food and Clothing Drive until Friday, Jan. 23, 2015 to benefit the homeless.

The winners of the 2014 UOG Distinguished Alumni Awards were recognized at the Alumni Reunion which was held on November 15th. They are:

Mr. Bruce Best, MS Biology, 1981

Energy and Remote Island Communication Consultant

Dr. Thomas J. Brislin, BA English Secondary Education, 1968

Associate Dean, Arts and Humanities, University of Hawaii at Manoa

Colonel (RET) John M. Chiu, BBA Accounting, 1983

University of Guam, Army ROTC

Dr. Lourdes Palomo Klitzkie, BA Elementary Education, 1970

Professor Emeritus, Society of Emeritus Professors and Related Scholars

Mr. Michael Pexa, Master's Business Administration, 1978

Founder & CEO, Asia Pacific Financial Management Group

Ms. Reina Sanchez, BSW Social Work, 1990

Social Services Supervisor I, Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center

5. Recognition

Two faculty members from the University of Guam School of Business and Public Administration (SBPA) were honored last month by the Center for Scholastic Inquiry for their collaborative research on teaching methods for adult learners. Dr. Richard Colfax and Dr. John Rivera received the "Best Paper" award at the Center for Scholastic Inquiry's International Academic Research Conference in Minnesota. Colfax and Rivera's paper entitled, "The Need for Andragogy of Workplace Relevance in the College Classroom" focuses on understanding college students as adult learners. The research examines the connections between the classroom and real-life scenarios or the potential workplace.

Faculty at the University of Guam recently released the second edition of *Tropical Pacific Island Environment* textbook. The acclaimed first edition of the environmental biology textbook has been used in numerous classrooms throughout the Pacific islands and abroad for 17 years. It was published in 1997 by UOG Press. The updated second edition was released earlier this year and was published by Best Press, Inc. in Hawai'i.

University of Guam professor Dr. Diambra-Odi released his two most recent handbooks on the subject of poultry farming: **Tropical Broiler Chicken Management Guide** (a guide about the basics of raising chickens for meat in a hot and humid climate) and **Tropical Layer Chicken Management Guide: A Sustainable Approach** (a guide to help the poultry farmer run a more sustainable operation by utilizing local feed alternatives, and become a good steward of the environment). A book launch was held on November 7th, and the book is available at the UOG Bookstore. Hauhouot Diambra-

Odi has a doctorate in poultry science and nutrition from the University of Georgia, Athens, GA. He is currently an associate professor at the College of Natural and Applied Sciences, University of Guam.