

FALEO Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday, December 16, 2017

Location: Colma Police Department Community Room, 1199 El Camino Real, Colma, CA 94014

Meeting called to order by Sgt. of Arms Glenn Sylvester and the attendees participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Roll Call

Present:

Executive Board: President Bradley Bautista; 1st Vice President Lawrence Lagarejos; 2nd Vice President Eric Quema; and Sgt. of Arms Glenn Sylvester.

Board of Directors: Robert Nishiyama; Gary Cagaanan; Elpidio Selectaria; Pierre Vida and Matt Leong.

Excused: Randy Caturay; Rich Alves; Jurnation Reymundo; Roel Dilag; Debbie Van Patton; Ramon Jayme; Theresa Ferrer; Shaun O'Connor; Mark Francisco and Cliff Valdehueza.

2. Adoption of Minutes of Past Meetings – Tabled till next meeting.

3. President Bautista introduced the visitors from the Philippine National Police (PNP) assigned to the Philippine Consulate of San Francisco. They were: SPO4 Romulo “Romy” Diaz and Colonel Eric Noble

President Report – President Bautista spoke about the FALEO sponsored adult Basketball Tournament in which the FALEO team took 1st Place. He also spoke about the visit of PNP Director General Ronald “Bato” Dela Rosa; PNP Deputy Director General Mendez; PNP Colonel Rodel Sermonia and party who had arrived in San Francisco from an official visit in Washington, D.C.

4. 1st Vice President Lawrence Lagarejos’ report – Vice President Lagarejos expressed his appreciation for the flowers and card FALEO sent to his residence as well as all of the support he received after his recent heart attack which required emergency surgery.

5. 2nd Vice President Eric Quema’s report – Vice President Quema spoke about the recent visit of PNP Director General Ronald “Bato” Dela Rosa. He gave accolades to FALEO; the Mason brothers of various lodges as well as to the PNP personnel assigned to the San Francisco Philippine Consulate – Colonel Eric Noble and SPO4 Romulo Diaz. Vice President Quema congratulated everyone involved for “a job well done.”

Sgt. of Arms/Brother Glenn Sylvester stated that he has been getting negative feedback and backlash as the Mayor of Daly City for attending the reception at the Philippine Consulate which was given for PNP Director General Ronald “Bato” Dela Rosa.

Vice President Quema suggested that FALEO support the upcoming SFPD/SFPOA Poker Tournament.

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Vice President Quema also suggested that a list should be compiled of the FALEO Honorary Members in the Philippines (Camp Crame FALEO office) so that FALEO members participating in the Philippine Exchange Training (PET) program might be able to do something for them (the Honorary members) at their respective barangays/communities.

6. Secretary Report – None

7. Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Randy Caturay was excused from today's meeting so Director Pierre Vida read the Treasurer's report. Director Vida informed all assembled about the current status of the different accounts. He also stated that the Pistol Match netted approximately \$1,442.76.

Per the information provided by Treasurer Caturay via his written report, of special note and recognition were the following individuals for their monetary donations provided to FALEO:

- Retired SFPD Deputy Chief Lynn Tomioka who donated \$2,500.00 to FALEO – PET in September to assist the PET 2018 Program.
- Mr. Ben and Mary-Erickson Ishisaki, upon attending the SFPD-API event via FALEO member Bro. Curtis Lum, donated \$500.00 to FALEO on November 13, 2017.
- Freemason Worshipful Brother Mario Fernandez from South San Francisco Francis Drake Lodge on his own accord donated \$100.00 to FALEO on December 1, 2017.

The Treasurer's report was then voted on by all present and accepted.

8. Committee Reports:

- a) Membership Committee - Director Vida reported that there has been a communication problem with our members. He said that the current membership roster is not being updated as it should be.
- o Due to this issue, Treasurer/Brother Randy Caturay is working on updating the roster. Director Vida said he is also creating another roster using a different computer program in an attempt to facilitate keeping track of our membership.
 - o Regarding Honorary Members, Director Vida suggested that the Original FALEO sponsor of the Honorary Member should contact the Honorary Member to see if they are still interested in being an Honorary Member.
 - o Sgt. of Arms/Brother Glenn Sylvester spoke about a Los Angeles FALEO Chapter Board of Director who is not affiliated with a police department which is a requirement per the By-Laws. This issue was discussed among the

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members present. It was also stated that an Associate Member can hold a position on the Board of Directors but Honorary Members cannot.

- o It was agreed by all present to study the aforementioned issues through the establishment of a committee which would be chosen at a later date.
- b) Scholarship Committee- Director Cagaanan reported that they thus far have only one (1) applicant for the FALEO scholarship and asked that all present attempt to get the information out regarding the application & selection process.
- c) Training & Education Committee – Vice President Quema encouraged everyone should take advantage of the free training opportunities being offered by various federal agencies/programs.

He stated that Masonic Brother Billy Sevilla still wanted to support the widows of the SAF-44 and that he had three (3) boxes ready to send to the Philippines but the addresses of the widows & families need to be updated.

Vice President Quema stated FALEO needed to establish a Point of Contact (POC) in the Philippines for the surviving family members of the SAF-44.

Guest – PNP Colonel Noble stated he has two (2) SAF-44 widows (Mejia & Nacionales) who live in La Union and in Pangasinan and can provide their information if we can. Colonel Noble said Mejia's widow in Pangasinan, she has two (2) children and is a civilian employee of the PNP. Colonel Noble said he will get Mejia's information so that Brother Sevilla can send his boxes to her.

- d) Community Services Committee- Tabled for next meeting.
 - e) Sunshine Committee - Tabled for next meeting.
 - f) General Election Committee - Tabled for next meeting.
9. Correspondence Committee – Per President Bautista, Director Debbie Van Patton will send a card to the Department and family of recently slain Officer Joshua S. Montaad.

President Bautista also stated that FALEO received a thank you card from "Project Remember" for our donation of \$500.00 (\$250.00 from FALEO & \$250.00 from a donor who wished to remain anonymous). This donation was the first donation Project Remember had received since forming their non-profit organization.

10. Unfinished Business –

- a) LA & SD By-Laws and Group Exemption – Director Vida spoke about the status of the Group Exemption and By Laws. He said the Los Angeles FALEO Chapter has done it but the San Diego FALEO Chapter has not responded. President Bautista stated he will check with San Diego FALEO Chapter President Jericho Salvador on

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their status. Per Director Vida, Sister Debbie Van Patton estimates submitting the Exemption request/paperwork (application) by the end of January 2018.

- b) LA Aflac Update – President Bautista gave a briefing regarding the issues with the Los Angeles FALEO Chapter as it relates to the AFLAC issues. As a result of his (President Bautista) efforts with communicating with the Los Angeles Chapter, all calls from the affected AFLAC policy holders and now being referred to the Los Angeles FALEO Chapter.

During discussion by the members present, it was determined that the AFLAC issues could affect FALEO's 501(c) Non-profit status because it may appear that the Los Angeles FALEO Chapter is "self-dealing."

It was decided that Director Van Patton will research the law and a letter will be crafted to the Los Angeles FALEO Chapter to "Cease & Desist" regarding the AFLAC issues, if it should be determined that their actions could jeopardize our Non-profit status.

11. New Business:

- a) 2018 3rd Annual Chapter Meeting Update – Director Pierre Vida gave an update regarding the 3rd Annual Chapter meeting. He said we are moving ahead with contacting the Philippine Consulate in Los Angeles whose area of responsibility covers Las Vegas, Nevada, the site of our schedule 2018 FALEO conference.

Director Vida said the Honor Guard for the 2018 FALEO conference will consist of law enforcement officers from San Francisco, Salinas and possibly Las Vegas P.D. He would be working on estimates for the food & beverages.

- b) 2018 Scholarship Dinner was discussed. It will be our 10th year Anniversary and it will be held at the Scottish Rites Masonic Auditorium at 19th & Sloat in San Francisco. It was suggested that Comedian Joey Guila be requested to perform again. He was a hit last time he performed. Additionally, it was discussed if a female singer should be sought.
- c) Social Media Concerns & Efficiency (Instagram & Facebook) – Director Vida spoke about concerns regarding personal and/or private postings by member(s) to various social media sites which may reflect poorly on FALEO. This was discussed because the member(s) were also making posts that are related or associated to FALEO or FALEO matters.
- d) NAPOA 2018 Conference Update by Director Vida – Director Vida spoke about the scheduled NAPOA 2018 Conference which will be held in San Francisco. He spoke about a PET presentation along with the use of the FALEO Color Guard. President Bautista will ask NAPOA for a donation to the FALEO Scholarship fund.

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12. Good of the Order

- a) Sgt. of Arms/Honorable Mayor Glenn Sylvester announced that an article on Inquire.net – reflects that the Mayor of Daly City is in “hot water” for meeting with PNP Director General Ronald “Bato” Dela Rosa. It is believed that the person behind the article is an activist name Rodel Rodis who is aligned with the Prieto family of the Philippines that is currently embroiled in a dispute with the Philippine government regarding the “Mile Long” properties.
- b) Brother Sylvester also pointed out that the Facebook group known as DDS USA is supportive of the current Duterte Administration.

13. Financial Requests: None

14. Next Meeting (Feb. 25, 2018)

15. Adjournment

- a) A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Director Cagaanan and second by Director Nishiyama.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 1505 hours.

It should be noted that a General Membership meeting had been scheduled for this day, December 16, 2017 at 1500 hours. But by the time of the adjournment of the Board meeting, there were no members present for the General Meeting so the General Meeting was not convened.