

# Minutes of the Meeting: Fil-Am Portland Quarterly Membership Meeting – September 2024

**DATE AND LOCATION:** September 8, 2024 4:00pm at Fil-Am Portland (in-person only)

**ATTENDEES:**

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| Felda Saunders     | Erik Bergman            | Allan Pioquinto      |
| Kristina Enriquez  | Sima Felina             | Johanna Pioquinto    |
| Melizza Inocencio  | Lorena Pioquinto        | Rocechel (Chel) Cook |
| Ramon Canilao      | Alfonso (Jun) Pioquinto | Ryan Cook            |
| Julie Enriquez     | Vilma dela Paz          | Marieta Koskelo      |
| Oscar Domingo      | Flory Wold              | Carlos Celino        |
| Amapola Montgomery | Amada Sison             | Gail Janson          |
| Doreene Enriquez   | Fely Celino             | Nila Janson          |
| Gina Bergman       | Delaila Pioquinto       |                      |

**I. Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

**II. Meeting Attendance**

Attendance was taken by Secretary Doreene E. by circulating an attendance sheet, quorum was established. Each attendee briefly introduced themselves.

**III. Opening Session**

**Approval of Meeting Agenda**

The meeting agenda was displayed on the overhead screen.

**Motion:** Doreene E. moved to approve the meeting agenda as provided, with corrections of Mrs. to Ms. and Prince to Princess. Seconded by Chel C.

**Vote:**

Unanimous “yes” vote by approve minutes by all present, no “nay’s”, motion carried by majority vote.

**Approval of Previous Minutes**

Secretary Doreene E. submitted minutes of the last meeting conducted on 3/10/2024 via Facebook and copies were made available during the meeting.

**Motion:** Kristina E. moved to approve the submitted minutes as provided. Seconded by Lorena P.

**Vote:**

Unanimous vote “yes” to approve minutes by all present, no “nay’s”, motion carried by majority vote.

**IV. Reports**

**President’s Report (c/o Jun P.)**

An Executive Committee Meeting was held on August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and discussions included FAAPVI President's discretionary fund and board and member's agreements, these will be brought to the board before any implementation. Updates to the Membership Roster are being conducted by MyOwnEVA.

FAAPVI will be participating the CFAA Convention on September 21, 2024 at the Milwaukie Community Center. There is a call out for any volunteers willing to assist with decorating and preparing the event center from 9:00am to 11:00am

Quarterly Report to CFAA Meeting:

**Past Events** – Film showing and Food Fest, Induction of Board Members, Partnership with Consular Outreach, Professional Development Series (Energy Leadership), Junior Rose Parade, World Beat, 4<sup>th</sup> of July Picnic, Young Princess Coronation, Rummage Sale, and Dementia Up Close

**Building Improvements** – Window Repair, Yard Maintenance, Roof Repair, and Floor enhancements

**Future Events** –Starting September 18: Every Wednesday there will be Tagalog Class and Financial Literacy Workshop, Ms. Philippines Coronation Night, FAAPVI Board Retreat, Veteran's Day Celebration, Children's Christmas Party, and Adult's Christmas Party. There is a possible movie screening that will be held at FAAPVI, more details to follow.

**V. Treasurer's Report (c/o Chel C)**

As of 08/31/2024: Balance of FAAPVI Accounts is **\$33,32.80**

Revenues from include profits from the 2024 Young Princess Event, 4<sup>th</sup> July Picnic, and FAAPVI Rummage Sale. Clarification of the allocation of revenues from events and rentals will be discussed during future board meetings.

**VI. Committee Reports**

**FAAPVI Signage Update**

There are certain city requirements and ordinances that need to be followed in order to put up and permanent signages for FAAPVI and would be very costly, making the potential permanent signs not feasible at this time.

**Ms. Philippines 2024 (co-chairs: Doreene, Sima, Felda & Amapola)**

There was a request to the committee for an update on the current number of tickets sold to the upcoming Ms. Philippines event, sponsorships, souvenir program design and event equipment rentals.

There are five candidates for the Ms. Philippines event. The first canvassing was conducted and collected \$1,140; the second and final canvassing will be held on September 22, 2024.

Preparations are underway for the program and the candidates have started practicing for their dances and presentations. The Photoshoot for the candidates will be held in the morning of September 22, 2024.

Amerik Travel has donated 1 round trip to the Philippines to the winning candidate. Note that the candidate is only eligible if they are able to raise more than \$7,000 for FAAPVI.

The souvenir program is different from sponsorships for the candidates. Sponsorship will count towards candidate total and will be given a space in the souvenir program. Ads in the program can be purchased separately at \$300 for full page, \$150 for half page, \$75 for quarter page. There is an estimated 30 pages to be printed and there was discussion on the printing cost and the potential printing companies that would handle the project. There are deadlines for submission of advertisements and materials to be sent to printer and have the souvenir programs ready in a timely manner. There was discussion of possibly having black and white copies available for mass distribution or even having additional copies available for purchase at cost.

Volunteers are needed to help out in order to have the event running smoothly, an electronic volunteer sign up has been distributed to board members and prospective volunteers. Board members are requested to participate and confirm their availability and assignment preference.

There was a review of the budget and current standing of the event. It was highly emphasized to continue progressing ticket sales and souvenir program advertisement pages. It is good to tap CFAA affiliates and other partners to help with achieving our target goals.

#### **Fundraising Update c/o Chel**

There have been 2 new members that have joined since the last meeting. Current fundraising efforts from rental income are insufficient for building's expenses, increasing marketing was suggested.

#### **Building Renovation c/o Ramon**

Ramon noted that he is having difficulty finding the time to work on improving FAAPVI Event Center. The building is in need of restorations, but he is conscious of the limited budget that FAAPVI has for such work. Improvement of the floor has been done and will be continued, also replacement of some existing elements in the kitchen are also planned.

**Youth Committee c/o Kristina**

An application for potential scholarships recipients has been released and applications will be reviewed by Ms. Philippines committee and Youth Chair. It was discussed that FAAPVI should have the recipients of the scholarship further contribute and participate w/FAAPVI in future events.

**Veteran's Day Celebration c/o Nila**

Event will be held at FAAPVI on November 11, 2024.

It encouraged to invite veterans and members to attend to honor the Veterans. There will a color guard present. Food c/o Lorena and Sima. There will be a program and it is open for whoever wants to join and share their talents. They are looking for a guest speaker at this time.

**2025 FAAPVI Calendar c/o Nila**

FAAPVI calendar is a profitable program and Nila is waiting on the final images of the participants to be sent to her in order to complete the calendars.

**Christmas Party Updates c/o Lorena**

The dates are TBD, will be finalized at the board meeting to avoid conflicts.

**Event Rental Updates c/o Lorena**

There are rentals mostly every month, the rentals are first come first serve and require a deposit before the rental is finalized.

**Grant Updates c/o Ryan**

FAAPVI doesn't qualify for the Expanded Restore Grant.

**Membership Drive Update**

There are updates being made at this time. FAAPVI will also be looking into having a business segment that will be aided by the guidance of COFACC. More details will be released later time.

**Invite to Super Senior's Potluck and Dance c/o Oscar Domingo**

Open invitation for an event at FAAPVI to be hosted by Oscar Domingo on October 6, 3pm to 9pm. An informational flyer was disseminated to those interested.

**Remitly Advertisement**

Remitly will pay FAAPVI \$350/month to post a visible QR code at the building. It will start in 2 months.

**Next Membership Meeting:**

December 8, 2024 at 4:00pm

**VII. Closing Prayer c/o Jun. P**

Meeting Adjourned at 6:20pm

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doreene Enriquez". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

Doreene Enriquez