Minutes of SCA Filipiniana Meeting, March 5, 2012

The first meeting of the chartered SCA Filipiniana was held on Monday, March 5, @ the Independence Center and officially began at 9:30, with Carmelo Beley giving the brief background on the Club, followed by Tito Fernandez, who read the club-by-laws, approved by SCA Board of Directors.

The first order of the day was to elect the Officers, followed by nomination to chair the Committees. The floor was open for nomination of candidates and the following names were voted on by the members.

President - Carmelo Beley Vice President - Tito Fernandez Treasurer - Fred Eleazar Secreatry - Vivian Enverga

Committees:

Membership - Romeo Nolasco Social Events - Tessie Cruz Commication - Josie Baker

The elected officers and Board Members will be serving for one year term but may serve no more than two consecutive terms in the same Office. A Nominating Committee will be formed in September to pave the way for the election of Officers for the following term. An item requiring a vote shall be passed by a simple majority of the members present. The members present at a regular or special meeting shall constitue a quorum.

Tessie Cruz asked for volunteers to help her with the ticket sales. Volunteers were also asked to help with the Membership and Communication Committees and there were no lack of volunteers. Membership is open to all Association members, holding a valid SCA Activity Card.

Carmelo announced that the first social event is a dinner dance to be held on Friday, June 8, 2012, 5-10pm. The Affair will be called "Pista sa Nayon" and Filipino attire will be optional. We have to sell 30 tables (8 per table) and Bohol Band was the selected group to provide the music. Romy Nolasco will contact them. Asian Buffet will also be contacted to cater the event. Water will be served. The tickets will be \$25 each (members and non-members). It was mentioned that non-members are usually assessed \$30, but it was agreed that being this is an inaugural event, \$25 will be the cost. A deadline date to get all tickets paid will be May 1st.

Seating arrangments took a bit of discussion. A suggestion was made that it should be on a "first come first serve" basis, ie., table that has paid first will have the priority to choose their table but this did not go well with the majority. A vote was taken and it was decided that a date, time and place will be given to all the persons in charge of selling the tickets for their table to meet with Tessie Cruz. On the selected date, they will pick a number from a basket to determine which table they have. However, those who have

sold more than one table can request to get their tables next to each other, only after picking their number. It will be a lottery. Tickets should be available 3rd week of March.

Liquor is not permitted in the event. A suggestion was also made to have a licensed bartender, to be funded by the club, but it was realized to be more involved. Another suggestion was made to contact the Minuteman Foundation who supposedly provide" liquor bar tending service" and all we have to do is give a gratuity. This will be looked into and get more details.

The next official event is a Holiday Party scheduled for Saturday, Dec 8, 2012.

There was a big turnout and was a good first meeting. Treasurer reported there are 168 members and 138 paid members.

The monthly meeting of the SCA Filipiniana Board of Directors will be held last Tuesday of each month, 5:30pm, at the Libery Center. This schedule is set till December 2012.

The meeting ended at 11:00am.

Submitted by: Vivian Enverga