



Minutes of FSM Annual General Meeting and Election of Officers on 11 Nov 2023

Held at: MVCC Program Library 1

Started at: 1440 hrs.

Attended by: 65 FSM members – quorum met

The annual general meeting was opened by the FSM President, Peter Santos, be welcoming everyone to the meeting. Reported on:

- We're all proud to be members of the association, enjoying the benefits and advantages of being a member
- We have 98 members, majority of which have participated in our activities during the year
- We have our pot luck lunches, our group line dancing, friendly bingo and mahjong sessions
- Our honoring of our monthly birthday celebrants every 2nd Saturday of the month
- Our general assembly meeting every last Saturday of the month where provide updates to members on the monthly meetings of the Board of Directors
- Our field to the Mennonite County, St. Jacob's Market, and the Lavender shop at Elmira, our Muskoka and cruise at Lake Joseph in Port Carling, the short visit to the Cranberry Town of Bala, Ontario and of course the popular casino trips all of these were aptly organized and coordinated by Vangie Alcasid together with some member volunteers to help her out
- We had our Spring Dance under the Chairmanship of Lydia Bernardino and Mila Santos
- We held a successful 41st FSM Anniversary celebration at MVCC in October
- We initiated a voluntary Thanksgiving monetary drive collection for the Mississauga Food Bank, we were able to raise \$225
- Peter announced that we are once again planning the same during our Christmas Celebration scheduled for 16 Dec 2023 in the spirit of sharing our blessings this Christmas season
- Our group also support other community organizations by attending KFCO's Independence Gala, the Philippine Consulate Independence Day Celebration at KCCC
- We watched Cartas de Amor Musical, joined the annual KCCC Annual Walkathon
- The Association provided partial ticket subsidies for FSM members attending some of the events



- We also participated in the annual Philippine Festival Mississauga at the Mississauga Celebration Square through the representation of our member, Rodel Meier, provided us a rental free tent and space at the said event
- With Lerma, Chit R, Mila and myself were manning the FSM booth for 2 days, we were entertaining questions fielded by potential future members of our Association
- We were visited by City Mayor of Mississauga, Hon. Bonnie Crombie, as well as by our Streetsville MP Hon. Rechie Valdez – quite a rewarding experience for us
- we do recognize and take this opportunity to say thanks and give our utmost gratitude to the City of Mississauga and the administrative personnel of The Mississauga Valley Community Centre (MVCC) for making and enabling our association to prosper and thrive, for giving us a free use of said facilities, especially the beautiful and spacious Program Library 1 room all these years. A big Thank you for everything from the Filipino Seniors of Mississauga.

Secretary's Report

- AGM Minutes of Meeting held on 28 Jan 2023 was e-mailed the FSM members on 27 Oct 2023 for member's info and guidance and if they might have any correction and/or updates
- A hardcopy was likewise provided to FSM BOD members present for the meeting
- Just to refresh a bit of the context of the minutes from last AGM, basically it contained the President's report of the various activities for 2022
- The approval by the body of the minutes of the AGM meeting held last 27 Nov 2021
- The Treasure's report on the Financial Statement Year-Ending 30 Sep 2021 and its corresponding approval by the body
- Discussions on the accounting reporting of the 40th Anniversary celebration, some questions were raised, matter was moved for another meeting on this issue
- Asked if there are any questions, corrections, and/or updates from the AGM Minutes of Meeting on 28 Jan 2023
- There being none, Rene moved for its approval.



- Seconded by: Vangie
- Asked for any objections, there being none, motion is carried.

Treasure's Report

- Financial Statement Fiscal Year=Ending 30 Sep 2023 was e-mail to FSM membership on 27 Oct 2023 for each one's info, review, and guidance as well as if anyone might have any questions or clarifications
- A hard copy of the said financial statement was likewise provided to all FSM BOD present
- Treasure asked if anyone has any questions or clarification on the fiscal year end report.
- There being none, Rene moved for the FS Fiscal Year End Report approval.
- Seconded by; Ernie
- Asked for any objection, there being none, motion is carried.

Sunshine Committee

- We sent a perpetual mass card for our member, Gloria Aniceto who passed away last week
- Did a weekly visit to Lumi Montada
- Charity – said something
- Becky – update on Lumi, she had an accident and was brought to the emergency, she slipped while taking out the garbage, some blood on her head, had around 5 to 6 stiches, she's Ok now

Membership Committee

- To date we have a total of 97 members (all fully paid)

Fundraising Committee

- We're planning another Casino trip on 26 Nov 2023
- Almost full, we have 53 who are going
- Our Christmas party is on 16 Dec 2023 which will be held at MVCC Program Library 1
- Request for some donation for our prizes during our X'mas party

Peter turned over the meeting to the COMELEC for the scheduled election of officers



- COMELEC members
 1. Resty del Rosario
 2. Chito Carbonell
 3. Delfine Palileo
- Secretary reported that there are 65 FSM members present, quorum number is met
- Charity Lim, the caretaker of the Early Nomination submission of nominees submitted to COMELEC the application forms as the listing of names of nominees
- There was a total of 23 FSM nominees for the 21 open positions as FSM BOD
 1. Luz Aguilar
 2. Chit Atienza
 3. Sonny Autea
 4. Archie Ayala
 5. Jose Mari Azarraga
 6. Mayette Balbastro
 7. Cesar Cruz
 8. William Dy
 9. Valerie Ferrer
 10. Minda Mendoza
 11. Charity Lim
 12. Diego Linan
 13. Rodel Meier
 14. Jess Paladio
 15. Merle Rivera
 16. Chit Romano
 17. Rudy Romano
 18. Ruffy Romano
 19. Ruben Santos
 20. Mila Santos
 21. Peter Santos
 22. Rene Sevilla
 23. Lerma Valdez
- Resty of COMELEC discussed some ground rules relevant to the election process
- Note that all FSM members present for the election were provided hard copy on



- the rules and regulations guidelines pertaining to the election of officers
- COMELEC opened the floor for nomination of candidates for the FSM BOD position
 - Some nominations were made but nominees declined their nomination
 - Becky Cruz was nominated as a candidate and she accepted her nomination
 - Nomination was closed
 - Thus, a total of 24 candidates are in the running for the 21 open positions as FMS BOD
 - Since there are more than 21 candidates, a secret balloting process will be undertaken
 - Ballots were distributed and FSM members wrote their own choice of candidates
 - At the close of the voting process, there were a total of 65 ballots collected
 - Results of the coting counting process is as follows:

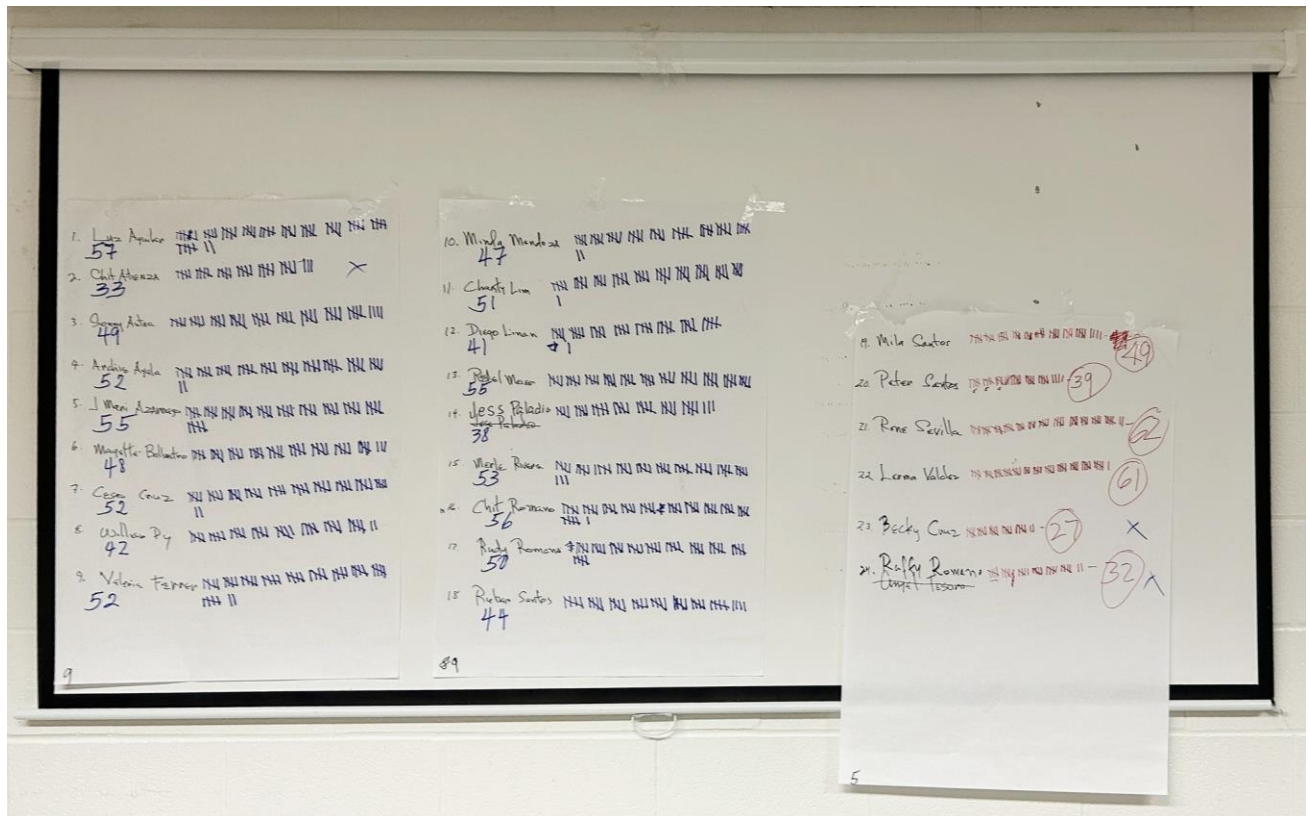
**Filipino Seniors of Mississauga
Election Board of Directors
Results
11-Nov-23**

	NAME	NUMBER OF VOTES
1	Rene Sevilla	62
2	Lerma Valdez	61
3	Luz Aguilar	57
4	Chit Romano	56
5	Jose Mari Azarraga	55
6	Rodel Meier	55
7	Merle Rivera	53
8	Archie Ayala	52
9	Cesar Cruz	52
10	Valerie Ferrer	52



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11	Charity Rhoda Lim	51
12	Rudy Romano	50
13	Sonny Autea	49
14	Mila Santos	49
15	Mayette Balbastro	48
16	Minda Mendoza	47
17	Ruben Santos	44
18	William Dy	42
19	Diego Linan	41
20	Peter Santos	39
21	Jess Paladio	38
22	Chit Atienza	33
23	Ruffy Romano	32
24	Becky Cruz	27





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- COMELEC declared the first 21 candidates as shown on the above tabular results of the election the winners for the 21 FSM BOD positions.
- Since it was a “long” afternoon, the elected FSM BOD decided to hold their meeting on Wednesday, 15 Nov 2023 to decide among themselves the corresponding allocation of officers’ positions with the Board

Meeting was adjourned at: 1615 hrs.