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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

As this is the last report I will render to the UERMAFUSA Board, I am at a loss of words on how I would write my dissertation. First of all the year was quiet in all fronts and the year is simply going fast for everyone else who are busy. And for those who are under the weather, homebound and having health problems time seems like it is standing still. In spite of the slow passing of days the Chairman's work is full with routine work schedules.

- Following up allocations for most grants apportionment according to our standing projects.
- Spoke with the leaders of one class ('79) if they are amenable in re-directing their class funds to be placed into the Bronze Scholarships Grant Funding. I was informed by their leaders that they will present this to their class and maybe they would agree.
- Followed up specific projects with the treasurer and president on the timely disbursements of grants funds per requests of the UERMMMCI Dean.
- Communicated with few BOTs and inquired about their efforts in recruiting new alumni to become Board Members and/or officers of the Foundation.
- I followed up two alumni encouraging them to join the Board of Trustees of the AFUSA and to become officers since I am going to step down as Chairman. The Foundation needed a capable individual to take on the helm of the AFUSA.
- I communicated with the Foundation Secretary to check on the number of Trustees still on Board and to inform those who are interested in becoming officers to send their letters of intent.
- I requested the interested alumni to send in their letters of intent to become members of the Board of Trustees and/or officers of the Foundation.
- I approached a number of present Trustees to stay on so the new incoming Board of Trustees will be guided by them accordingly.
- I inquired from the treasurer and the president how acknowledgments by grantees are and if they are being sent back to the Foundation in time as required.
- I have received a number of resignation from a number of the members of the Board of Trustees and informed the Secretary about them.
- Communicated with Dr Piga about the web site that needed updating. He stated that he would look into it with the company taking care of the web site.
- I received some reports from the office of Dean post 2024 reunion.
- The 2024 annual Foundation meeting was canceled due to my state of health.
- Conducted online meetings to discuss few pressing business of the Foundation.
- The Chairman has also received news about a number of trustees demised.

- The most troubling news I received was the fact that the president of the Foundation is very sick and resigned due to his present state of health. Afterwards the office of the Chairman was informed of his passing. A friend and a very dedicated member of the of the AFUSA passed on to the bosom of the Lord.

There is a saying that goes, “ the end depends upon the beginning “ and “ great conquest and achievements without sacrifice” of individual volunteers is nothing. My two years term as AFUSA’s president (2006-2012) and four terms as Chairman (2012-2024) I believe is a long service I have volunteered and given time to the organization and to our Alma Mater. I also believe it is time for the younger and more technologically savvy alumni to take over the helm of the Foundation. With the younger recruits the UERMMAFUSA, INC will grow and improve more. So into the hands of these highly technical group I am giving the crown to carry on the job and responsibilities that the less technical Trustees and officers will hand to them. One of the most important responsibility of my being a chairman is to look for that individual who can handle the rigors of the modern position of chairmanship. I think I have found that person who ran for my position last election. This ends my chairmanship and I’m glad he accepted the challenge. It was also the reason I promised to stay on as his adviser and parliamentarian. Thank you Dr Rommel Aquino for accepting the challenge.

I would like to thank the many alumni who joined the ranks of Trustees during my chairmanship and presidency. I would also want to express my heartfelt gratitude to those alumni who lead and dared to start, worked and finish the tasks they were asked to accomplish from my presidency to chairmanship. Without those friends and other individuals who challenged me, i wouldn’t have been able to accomplish many things. To alumni friends who stayed on as trustees during my chairmanship, without you, I wouldn’t have stayed that long. Thank you very much to all former BOTs and also the newly minted BOTs as well as officers. In your hands the technical improvements of the Foundation lies.

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