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Minutes: General Membership meeting March 5, 2010.

The meeting was called to order by President Phillips at 1100.

Visitors or VIPs of mention: Mrs Trimble, Bill Gates and several others in attendance for the Two Bell ceremony for Shipmate Mike Trimble. Carol Golightly (wife of Shipmate Hank Golightly who live in La Union) also here today.

CONDUCTED OPENING CEREMONIES.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Canteen Manager: Bill Moran. Report accepted as read. Canteen had its best month in memory--good recovery from the robbery.

Youth Activities and LAFRA update:
 NSTR

Patriotism & Americanism: we should include the two-bell ceremony participants in our A&P report.

Hospital & Welfare: Shipmate (and vice president) Alvarez is doing better. VFW member JB is back in the hospital.

Retired Affairs: Pay RAO dues by today (March 5, 2010) or lose mail privileges. Discussion on NFCU money transfer via Western Union: it appears this is getting more difficult.

Public Affairs: NTR. Still need a PAO.

Membership: We are still holding our own.

Treasurer's Report: Moore: report accepted as read. We have raised \$1100.00 for FRAlics 2010 thus far from overseas sponsors. All overseas sponsors names are being painted on the wall at the entrance. Thanks much shipmates!

Building and maintenance: Still awaiting estimate from local contractor Cleofe Lacuesta to repair the roof damaged by a fallen tree. Wall ads renewal in progress. Wall ad money will fund roof repairs and the amount will be deducted from the rent.

Finance and audit: NSTR.

UNFINISHED AND DEFERRED BUSINESS:

1. Youth activities nutrition program.
2. Roof repairs.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. P8000 raised for eggs, ice cream, etc., for our annual Easter Egg hunt. Thanks Shipmate Doty for spear-heading this again! Cooties will be doing games for the kids.
2. Security guard discussion. What should we do about the agency?
3. Safe discussion; will try to get the old safe in the kitchen open. This safe has never been opened in the 19 years we have been the present location.
4. Shipmate Phillips to hold FRAlics raffle tickets money.
5. Discussion on daily bank deposits. Only one bank is in town with limited open hours.
6. March BOD Minutes read and discussed.
7. **Motion Doty**, second Randolph to cover P2000 for RSL golf tournament sponsorship. Approved unanimously.
8. Stage movement for FRAlics: move stage to face north to more can view the events on stage.
9. Branch Officer nominations for 2010-11 (Note: * denotes incumbant):
 - A. President
 - Phillips *
 - Randolph
 - B. Vice President
 - Brady

- C. Second Vice
Steakley
- D. Secretary
Randolph
Reid
- E. Treasurer
Moore *
- F. Board of directors (we are allowed six)
Doty *
Alvarado *
Koeppen *
Rich Moran
Hazelwood
Mishenko *
Kelly
- G. Associate member rep:
"Alaska" Bob Perrizo *

COMMUNICATIONS TO BE READ: All correspondence from National and Northwest region will be posted on the Read Board and only significant correspondence will be read.

OLD BUSINESS: NTR

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

1. Mishenko: VA ID card challenges. It appears there is a software problem with the software used to process VA ID cards from Manila. Suggest a joint letter from FRA367 and other veteran's organizations to the VARO in Manila to address this problem. Apparently US vets can get a VA ID card but those of us residing in Philippines cannot. This could be a problem for any VA vet who lives in Philippines but is in the States and seeks medication or treatment from a VA clinic.
2. NFCU/Western Union money transfer challenges: the NFCU office in Okinawa will no longer send the Western Union control number in order to withdraw money from Western Union. The NFCU Okinawa office says they are undermanned and can no longer support doing it. Some shipmates have gotten help from the NFCU Diego Garcia office.

3. FRAlics 2010 shirts are coming in and are being biked up by Alaska Bob.
4. Shipmate Steakley has FRAlics flyers for Darts and the Beauty contest.
5. 50/50 raffle: Lady Carol Golightly won P 1400 (P1400 went to the Youth Activities fund).

CONDUCTED CLOSING CEREMONIES

Meeting adjourned at 1225.

Submitted:

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Secretary
FRA Branch 367

Approved:

Ted "Shorty" Phillips
President
FRA Branch 367