

**Guam Hotel & Restaurant Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, October 20, 2019
at the GHRA office

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m.

BOARD TITLE	BOARD MEMBER	ATTENDANCE	YTD ABSENCES*
Chairman	Jeffrey Schweizer	Present	0 / 10
First Vice Chair	Bart Jackson	Present	2 / 10
Treasurer/Secretary	Sophia Chu Wigsten	Present	1 / 10
Hotelier Vice Chairman	Steve Solberg	Absent	2 / 10
Restaurateur Vice Chairman	Darren Talai	Present	0 / 10
Allied Vice Chairman	Jay Shedd	Present	1 / 10
Director	Toshi Doi	Present	0 / 10
Director	Frank Kenney	Present	1 / 10
Director	Edson Lai	Absent	3 / 10
10th Board Member	Tae Oh	Absent	3 / 10

*A Board Member may not miss more than five board meetings in a year.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES August 21, 2019 & September 19, 2019 Board Meeting

Chairman Schweizer asked the board to review the minutes from the August 21, 2019 and September 19, 2019 meeting. Director Talai made a motion seconded by First Vice Chairman Solberg to approve the minutes for August 21, 2019 & September 19, subject to typographical errors and corrections.

Without objection, the board unanimously approved the meeting minutes of August 21, 2019 & September 19, 2019.

III. REPORTS/ COMMUNICATIONS

- **Treasurer's Report**

President Rhodes provided copies of the Treasurer's Report.

- **President's Report**

- President Rhodes provided the President's report. President Rhodes provided an update regarding the Pre-Apprenticeship program, which is funded with \$1.7 million by US DOL and GHRA is one of the main organizations authorized to access the funds. President Rhodes provided copies of the 18 cohorts with 7 trades focusing on the American Hotel Lodging Association Educational Institute's START program for workforce development. GHRA has 283 Pre-Apprentices enrolled.

- **Guam Visitors Bureau**

No GVB report. First Vice Chairman Jackson was not present.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- **New Membership**

Chairman Schweizer asked the board to review the application for Agilysis - Allied, Guam Military Build Up Office - Affiliate and Guahan Sustainable Culture - Affiliate. Treasurer / Secretary Chu Wigsten made a motion seconded by Director Shedd to approve the membership of Agilysis - Allied, Guam Military Build Up Office - Affiliate and Guahan Sustainable Culture - Affiliate.

Without objection, the board unanimously approved the membership of Agilysis - Allied, Guam Military Build Up Office and Guahan Sustainable Culture - Affiliate.

- **Request for Proposal**

President Rhodes provided a comparison of Dusit Thani Guam and Hyatt Regency Guam based on the RFP responses received by GHRA. After a brief discussion, Director Kenney made a motion seconded by Director Lai to approve the Hyatt Regency Guam as the venue for Gala 2020.

Without objection, the board unanimously approved the Hyatt Regency Guam as the venue for Gala 2020.

- **Workforce Development**

President Rhodes provided copies of Dan Dorr & Associates proposal for a leadership program. After a brief discussion, Treasurer-Secretary Chu Wigsten and Restaurateur Vice Chairman Talai made motions to approve Dan Dorr & Associates. President Rhodes will continue discussions on the two day leadership program with a third day for ropes training.

Without objection, the board unanimously approved the leadership program from Dan Dorr & Associates.

- **Events & Programs**

President Rhodes updated the board regarding officer elections on December 11th, Membership renewal on January 1st, Annual Planning Workshop on January 21st and GHRA Gala on March 7th.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Events & Programs**

President Rhodes thanked the board members for their support during the GHRA Tourism Cup esp Director Doi and the LeoPalace staff and management. This year was the third largest Tourism Cup event in the history of the golf tournament with 234 Guam players and 19 CNMI and Rota players.

- **Legislative Watch & Regulatory Agencies**

President Rhodes announced an upcoming administrative hearing on sanitary permits with the Department of Public Health & Social Services in December. Tom Naddeau was the guest speaker at the November membership meeting.

GHRA Board of Directors Actions

m/s/c Without objection, the board unanimously approved the meeting minutes of August 21, 2019 & September 19, 2019.

m/s/c Without objection, the board unanimously approved the membership of Agilysis - Allied, Guam Military Build Up Office and Guahan Sustainable Culture - Affiliate.

m/s/c Without objection, the board unanimously approved the Hyatt Regency Guam as the venue for Gala 2020.

m/s/c Without objection, the board unanimously approved the leadership program from Dan Dorr & Associates.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Director Doi and seconded by Director Shedd to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 a.m. and will be December 11th at 10:30 a.m. at GHRA. Respectfully submitted by Mary Rhodes on behalf of the Secretary

Approved: Secretary to the Board

Date