“ContinUnity”

Continue, so you can unify. Unify, so you can continue.

These two distinctive phrases define an amalgamation of characters, ideals, objectives, and how it is being managed. What’s more of that rocky uphill battle was the limitation set by time. So then, the best that the administration can do was to buy more time and good thing it did.

True enough, this new Fiscal Year has ushered a great jumpstart for the administration of Arch. Guillermo Hisancha, especially on the efforts for unity among the architects, as well as with allied and related professions. More importantly, on the response of the leadership to the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Law, already in full force. Time is ticking and this indeed requires greater effort to address the needs and with sound judgment, carry out the plans without any hesitation. This response is what the UAP needs and shall always be needing.

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MESSAGES
STARTING IT RIGHT
A Good and Vibrant Year in the First Quarter of FY 2017-2018

It is a great privilege, and will always be, to serve as the National President of UAP for a second term.

The UAP has been my professional home – a place where I have found purpose, value, and enduring commitment and service to our members. My main mission has been to ensure the continuity of our humble success which will focus on the ideals of UAP which are, to UNITE all registered and licensed Filipino Architects regardless of its affiliations, differing opinions or divergence of interests, to PROMOTE the architectural profession, and to ADVANCE the continuing professional development of all Filipino Architects, under the theme: UNITY, ACCOUNTABILITY and PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE.

Throughout the years, we have exerted tons of combined efforts mixed with great sacrifices to the point of providing huge extents of personal time, talent, including personal resources.

To all of those who have been working together with me in a common goal of coming up with a strong and vibrant fiscal year, our current National Board of Directors, Executive Directors, Committee Chairpersons, officers and members of Special and Standing Committees, Chapter Officers and many countless volunteers – your efforts are truly appreciated.

With your active participation, collaboration and untiring support, I am confident that we will be steadfast in addressing the pressing concerns and challenges ahead.

Indeed, it’s “a good start” for this fiscal year. Thus, I would like to share and highlight the following activities, events, programs and priorities of our administration which I believe are demonstrative of the thrusts and goals that we have done so far for the first quarter.

UNITY
GETTING INVOLVED

The Official Representative to the Department of Public Works and Highways, incumbent Chairman of the UAP Committee on Government Service and Valenzuela City Building Official Arch. Edson M. Padilla, together with Vice Chairman of the Board of Consultants of the DPWH NBCDO Arch. Rey S. Gabinian, were invited to be part of the review team in the Proposed Philippine Building Act Repealing the National Building Code of the Philippines (PD 1096) held last August 10-11, at the DPWH Secretar

t’s Cottage, Cabans Hill, Baguio City.

September 20 – We called for a meeting to addressed concerns of the DPWH NBC Review Committee and discussed several issues and approaches necessary to protect the profession and the courses of actions to be taken.

UNIFIED NOMINATION OF ARCHITECT FRANCISCO T. MAÑOSA FOR NATIONAL ARTIST IN ARCHITECTURE

Arch. Francisco “Bobby” T. Mañosa’s significant contributions to the development of Philippine architecture through his numerous pioneering and innovative projects that span more than fifty years resulted to unanimous decision for his nomination for National Artist in Architecture. Arch. Mañosa earned the endorsements of the United Architects of the Philippines, Philippine Institute of Architects, UAP College of Fellows, PIA College of Fellows, Professional Regulatory Board of Architects, Guild of Philippine Architects in Conservation, Architectural Archives Philippines, Council of Deans and Heads of Architectures School in the Philippines, and University of Santo Tomas College of Architecture Alumni Association. Mañosa has been a UAP Fellow and Likha Awardee of the United Architects of the Philippines; Honorary Fellow of the Philippine Institute of Architects; Gawad Gintong Likha recipient of the UAP, PIA and Cultural Center of the Philippines; and ASEAN Architect.

ANNUAL PLANNING SESSION AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES CAUCUS

In preparation for Fiscal Year 2017-2018, last June 2, the UAP conducted the Annual Planning Session to form the strategic direction and define measurable priorities and goals of the present administration.

In August 25, I have called for a meeting of NEVP Benjamin Panganiban, Executive Directors, and Chairpersons of all Special Committees under the Office of the National President to discuss some important matters. This includes clustering of Special Committees under different Commissions, Operational Policy on the Conduct of CPD and CPD Coordination Flowchart, and Format and Submission of Reports on all Special Committees.

The Special Committees under the Office of the National President have been very active in highlighting several activities that had been undertaken.

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In attendance were UAP NP Arch. Guillermo H. Hisancha, Committee Chairman on Architectural Code and AIAIF Official Arch. Armando Alli, PIA President Arch. Arnel Colcol, NEVP Arch. Benjamin K. Panganiban, Jr., Executive Director for CGEA Arch. Arch Gil V. Japitana, DPWH Board of Consultants Vice Chair Rey S. Gabinian, UAP Official Representative to the DPWH and PABO Official Arch. Edison Ching M. Padilla, and Media and Public Relation Committee Chairman Arch. Jose Francisco Aniag.
The theme, UNI TY, ACCOUNTABILITY AND PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE are words we have heard last fiscal year 2016-2017. These words and subsequent UAP activities have brought about a culmination of the PRC's Award to UAP as the Most Outstanding Accredited Professional Organization of the Year. In fact, this is the 6th time the UAP has garnered this award last received FY 2013-2014. Truly blessed.

Try a testament that UAP National and its various chapters, Commissions and Committees had outperformed well last fiscal year 2016-2017 under the presidency of Ar. Guillermo Hisancha overcoming difficulties along the way.

There were lessons learned towards achieving the 6th PRC trophy. Funding, programs, collaborations, various architectural organizations, doubts, deadlines, but in the end, sheer love of the members, FOR the members and Organization always prevailed.

This fiscal year 2017-2018, it is my firm belief and my intention that the Filipino architects will level up and continue this theme thru the word PA DAYON (Continue). There are positive signs of better Unity with different architectural organizations in order to present a united front for other professions to listen to; the opportunity to discuss with other allied professionals (including the C.E.s) overlapping concerns is eminently possible and feasible now with the good relations of the various national presidents of conflicting and relative professional organizations; more chapters have realized the efforts exerted by UAP National this fiscal year in working for the creation of Offices of the City Architects nationwide and the Implementation of the R.A.9266 on the Local Government Units level; the hope for the architects to re-visit the Codes of Ethical Conducts and eventually advertise; and the belief that the PRC law will encourage and motivate the architects to upgrade their learnings and teachings thru different and several CPD opportunities in chapters and district levels, and to de-clog the national convention of delegates rushing to get their CPD credit units.

The incoming UAP National FY 2017-2018 wants the involvement of chapters and districts to be INTERACTIVE with each other at the start of their term, DYNAMIC in their management of chapter activities, VISIBLE TO THEIR MEMBERS and RESULT-ORIENTED FOR THE MEMBERS so that the members will feel UAP cares for them. UAP National will lead the way on this.

To do that, the UAP Chapters should be ALIVE, MOTIVATED to have their own character, should be COMPETENT in what they should do, COMM ITTED in the values and ways of UAP, and CREDIBLE to the members FOR THE MEMBERS to appreciate, and for the inactive members to return back to the folds of UAP.

This will be an exciting year for UAP. We at UAP National and yours truly ENCOURAGE and EXPECT ALL Commissions, Committees, Area Vice Presidents, District Directors and Chapter presidents and their chapters to start work immediately, "hit the ground running" for the members. Who knows, we might be fortunate again to win the PRC Award for the seventh time. That would truly vindicate again UAP working for the members, of the members and by the members.

Mabuhay ang UAP,
Mabuhay ang Architektong Pilipino.

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ducted its Team Building Activity at Villa Escudero Plantations and Resort, San Pablo City for the year as part of the planned UAP Human Resource Management program. This was aimed at enhancing inter-personal relations, facilitate goal setting, define or clarify individual and team roles and increase effectiveness in performance within the UAP National Administration Office.

To ensure fulfillment of these objectives, the Management Committee contracted the services of professional team building facilitator, Human Resource Innovations and Solutions (HURIS), Inc. which prepared a line-up of team building exercises that include personality assessment to bridge differences among co-workers; discussion on various human resource modules to facilitate goal setting and realization of individual and team goals; and various outdoor team activities to promote and strengthen team unity, trust and cooperation.

Management Committee considered activities such as this as a vital organizational development strategy to increase cooperation among our UAP workers at ScoutRallos and align individual performances with the Organization’s goals and objectives. At the end of the team building, the participants are expected to: Understand the ‘Reason for Being’ of the Organization; Revisit its Vision and Mission-Values-Goals; Build Active Engagement and Enhance Relations; Open the Floodgates of Communication; Cascade a Collaborative Leadership Brand; and, Work Hand-in-hand in Unity as a Self-directed Team.

E. REFORMATURING CHAPTER REPORTS TO IMPROVE COMMUNICATION

As part of our commitment towards effective communication, the Office of the Secretary General initiated the reformating of our Chapter Report to clearly guide our chapter officers in reporting their programs, projects, and activities. The new format aims to document progress toward achieving chapter’s project goals and objectives and to collect information for distribution to the general membership through our UAP Corporate Website.

As part of our innovation, once the chapter submitted the report, the same shall be immediately posted in our website and a certificate of appreciation shall be automatically emailed to the Chapter President.

At this juncture, it is the goal of the Office of the Secretary General to provide you the best possible support services, and therefore if you have any inquiries, questions or require additional information or further clarification, please do not hesitate to email or call us, as we are always glad to help you in any way we can. Our new email addresses are: membership@united-architects.org (for Membership Matters), cpd@united-architects.org (for CPD concerns), admin@united-architects.org (for administrative, UAP Website and UAP HQ inquiries) and uap@united-architects.org (for all communication concerns).
ACCOUNTABILITY AND PROMOTION OF THE ARCHITECTURAL PROFESSION
SIGNING OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PCL AND UAP

In order to provide greater opportunities to enforce and implement fully the pertinent provisions of RA 9266 and its implementing rules and regulations, the UAP last June 29, 2017 have entered into a Memorandum of Agreement between the Philippine Councilors League (PCL) and UAP as both of the parties espouse a common commitment and objective to promote local economic development (and protect the rights and welfare of the community including all its inhabitants, developers, and home and building owners, as well as all professionals, especially registered and licensed architects) through the implementation of the laws on architecture as provided for by the local government code and the Republic Act No. 9266.

UAP EMERGENCY ARCHITECTS

Arch. Marie Stephanie Magdalena N. Gilles, chair of the Committee on Emergency Architects, shared her presentation on DISASTER RESILIENCE: EMERGENCY ARCHITECTURE during the Asia Pacific Housing Forum 6, July 25, at the Novotel Manila Araneta Center, Quezon City.

The event, with the theme, “Housing at the Center” serves as an Urban Thinkers Campus under UN Habitat’s World Urban Campaign towards an action-oriented implementation of the New Urban Agenda, and the City We Need (following through Habitat III held in Quito, Ecuador).

NIPPON PAINT 2017 ASIA YOUNG DESIGNER AWARD (AYDA)

Challenging participants to create meaningful and relevant design concepts that transcend present trends and stands through the test of time, this year’s theme is “You for Tomorrow: Future Living, As Envisioned Today” formulated to celebrate Nippon Paint is marking the 10th year of Asia Young Designer Award.

AYDA is one of those noteworthy cause that we are proudly supporting. It was year 2014, when Nippon Paint introduced Asia Young Designer Award to the country. The program aims to train the youth to infuse aesthetics, practicality, and purpose into spaces while upholding sustainability and sensitivity to the environment and social landscapes.

COURTESY CALL WITH THE DENR SECRETARY ROY CIMATU

We met with Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Secretary Roy A. Cimatu last September 21, 2017 at DENR Office in Visayas Avenue, Quezon City to discuss the proposed MOA with DENR, including the project dubbed as “UAP Tanim+58”. The UAP delegation include UAP National Executive Vice President, Arch. Benjamin K. Panganiban, Jr., Commission on Governmental and External Affairs Executive Director Arch. Gil J. Japitana, Committee on Environment and Ecology Chairperson Arch. Josefinna C. Bautista, UAP-AGAP Chairman, Arch. Ramon Ahiura, UAP Committee on Professional Development Chair Arch. Ma. Cecilia C. Viray (who arranged the meeting), Committee on Environment and Ecology Secretary Arch. Matthew Sanchez Chua at Committee member, Arch. Mon Jekris Serviño.

PROMOTION OF ASEAN ARCHITECTS

Themed with Qualifications and Opportunities, Arch. Alfred Geoffrey C. Carandang, Chairman of the Committee on APEC Architect, ASEAN Architect and Global Practice and Arch. Cecilia C. Gamana, head of Committee on Private Practice, spearheaded the 1st ASEAN Architects Registry Orientation, August 16, (6th Floor) UAP National Headquarters.

My warmest Congratulations to the men and women of the UAP POST as you publish your maiden issue this 2017-2018 term.

As the Theme: “Padayon” jumpedstarted for the second term of our National President Ar. Guillermo H. Hisancha which in retrospect has been a very fruitful leadership in terms of accomplishments, UAP has its many work in progress. The most prestigious award by the Professional Regulation Commission bestowed to UAP as the Most Outstanding Accredited Professional Organization of the Philippines is indeed a hallmark that connotes exemplary accomplishments of UAP which is unparallel to that of any other Accredited Professional Organizations in the country.

In this term of the national administration which is “in continuity” as the word “Padayon” speaks about is a reaffirmation to the same thrust: Unity, Accountability and Professional Excellence. With this, our National Leadership is addressing holus-bolus all parameters of UAP Thrust translated into various programs and projects which are performed by the different Commissions and Committees. It is just fitting and proper that this vital information of these various activities must be shared to our members.

Thus, our UAP POST will surely be the prime medium as a journal that will herald to our members the events, stories and common interest topics of our organization.

On behalf of my 5 dynamic Districts of Area B and its Chapters, We wish you more power to Ar. Elena E. Lamasan, our Committee Chair on UAP Publications, Ar. Edlee S. Tusi, our UAP Post Editor-in-Chief and all the contributors for your utmost diligence in bringing in information and significant stories to our members.

Congratulations to the men and women of the UAP Post for covering the programs and activities of the Joint Area Assembly 2017 in Laoag, Ilocos Norte. The continuous dissemination of Chapter programs and activities all over the land indicates that we are one and active members of the only recognized and integrated organization of the architects. This brings UAP members closer in information as to what is happening at the different chapter levels nationwide.

Mabuhay ang UAP Post!
Greetings from Mindanao!

This article gives you an update of what the chapters’ have been doing particularly for the survivors and evacuees from the war struck Marawi City.

The Muslim ethnic group that resides in Marawi are called Maranaos who are known as intrepid traders and talented artisans in wood carving and brassware. They are also better educated and refined. The war was a nightmare for the people of Marawi and the neighboring areas since the Maranaos are peace loving and avoided the massive impact of armed conflict. Clan wars or “rido” is a different matter.

Since the outbreak of the war on the 23rd May 2017, Iligan City, being the nearest city, has been the refuge and host for the many survivors and evacuees from Marawi. This geographical proximity made UAP - Iligan City Chapter the receiver and conduit of the donations for the survivors and evacuees or “bakwit” from Marawi City from the private individuals, UAP members, UAP Lipa and Angeles Chapters, UAP College of Fellows and the UAP National Board of Directors (NBD). Help and donations were also given and distributed to the military involved in the actual warfare and those who are manning the military checkpoints in Iligan City.

Hope, resilience and serenity amidst the chaos due to the war in Marawi can be seen in the faces of every “bakwit” and military men as they received the little help from the generous donors through the UAP Iligan Chapter.

Our prayers for a lasting peace and prosperity after this pointless war.

A JOINT CSR PROJECT FOR THE ELDERLY IN PARTNERSHIP WITH “FAILON NGAYON”

The UAP Committee on Bayanihan Arkitektura, headed by Arch. Rene Richie A. Coreuera together with the Committee on Ways and Means, chaired by Arch. Dante T. Aguierre and Failon Nguyen host, Mr. Ted Failon initiated a CSR project renovating the female ward for the elderly in the Gold- en Reception and Action Center for the Elderly and other Special Cases (GRACES Home for Elderly), DSWD.

In July 9, the UAP Addressing GAPS to Build Resiliency (UAP-AGAP) in collaboration with the Meaningful Travel PH, UAP Makati Chapter, Architects Mountaineering Group (AMG), and UAPSA Area B1 both supported the PROJECT SHOEBOX under the #OGOPMARAWI campaign which is targeting to help the children and the soldiers. This project has been a long time endeavor of the Philippine army to help children in war conflicted areas.

THE UAP AND PARTNERS TURNOVER NEW SCHOOL BUILDING IN TACLOBAN

The joint undertaking among partners, Architects Regional Council Asia, National Housing Authority, UAP Bayanihan Arkitektura, UAP Emergency Architects, UAP Regional District C3, SRC International Panel Systems Inc., OFIC Philippines, Inc., Davies Paints Philippines, and Hocheng Philippines Corporation resulted to an expansion of territory.

This gives rise to a new building named “UAP Information Technology” Building. The building contains two, newly-constructed and fully-furnished classrooms.

The inauguration and ceremonial turnover of the school building was graced by Arch. Guillermo H. Hisanche, UAP National President; Arch. Benjamin K. Panganiban, Jr, UAP National Executive Vice President; Arch. Renato A. Heray, UAP Secretary General; Immediate Past Area C Vice President, Arch. Kendel Esperas; Dr. Thelma Cabadas-Quitalig, Schools Division Superintendent; Mrs. Monina E. Gabrino, District Supervisor; Mr. Wilfre-
A Sequel to Unity, Accountability and Professional Excellence

The United Architects of the Philippines continues to make its mark in the annals of professional excellence, 2016-2017 merits special attention. Our formable undertaking to become a nationally recognized professional organization has been rewarded.

The 2017 PRC’s Most Outstanding Professional Organization (APO) Award brings with it an obligation to acknowledge not only the vision and hard work of those at the UAP National Office, but also the steadfast encouragement and support of the general membership for which we are indebted.

As your Secretary General, I had several broad tasks in front of me when I assumed the position in 2016 and in July of 2017: to continue the amazing momentum established by my predecessors, to find new opportunities that would engage the Office of the Secretary General and the UAP in more corporate social responsibility engagements; and to begin to set a long-term course for this great UAP in terms of quality service to members, efficient work force and effective communication. At the first quarter of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018, we initiated the following:

A. REDEVELOPING THE UAP CORPORATE WEBSITE

The Office of the Secretary General announced last June 29, 2017 the launch of newly revamped UAP website. The redevelopment of our website aims to provide a contemporary yet professional design with functionality, ease-of-use, accessibility and content in mind. It aims to use the latest Web Standards (HTML5, CSS3) and apply a Responsive Web Design (RWD) approach which is aimed at providing an optimal viewing experience - easy reading and navigation - across a wide range of devices (from mobile devices to desktop computer monitors). This newly redesigned website also offers quick and easy access to essential information and features of the United Architects of the Philippines as the Integrated and Accredited Professional Organization of Architects. The website also has a comprehensive member section with updated UAP national and chapter news and events, CPD updates and corporate governance information.

WWW.UNITED-ARCHITECTS.ORG is the official website and portal of the United Architects of the Philippines. It serves as an effective medium to reach out to an interconnected world, giving the online community better access to UAP information, activities, news and insights.

Expected improvements include: streamlined display of information on the homepage and web pages for easy reading; bigger homepage image slider to showcase UAP achievements and upcoming events; summary representation of active articles to facilitate quick reading with link to read on to details; a more simple (and straightforward) site menu for fast and easy navigation; new UAP media gallery, an online catalog of UAP photos, videos, audio and documents; social media buttons so that visitors can follow us through our official Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Google+, and Youtube channel and other interactive features.

The new website has a clean uncluttered design, improved functionality and enhanced rich content focused on the CPD Law, the UAP providing a webpage for Continuing Professional Development in its corporate website. The CPD page includes comprehensive information with regards to:

- Legal Mandate (CPD Law, IRR, CPD Council and Operational Guidelines), Guidelines and Forms (Instructional Guidelines, Forms), CPD Updates (CPD News, Frequently Asked Questions), Matrix (Pre-approved Program Matrix, Self-Directed Program Matrix, Self-Directed with maximum creditable unit, Major Areas of CPD Activities), Seminars and Schedules (Calendar of CPD Seminars and CPD Providers).

In case you have further inquiries concerning CPD matters, you may email the UAP CPD Secretariat at cpd@united-architects.org.

B. PROVIDING CPD SPACE AT THE UAP WEBSITE

With the implementation of Republic Act No. 10912 otherwise known as the CPD Law, the UAP is providing a webpage for Continuing Professional Development in its corporate website. The CPD page includes comprehensive information with regards to:

- Guidance to systematically analyze and evaluate jobs; and specifically present the input from the UAP Job Evaluation Committee deliberations on how we can systematically analyze and evaluate jobs; and specifically present the input from the UAP Job Evaluation Committee deliberations on how we can systematically analyze and evaluate jobs.

C. CONDUCTING THE UAP PERSONNEL JOB EVALUATION

During the last months of Fiscal Year 2016-2017, the Management Committee deliberated on how we can help and support our Administration Staff in efficiently restructuring its Table of Organization; how to better delineate jobs and define reporting relationships. We decided to engage the services of the Human Resource Innovations and Solutions (HURIS), Inc. which is a Human Resource Consulting and Solutions Provider enabling business, to conduct job evaluation to systematically and objectively place a relative value on jobs within the UAP, in order to form the rationale and basis for determining pay levels, which are fair and equitable.

The journey was a collaborative work-in-progress between the HURIS JE Team of a Senior Consultant and Support Professional and with the members of the UAP Job Evaluation Committee (JEC) which is tasked to upgrade the Human Resource System of the UAP. Outputs include:

- The Job Evaluation Manual, Compilation of Job Description and Job Specifications and Salary Structure. The Job Evaluation Manual explains some important Principles and Practices in Job Evaluation (JE), with its objectives, processes, and how Job Evaluation is strongly linked with other functions of Human Resources such as: Recruitment and Selection, Compensation, Training, Performance Appraisal, and Organizational Development. The Manual provides application guidelines to systematically analyze and evaluate jobs; and specifically present the input-output-outcome process undertaken covering Job Analysis, Job Evaluation, Setting up a Salary Structure and a Scatter-gram Framework considering Internal Equity.

D. FACILITATING TEAM BUILDING AMONG OUR CO-WORKERS IN SOUT CALLOS

Last July 1 and 2, 2017, the UAP Management Committee (composed of National President, National Executive Vice President, Secretary General and National Treasurer) successfully con-
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This Fiscal Year of the UAP 2017-2018 brings a host of challenges and opportunities for the College of Fellows to achieve much membership, the UAP, the profession, the people and the country. This year, the thrust of the College of Fellows is to continue to be the reliable counsel of the UAP as it has always been in the past and pursue aims that support the successful pursuit of the UAP’s goals on Accountability and Professional Excellence.

As always the College will pursue its set objective of elevating to the College of Fellows members of the Organization who have distinguished themselves in the field of architecture and education at the same time being a highly dedicated member in serving the UAP. The call for nominees was initiated last July 2017 and the screening for the eligibility stage will be this October. The Investiture for the New Fellows for elevation will occur during the National Convention on April 12, 2018 together with the COF Annual Convocation of Fellows and National Convention Honor Dinner.

On October 7, 2017 the College will highlight its long-serving members who have reached the age of 75 as continuing their distinguished practice throughout as our Balik Tanaw achievers and honorees. This year there are 4 of them, ArchitectsEufrasio M. Araneta of Bohol Chapter, Manuel R. Balili of Manila Maharlika Chapter, Prosperidad C. Luis of Diliman Chapter and Fidel Jose R. Siapno, Legazpi Chapter.

The College this year will pursue the delivery of Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Seminars not only for its members but also open to all UAP members. This year the goal is to complete a projected CPD seminar program totaling 15.5 hours. The initial CPD Seminar 1 is on September 2, 2017, which focused on “Emergency Architecture and Resilient Design” and “Transport, Communities and Architecture.” The COF CPD Seminar 2 will be on November 4, 2017, focused on “The Green Mind: Facets of Sustainable Architecture,” COF CPD Seminar 3 will be on January 6, 2018 on “Architectural Heritage” and COF CPD 4 on March 4, 2018 on “Construction Management.”

This year the College will seek to increase its contact with our colleagues in the regions, beyond Metro Manila. The College will host a Special General Membership Meeting during the UAP Joint Area Assembly on October 19-21, 2017. The Special COF GMM will be on October 20, 2017 at Herencia Garden Restaurant at Laoag, Ilocos. The College has also received feedback from Cebu, Batangas and Ilocos thru members in these regions of their interest to host COF CPDs in conjunction with Special COF GMMs in their areas which the College will strive to arrange, support and implement.

The College also included in its program this year talks on topics that support the members beyond their professional life. Last August 5, 2017, the College had Prof. Josefina Q. Era, a life-coach who gave interesting insights on the topic “Feeding the Ego is Starving Wisdom: The Mind, the Spirit and Life.” Another seminar on February 3, 2018, will focus on the topic, “Eat better not Less: Live the Strength and Width of Your Life” for the members to experience and embrace enjoyable and intriguing healthy living and food choices.

Last Fiscal Year’s successful “COF UAP International Architectour” 2017 will be replicated this Fiscal Year.

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The United Architects of the Philippines held this year’s Inaugural rites at Manila Hotel on Thursday, June 29, 2017.

The UAP Inaugural ceremony was attended by more than 300 architects. In his second term, Arch. Guillermo H. Hisancha, FUAP, APEC Ar., AA was inducted as the National President by Hon. Yolanda David-Reyes, FUAP, LIKHA, HFAIA, APEC Ar., AA, Commissioner of Professional Regulation Commission (PRC). This was followed by the Induction of the National Board of Directors, Officers of the College of Fellows (CoF), Chapter Presidents, and Committee Chairpersons.

Earlier in the morning, Chapter Presidents listened to the Officers’ Orientation Course held at the UAP Headquarters. The lectures were presented by the Past National Presidents. While Architects Nestor S. Mangio, FUAP, APEC Ar. and Richeto C. Alcordo, FUAP respectively discussed the topics Leadership, and Accountability, Arch. Emmanuel P. Cuntapay, FUAP presented Architectural Code and Government Relations. Outgoing and incoming National Board of Directors also convened into a meeting held in the afternoon to address impeding subjects, and to formally turnover remaining fund and ongoing projects.

The Officers’ Orientation Course continued on the following day at the Manila Hotel. Architects Froilan L. Hong, FUAP, LIKHA, APEC Ar., Edric Marco C. Florentino, FUAP, APEC Ar., AA and Benjamin K. Panganiban Jr., FUAP, APEC Ar., AA discussed the Professional Excellence, Parliamentary Rules in Conducting a Meeting, and Understanding RA 9266 and other UAP Related Cases, respectively.

This event was also supported by industry partners, such as Davies Paints, EEI, Bostik, CW Home Depot, Crown Pipes, Philiflex, Moldey, Powersteel, Jecams, Wilcon Depot, and Aidea.

With the Inaugural’s theme, “Padayon” which means Continue in the Visayan Dialect, UAP aims to carry on selfless service to its members guided by the thrusts Unity, Accountability, and Professional Excellence.
UAP – Special Committee on Design – Build Services (DBS) Launched

1ST CPD SEMINAR ON DESIGN – BUILD SERVICES HELD

The UAP – SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DESIGN - BUILD SERVICES (DBS) conducted its successful Launch and First “CPD Seminar on Design - Build Services - as a Lawful Professional Practice of the Registered and Licensed Architect” in cooperation with UAP District C-1 through its Regional District Director Augusto P. Lee, UAP. This was held last 08 July 2017 at the Grand Convention Center of Cebu, Archbishop Avenue in Cebu City.

The Chairman of the DBS Committee, Donato B. Magcale, FUAP, ASEAN Ar. Int’l. Assoc. AIA, EAROPH, reported that all three hundred nine (309) attendees, members of chapters of District C-1 and Organizing Committee, who completed the seminar - workshop received certificates for six (6) CPD points granted by the UAP-CPD Council after thorough deliberations. Proceedings were monitored by no less than the chairman of the PRC - CPD Council and member of the Board of Architecture, Robert M. Mirafuente, FUAP, ASEAN Ar., APEC Ar., who also clarified technical questions in the audience's mind during his message.

Ventilating the related program thrust of UAP, National Executive Vice President Benjamin K. Panganiban, Jr., FUAP, ASEAN Ar., APEC Ar., spoke in behalf of the UAP Executive Committee and for UAP National President Ar. Guillermo H. Hisancha, FUAP, ASEAN Ar., DFRIA. The Chairman of the Board of Architecture and PAPRB Executive Vice-President Robert S. Sac, FUAP, ASEAN Ar., in his talk, shared the mandate and guidelines of the Professional Regulatory Board of Architecture (PRBoA) and his private practice at Robert Sac Architectural Design (RSAD).

In full support of the program are officers and members of the DBS Committee - Vice Chairman Rafael A. Briones, Jr, FUAP, PICAM, PhilGBC; Secretary Eva D. Guinto, UAP; Treasurer Mafe B. Caedic, FUAP and Members Alfred Geoffrey C. Carandang, UAP, ASEAN Ar., EAROPH; Normandy N. Canlas, UAP; Amado E. Tandoc, Jr., FUAP; Ramon N. Vios, Jr., PIA, ASEAN Ar., CCA; Claudio O. Rillera Jr., UAP, PIEP and Maria Elena C. Cayanan, FUAP, ASEAN Ar.

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with “COF UAP International Architectour 2018”, the designation of which is on Spain and Portugal to be held from March 13 to 25, 2018. This is open not only to COF members but to the UAP membership and their families or staff and is designated as a CPD Activity. For members preferring to stay put, a “COF UAP Local Architectour 2018” is planned for May as the summer COF activity. Scheduled for around May 5, 2018, the destination and detailed activities are being finalized.

Finally, the College’s spirit of giving is usually energized more than usual during the Holiday Season with a Christmas get together to foster camaraderie and deepen friendships. The College usually link and underline the celebrations with the College’s social outreach program in which, this year is focused on reaching “inward” to the COF in particular by providing support to its members in times of need. The initial “outreach” target program this December is focused on day care centers through book giving, storytelling and similar educational activities. The “inreach” target is to develop access to support of various kinds for COF members needing it with ease and reliability particularly those members of advancing years or who are not much into practice anymore.

The College throughout the year will strive with renewed passion and purpose to pursue its commitment of being a mainstay of leadership and responsibility within the UAP. And through its Programs and Projects will also continue in consistently promoting the interests of the UAP in general and the COF in particular to advance the profession of architecture through each member and the College by stimulating interests and sharing among the COF members, with the Organization and the general membership, and increasing its service to society and in mentoring the young and emerging architects.
the inaugural 2017 highlights
UAP Attends UIA World Arki Congress in Seoul

Delegates from the United Architects of the Philippines (UAP) took part in the 2017 International Union of Architects (UIA) World Architects Congress, a premier forum for professionals and future leaders in the field of architecture to exchange the best and latest practices, visions and first-hand experience.

The UIA Congresses, composed of the Seoul World Architects Congress and the 27th UIA General Assembly, were held from September 3 to 10, 2017, at COEX and Dongdaemun Design Plaza, Seoul, South Korea, respectively.

Themed ‘Soul of City’, it is based on unique features of Seoul, the capital of South Korea, in its long history from the prehistoric era to the present day. Advanced technologies as well as natural elements of river, streams and mountains have been another key sources and concerns for all built-environments in the city.

Various topics were tackled by way of roundtable discussions, workshops, trainings and seminars, which included the seven (7) areas, such as Architectural Education, Heritage, Green and Sustainability, Cross Border Practice, Young Architects, Professional Practice, and Technology in Architecture Design. Presentation of papers, concerts and tours were also the highlights of the event. Meanwhile, the 27th UIA General Assembly featured the revision of statutes and bylaws, the election of UIA Bureau and Council members, and selection of host city for the 29th edition of UIA General Assembly, which will be held by 2023.

The Philippine delegation to the said regional event were led by UAP National President Architect Guillermo Hisancha, along with several national officers, past national presidents and members.

According to its website, the UIA has chosen Seoul due to its accessible, affordable and adaptive city for foreign delegates. Also, Seoul has been awarded as a Creative City of Design by UNESCO appreciates Seoul’s abundant cultural heritage, creative policies supporting the development of architecture. The UIA coordinates with the Federation of Institutes of Korean Architects (FIKA), by way of providing an excellent opportunity to share and exchange information and offer programmes of sustainable socio-economic and architectural developments in the all UIA member sections.

UAP Mourns Passing of Arch. Fidel Jose Siapno

The United Architects of the Philippines (UAP) is mourning the loss of Professional Regulatory Board of Architecture (PRBoA) Member Architect Fidel Jose R. Siapno, FUAP, AA, EUAP who died on Saturday, September 16.

The finalized wake and cremation for Arch. Fidel Siapno was at St. Peter Chapel along Quezon Avenue, Quezon City, including the Body viewing last Sept. 18, Cremation and Urn view-

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UIA Announces World Architecture Day Theme

The International Union of Architects (UIA) representing more than one million architects worldwide, announces the theme of the World Architecture Day (WAD) 2017 “Acting Against Climate Change!”

The threat of climate change is real. Rapid urbanization and building developments are increasing our fuel energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.

The UIA supports every initiatives following the 2015 Paris Climate Change Agreement to combat the impact of climate change on the environment and humanity. It calls upon all architects and architecture organizations in the world to mobilize efforts to respond to these initiatives.

The UIA Members worldwide will, on 2nd October, celebrate their achievements and visions of architecture that is responsible, innovative and enriching communities.

The UIA will participate and support the events in COP 23 in Bonn, Germany on 6-17 November 2017 and the World Urban Forum 9 in Kuala Lumpur on 7-13 February 2018 to promote Climate Change Action.

(Courtesy: UAP Website)

They will also organize another CPD Seminars on October 28 and November 18, 2017 in collaboration with various Districts and Chapters of the UAP. All of these are noteworthy efforts and I sincerely thank you for your continued support over the first quarter of my present administration.

Let us work together and make this fiscal year a more productive and successful one as we are guided by the principles of UNITY, ACCOUNTABILITY and PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE. We always remember that our service is a BLESSING.

It is my renewed appreciation for the special love of so many of us for our Organization. 

Arch. Guillermo H. Hisancha, FP, APECAr., ASEANAr., DFRI/4
UAP National President
What does it mean by "universal design" and "accessibility"? Who are the stakeholders? Should we be concerned? In commemoration of the 39th National Disability Prevention and Rehabilitation (NPDR) Week, the National Council on Disability Affairs (NCDA) joined together with the United Architects of the Philippines (UAP) and Architects for Accessibility (AFA) in bringing local persons with disability (PWD) champions among the few who can best represent and remind if not impart the universal design consciousness to our primary regulating bodies which are the local government units (LGUs) through a seminar entitled "Foundation of Accessibility and Universal Design for Government Buildings" held last July 28, 2017 in UAP Headquarters, Quezon City.

"Empathy" as defined is "the ability to understand and share the feelings of another." Guest speakers would always mention, "what about us?" to reiterate emphasis on empathy - with common aspiration for inclusion and independence, in a world full of opportunities. Among our local PWD champions were: a) our renowned blind architect, Jaime Silva, chairman of the UAP Committee on Accessibility, b) Ms. Carmen Zubiaga, NCDA Officer in-charge, and c) Architect Erico Abordo, co-founder of AFA.

The auditorium was filled with 134 participants comprising of the organizers from NCDA, UAP, and AFA, including representatives of the Metro Manila Mayors, Building Officials, and District Engineers from Department of Public Works and Highways - National Capital Region (DPWH-NCR), representatives from Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA), and PWD groups in Metro Manila. The organizers hope to see much improvement in the implementation of the Batas Pambansa (BP344) or Accessibility Law as they continue to pursue their advocacy through influence on greater audience.

As Zubiaga would say, "a world that is accessible is a world for all, not only for PWDs but including children and the aging population; at least everyone ages, why wait for it, when you can do it now."

Established in 2016, Architects For Accessibility (AFA) is a sub-group of the UAP-Quezon City Central chapter, and has since, been active in promotion of universal accessibility and design by support of the NCDA and through coordination with various Chapters and Committees under the UAP, as well as other entities such as Local Government Units, National Agencies and private establishments. Send us your feedback! Email us at qccentral.uap@gmail.com. Like us on Facebook: ‘Architects for Accessibility’ @architects4accessibility.
RK100 BEGINS YEAR WITH SOCIAL AND COM DEV'T EVENTS

Rizal-Kalayaan 100 chapter started FY 2017-2018 by sharing their experience and time through various activities. Led by chapter president Arch. Gloria S. Historillo, the officers were invited to be jury members of a class on Research Methods for Architecture (RMA) of the UST College of Architecture last 1 July 2017. They critiqued and gave recommendations to graduating students with proposals on housing, health facilities and tourism development.

Aside from Arch. Historillo, the other officers included Architects Allan James Reyes (immediate past president), Xandra Alejandro (secretary); Jennifer B. Verano and Dong Hun-Lee (director).

Arch. Felicisimo A. Tejuco, Jr., past district director of district A-5 and chapter president, also participated in a series of mural paintings of four pumping stations along the Pasig River in Manila from June to September 2017. These included the stations of Binondo, Quiapo, Arroceros Park and Paco.

The painting event is a joint project of Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA) and the British Council. One of the accredited partners is One Redesign Manila (One RDM), wherein Arch. Tejuco is a board member. One RDM provided the painting volunteers composed of professionals and students.

Incidentally, the chapter celebrated its 13th anniversary last 11 August 2017 at Gerry’s Grill along Kalayaan Avenue. Supported by its event partner Boysen, attendees included past presidents, chapter officers and members.
UAP-Makati Induction of New Officers and Members

Lovin’ MC at 40, the ArchiVolution Grand Premiere

Last July 21, 2017, the UAP Makati Chapter Archimorphosis 2016-2017 bid goodbye and welcomed the ArchiVolution 2017-18 Team with a special event celebration of welcoming our new members, revealing our new set of officers, giving thanks to our loyal members and inspiring pillars and looking back to a great year under Archimorphosis. It was a record-breaking season of renewed legacy and prestige.

The special night was graced by inspiring and influential guests, one of whom is the former DENR Secretary and Environmentalist, Ms Gina Lopez through a personal video message of inspiration and love to the Chapter. Back to back with another honora-...
UAP District C1 Inducts
New District Council & Chapter Officers

By Arch. Karl Aries Emerson F. Cabilao, FUAP

The spacious ballroom of the Waterfront Hotel Lahug turned into a glowing banquet hall fit for the incoming leaders of the United Architects of the Philippines Regional District C1 (UAP RDC1). The new set of UAP RDC1 officers and council members, headed by District Director Emmanuel Cuizon, as well as the officers of the nine chapters of the District were sworn into office. Cuizon takes over the directorship from outgoing district director Augusto Lee. Administering their oaths were the UAP national officers headed by national president Guillermo Hisancha, FUAP, national executive vice president Benjamin Panganiban, Jr., FUAP, secretary general Renato Heray, FUAP, and national auditor Eldred Caesar Tan, FUAP.

The new chapter officers were led by their respective chapter presidents: Armund Claro (UAP Cebu), Valentino Vergara (UAP Rajah Humabon), Zorich Guia (UAP Dumaguete), German Janus Guidaben (UAP Bohol), Elmer Laguna (UAP Cebu), Elise Demiar (UAP Suzhig), O’Neal Aspera (UAP Cebu), Glicerio Villacorta, Jr. (UAP Metro Cebu) and Rene Perez (UAP Cebu Fort San Pedro).

The highlight of the night was the awarding of the UAP RDC1 Lifetime Achievement Award to one of Cebu’s premier architects, Manuel Guanzon, FUAP. Guanzon, whose practice flourished in the 70’s, was known for giving Cebu some of the most notable architecture like the Fairmart Shopping Center in Colon, Abacus Building, Pag-IBIG Fund WT Tower and Cebu Parklane International Hotel, among many others. He received the award from the UAP National and District leaders with his family looking on.

The architects of UAP RDC1, led by the newly-installed officers, are looking forward to a busy year ahead with promoting and strengthening the profession and organizing and participating in continuing professional development activities.

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UAP Negrense Hosts Regional District C2 Joint Chapter Induction and Turnover Ceremonies

The UAP Regional District C2 held their Joint Chapter Induction and Turnover Ceremonies for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 last August 6, 2017 at the La Posa 1 & 2, L’Fisher Hotel, 15th Lacson St., Bacolod City, Negros Occidental hosted by UAP Negrense Chapter spearheaded by Incoming Chapter President Rogely R. Gambito-Lora, UAP, together with her Event Committees from the UAP Mt. Kanla-on and UAP Bacolod Chapters.

The Theme was “PAGPADAYON: In Continuance for Unity, Accountability and Professional Excellence,” coined as such which means to carry on the act of continuing. It was a newfangled vow and oath for the district, chapter officers and the new members before NP Guillermo Hisancha, FUAP, AA, APEC Ar., DFRIA, NEVP Benjamin K. Panganiban, Jr., FUAP, APEC Ar., AA; SecGen Renato A. Heray, FUAP, AA, PALA; Area C Vice President Moises L. Abellera, UAP; and Gil Vergara Japitana, UAP for commitment, persistence and promotion of the profession towards local and provincial level.

Newly inducted RDC2 District Director was Felipe B. Jocson, UAP together with his appointed district officers which include Jonathan Iral, UAP, Michael Andrew Penalosa, UAP, and Rogely R. Gambito-Lora, UAP as the new Chapter Presidents for UAP Bacolod, UAP Mt. Kanla-on and UAP Negrense respectively with their Chapter Officers and Special Committees. A Fellowship followed after the Formal Ceremony with Raffle Prizes sponsored by Pacific Paint (Boysen) Phils., Inc.

UAP SUGBU WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS, ADOPTS A SCHOOL

By Arch. Karl Aries Emerson F. Cubilo, FUAP

The new UAP Sugbu members, all 55 of them, were given a grand welcome during the chapter’s August general membership meeting (GMM) held at the BG Hotel along Parkmall Drive, Mandaue City, Cebu. They took their oaths of membership in front of the chapter officers, led by President Elise Demiar, the members and their inducting officer, UAP National Auditor Eldred Caesar Tan, FUAP.

The new members immediately experienced the professionally-enriching character of Sugbu GMM’s as they listened and took part in the discussion about the architect-engineer relationship as allied professionals in the field of design and construction. On the panel were architect-civil engineer “twins” Kelvin and Kris Go as well as UAP Sugbu’s past Director Emmanuel Jesus Avila, FUAP. The panelists shared their experiences in the practice as fledgling professionals which gave important insights to the new architects in the hall. VP-Operations Neil Menjares and past president Buck Sia acted as moderators.

Just a week after the GMM, UAP Sugbu Chapter headed to Naga City in the southern part of Cebu for its first corporate social responsibility (CSR) activity. The architects visited the Mayana Elementary School, where they donated books, school supplies and a laptop for the school. They then spent the morning repainting parts of the school building and stage as well as the tables and chairs of the pupils. They also had some time bonding with over 200 young pupils through fun games and activities.

The activity, headed by chapter officers Ariane Alix, Steffi Go and Keisha Plaza, was done in coordination with the Lions Club and Davies Paints.

Private groups and academe collaborated to extend assistance and treats to fire victims of Lower, Matimco, Barangay Subangdaku. The United Architects of the Philippines (UAP) Datu Lapu-lapu Chapter headed by Architect Elmer Laguna, Cebu Lumad Lions Club whose President Architect Joseph Judilla is also UAP Datu Lapu-lapu’s Vice President and students of Cebu Technological University volted in to extend an outreach program to the fire victims and the street kids (SKIDS). The activity also was with a major support from Davies Paints Philippines, Inc. The group handed over sacks of rice and used clothing to Subangdaku Barangay Captain Hon. Ernie Manatad. Other than that the children were also given various treats as they were served with a sumptuous breakfast and lunch. In between were lessons and games by the CTU students. It was indeed a Sunday well spent for the group, their families and all beneficiaries.

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motion of R.A. 9266 to our provincial and local legislators. A follow-up meeting together with the RDC2 District Officers and the LGLUs will be synched properly and hopefully, can yield positively with the help from our UAP Executives.

A Product Presentation was held by Phelps Dodge Philippines Energy while sumptuous lunch was prepared by Pacific Paint (Boysen) Philippines, Inc.
The United Architects of the Philippines has added another chapter to its already long roster of local and foreign chapters with the chartering of Sinlayan Dabaw Chapter. The new chapter, belonging to Regional District D1 and based in Davao City, is the UAP’s 150th chapter.

The official chartering ceremonies were held at The Royal Mandaya Hotel in Davao City last August 22, 2017. It was well attended by members of the National Board of Directors, led by UAP National President Guillermo Hisancha, who handed the Certificate of Charter to the chapter’s Charter President Arch. Isidoro Malaque III. Another highlight of the event was the presentation of the Chapter Banner and Gavel by Area D Vice President Trinidad Saligumba, which was followed by the symbolic lighting of candles by the 38 charter members. Immediately after the chartering rites, the induction of the chapter’s officers took place.

Aside from NP Hisancha and AVP Saligumba, other members of the National Board of Directors who were on hand to witness the momentous occasion were National Executive Vice President Benjamin Panganiban, Secretary General Rene Heray, National Auditor Eldred Caesar Tan, District D1 Director Elwyn Banares, and District D3 Director Albert Rosel.

Sinlayan Dabaw Chapter is the 8th chapter in the Davao Region and the 10th in District D1. The formation of the group was brought about because of the growing number of new architects in Southern Mindanao, where five architecture schools are located, and added to the fact that Davao City has been made as testing venue for the Architecture Licensure Examination.

The chapter’s nomenclature is derived from the local vernacular word, “sinlayan,” which means beacon of light. Since most of its members are faculty and Masteral students of the University of the Philippines - Mindanao, the name is in line with the chapter’s thrust to be a source of enlightenment and knowledge to architects and aspiring architects through researches and academic lectures.

UAP Metro Cebu Chapter Holds CPD Seminar

By Arch. Karl Aries Emerson F. Cabilao, FUAP

Just a week after a well-attended and very successful seminar organized by the UAP District C1 and the UAP Design Build Services Committee, another CPD seminar provided architects from this area of the country with an opportunity for professional growth. The one-year-old UAP Metro Cebu Chapter, under the leadership of President Glicerio Villacorta, held a CPD Seminar dealing with three important topics last August 26, 2017 at the Sarossa Hotel, Mabolo, Cebu City.

UAP Metro Cebu Chapter invited three accomplished architects to serve as speakers for their first CPD seminar of the fiscal year. UAP National Executive Vice President Benjamin Panganiban, Jr., FUAP, Arch. Armando Eugene De Guzman, FUAP and Arch. James Jao, FUAP, PIID composed the illustrious set of speakers for the whole-day seminar that attracted more than 300 architects inside and outside District C1. Arch. Panganiban talked on the value of CPD for the architects while Arch. De Guzman discussed the details on starting and sustaining the "small practice". Arch. Jao wrapped up the whole-day event with a lecture on how to get published.
EDITOR’S NOTE: The views and opinions expressed in this article are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the position of the Publication or of the Organization as a whole. Thank you.

3. Article X, Section 10.3 of the 2016 UAP By-laws
A quorum for any meeting of the members shall consist of Majority of Chapters in Good Standing.

ARGUMENT:
Again, this is in BLATANT VIOLATION of the Corporation Code of the Philippines.

Section 52 of the Corporation Code states that a quorum shall consist of a majority of the members in the case of non-stock corporations.

SEC issued an opinion recently (SEC-CGC Opinion No. 16-07, April 4, 2016) that “the Articles of Incorporation or the By-laws cannot provide for a lesser number” than what is required in the Corporation Code.

It is “the first requisite of validity that the by-laws must be consistent with and not repugnant to or in contravention of the laws of the land. The by-laws are subordinate to the Corporation Code and related statutes, and should therefore not be inconsistent with any of these. Thus, in case of conflict between the Corporation Code and by-laws, the former shall prevail.”

VERILY, ANY PROVISION IN THE BY-LAWS, NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW, IS NOT VALID!

4. Article XIII, Section 13.02 of the 2016 UAP By-laws
Proposals and recommendation for amendments may be submitted by an Area or Chapter Organization to the National Board of Directors for approval.

ARGUMENT:
Again, this is in BLATANT VIOLATION of the Corporation Code of the Philippines.

Section 48 of the Corporation Code of the Philippines provides that in a non-stock corporation, the By-laws may be amended in two ways. The first is by a majority of the members of a non-stock corporation. The second is by delegating this power to the board by the vote of 2/3 of the members in a non-stock corporation.

Therefore, the National Board of Directors has no power to approve the proposal and recommendation for amendments of the by-laws without the required numbers.

It is a general rule that when the constitution or the by-laws of a corporation specifies the mode of amendment, the prescribed mode mentioned in Section 48 of the Corporation Code of the Philippines shall be followed in substance in order for the amendments to be valid and binding.

Lastly, I dissent to the statement of the pNEPV where she mentioned that “AS TO AMENDMENTS, WE DO NOT FOLLOW THE CORPORATION CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES BECAUSE OUR UAP 2009 BYLAWS CONTAIN ARTICLE XV FOR AMENDMENTS”. This is absolutely unlawful.

THE BY-LAWS SHOULD BE CONSTRUED AND GIVEN EFFECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW. THE BY-LAWS, SHOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH THE CORPORATION CODE. The SEC in its several opinions explicitly stated that: “IT IS THE FIRST REQUISITE OF VALIDITY THAT THE BY-LAWS MUST BE CONSISTENT WITH AND NOT REPUGNANT TO OR IN CONTRAVENION OF THE LAWS OF THE LAND. THE BY-LAWS ARE SUBORDINATE TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AS WELL AS THE CORPORATION CODE AND RELATED STATUTES, AND SHOULD THEREFORE NOT BE INCONSISTENT WITH ANY OF THESE. OTHERWISE, THEY WOULD HAVE NO BINDING EFFECT (G.R. 23241, PHIL 584).


Let us therefore refrain from erroneous reporting. I hope that the UAP Post will publish this letter in the spirit of balance reporting. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

ARCH. ROBERTO R. ROSAL, FIAP, ASEAN Arch.
Past National President
United Architects of the Philippines

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continuation of cpd seminars november to december 2017
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