National President’s Message

It has been a fruitful fiscal year of activities and projects, and as we hold the 44th UAP National Convention, it is my duty to provide our officers and members a comprehensive, dedicated and transparent overview of the National President’s Midyear Report for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

One of the many stories of this Midyear Report focuses on the continuance of our humble success which will concentrate 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 banner “UNITY, ACCOUNTABILITY and PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE”, a positive path of continuity to the commitment of UAP to its members and the profession which we embody.

The UAP has progressed leaps and bounds, succeeded and obviously noticed that for the sixth time, was again awarded the PRC’s Most Outstanding Professional Organization of the Year; the only organization who was able to achieve the feat. And, in just a few months ago, the DTI-CIAP conferred the first time award to our Organization recognizing our significant contributions to the Philippine Construction Industry and in nation building over the years as an Accredited Professional Organization (APO) - an honor that is especially close to my heart being the UAP National President.

To all of those who have been working with me to achieve a common goal, our current National Board of Directors, Executive Directors, Committee Chairpersons, officers and members of Special and Standing Committees, Chapters Officers and many dedicated and untiring volunteers - your time and efforts are always appreciated.

We have come a very long way together with the help and support of each and every one of us. You are behind every success described in this report. I remain confident that together we will continue to strive for greatness.

ARCH. GUILLERMO H. HISANCHA, FUAP, AA, APEC ARCH., DFRIA
National President
United Architects of the Philippines
Oath Taking of the National Board of Directors for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 at the Maynila Ballroom, Manila Hotel on 29 June 2017

File photo from UAP National
The UAP Past National Presidents attend the PAdayon: The 2017 Inaugural held on 30 June 2017 at the Maynila Ballroom, Manila Hotel. (from left) PNP Ramon S. Mendoza, PNP Ana Mangalino-Ling, IPP Maria Benita Ochoa-Regala, PNP Yolanda David-Reyes (PRC Commissioner), (from right) PNP Medeliano T. Roldan, Jr., PNP Edric Marco C. Florentino, PNP Richela C. Alcordo, and IP Guillermo H. Hisanoha.

(from right) DPWH Undersecretary for Technical Services Hon. Raul C. Ajas attends the 2017 Inaugural as Guest Speaker on June 29, 2017 at the Maynila Ballroom, Manila Hotel.
The UAP has been my professional home – a place where I have found purpose, value, and enduring commitment and service to our members.

AR. GUILLERMO H. HISANCHA
UAP National President
UAP Celebrates 43rd Founding Anniversary
SIGNING OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN PCL AND UAP

The Philippine Councilors League, the nationwide association of the 16,000-strong city and municipal councilors, expressed its full support, through its Chairman, Hon. Danilo C. Dayanghirang to the United Architects of the Philippines last June 30, 2017, in conjunction with the Padayon: The 2017 Inaugural.

The PCL and UAP sealed their partnership though a Memorandum of Agreement as both of the parties espouse a common commitment and objective to promote local economic development (and protect the rights and good 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 otherwise known as the Architecture Act of 2004.

As the local legislators play a key and powerful role in the enactment of laws and ordinances to promote the common good, social order and economic development of the community, the PCL committed to launch and spearhead an advocacy campaign among all its members for the passage of a resolution enforcing and implementing fully the pertinent provisions of RA 9266 and its implementing rules and regulations.

Witnessed by the Chapters Presidents and National Officers who attended the Padayon 2017, the agreement was signed by PCL Chairman Hon. Dayanghirang and UAP National President Ar. Guillermo H. Hisanca.
Connecting & Building
Collaborative Partnership towards Nation Building

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.

Arch. Marie Stephanie Magdalena N. Gilsen, 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).

UAP Emergency Architects Committee

Signing of Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)
UAP, ACCORD, & CARE

Signing of Memorandum of Agreement between UAP — alongside UAP National President Guillermo H. Hisanca and UAP National Executive Vice President Benjamin Pangilinan — UAP Emergency Architects, CARE and ACCORD, held at the UAP National Headquarters, Diliman, Quezon City.
Connecting & Building
Collaborative Partnership towards Nation Building

On September 21, 2017, the United Architects of the Philippines (UAP) Committee on Environment and Ecology represented by Josefin B. Alfonso, Matthew S. Chua, Mon Jekris E. Servillo, and Ramon L. Abiera (UAP AGAP Chair) together with National President Guillermo H. Hisancha, National Executive Vice President Benjamin K. Pangangan Jr., and Commission on Governmental and External Affairs Executive Director Gil V. Jaquinta went to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) to meet with Secretary Roy Cimatu.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss to Secretary Cimatu the project of the committee dubbed, “UAP Tanim +58: Road to 100 Years” and to discuss the crafting of Memorandum of Agreement between UAP and DENR.

The humble secretary was very accommodating to UAP and showed a very positive response in making sure that the partnership will cause ease in local Chapter’s coordination with PENRO and CENRO offices nationwide. The DENR Secretary even quipped that he’s very interested in working with architects in tree planting activities simply because our profession has direct link with massive consumption of lumber. And it is just fitting for architects to restore what we have gained from logging.

Secretary Cimatu also wants the organization to allot a certain percentage for endemic trees in its yearly tree planting activity until it reach its centennial year. He wants this project not just to be a tool for nationwide reforestation, but also to be of national significance.

The next step for this partnership to be official are the signing of Memorandum of Agreement and symbolic tree planting.

The Committee on Environment and Ecology would like to express their sincerest gratitude to Ma. Cecilia C. Viray, Chairperson of Committee on Professional Development, for her great effort in making this meeting possible.

UAP Emergency Architects in action

UAP-EA in action: Fabrication and Testing of the “Kuhol Tent” as conceptualized by Deputy Arch. Jose Miranda, an Alternative Temporary Shelter deployable to post-disaster temporary situations (evacuation centers, open spaces available for use). It was set up at Luntiang Republika Eco Farms, Alfonso, Cavite.

Roundtable discussion with Mr. Melo Acuña, alongside UAP EA Chairman Arch. Steph Gilles, Marawi Foundation Academy President Fahad Pimping, and other witnesses of the Marawi siege. Tackled in this press con were actual happenings in Marawi, overview of the Alternative Temporary Shelters by UAP Emergency Architects in partnership with ACCORD-CARE and other means to be able to help in re-establishing Marawi. The press con was held at Lido Cocina Tsima, Quezon City.
Connecting & Building
Collaborative Partnership towards Nation Building

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. Edison M. Padilla together with Vice Chairman of the Board of Consultants of the DPWH NBCDO Arch. Rey S. Gaboran 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 Secretary’s Cottage, Cabinets Hill, Baguio City.

UAP attends the review of the Proposed Philippine Building Act

UAP Emergency Architects in action

Coordination meeting with UAP National President, Guillermo Hisano, and Marawi Foundation Academy President, King Fahad Pimping, regarding UAP Joint Area Assembly 2017 CSR project - BUKLOD’s BOOK LOAD: a mobile mini library for the displaced children of Marawi – with UAP Emergency Architects, Team Bayanihang Arsitektura and CGEA – National and Civic Affairs. It was conducted at the UAP Headquarters.

UAP EA Chairperson, Ar. Steph Gilles, was interviewed at SEAMEO INNOTECH by ABSCBN regarding the features and applications of the Alternative Temporary Shelters. She mentioned the BOOK LOAD mini mobile library CSR project of JAA and the schools that need help to build their satellite centers in Iligan, the Marawi Academy Foundation of Al Prince Fadil being one of them.

UAP EA Core Group Officers launched the EA Panay Caravan: “Sowing the Seeds of Resiliance” at Casa Real, Iloilo City.

UAP EA Chairman Stephanie Gilles and Deputy Chair Jose Miranda were invited by Department of Health to give a seminar to technical professionals designing Drug Rehab Centers all over the country. It was conducted at Makati Palace Hotel.

UAP EA Chair Arch. Steph Gilles and Field Assessment Head Ar. Eric Sanies had a short trip to Marawi to meet with Fikrud Pimping, Ashraf Mohammad (UAPSA-Iligan), LUU Officials (City Information Officer, DRIM Officer, Infrastructure Officer, with other officials) and program partners from CARE Philippines. They presented the Alternative Temporary Shelters at Marawi.
2018 Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Stakeholders Awards

The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) in cooperation with the United Architects of the Philippines (UAP) has kicked off 2018 BSP Stakeholders Awards particularly for the Accessibility Award: Isang pagkilala sa mga bangko na may mga pasilidad at istraktura na tumutugon sa pangangailangan ng mga konsumer na may kapansanan.

The BSP has long supported the objective of Batas Pambansa (BP) 344, An Act to Enhance the Mobility of Persons with Disability by Requiring Certain Buildings, Institutions, Establishments and Public Utilities to install Facilities and Other Devices to ensure equal and non-discriminatory access to banking offices particularly by persons with disability.

The Accessibility Award shall recognize banks that fully adhere to the required details and specifications of the accessibility features that should be provided for persons with disabilities. The BSP believes that this will promote a greater sense of awareness and responsibility in creating a banking system that is more inclusive, non-discriminating, and protective of financial consumers. The BSP will work with the UAP Committee on Accessibility Audits for Private Buildings (CAAPB) in the assessment of nominees.

UAP Committee on Fire & Construction Safety


With this resolution architects may now harness more of their capabilities to design and can do away with such constraints which impede their artistic prowess vis-à-vis technical know-how.
International Collaborations and Building Stronger Connections

International Collaborations and Building Stronger Connections

19th ARQASIA Forum in Jaipur, Rajasthan, India (21-25 May 2017)

Philippine Trade and Investment Mission to Cities of Jakarta and Istanbul, Turkey (5-9 February 2018)

ASEAN Architect Education Committee (AEC) 13 October 2017

88th ASEAN Coordinating Committee Meeting in Bangkok, Thailand (15-19 January 2018)
International Collaborations and Building Stronger Connections

The UAP attends the 1st ARCASIA Committee on Young Architects Stormathon held on 13th December 2017 in Chiang Mai, China.
UAP Celebrates 2017 World Architecture Day
ACCOUNTABILITY

A golden value that promotes responsibility regarding the acceptance of UAP’s firmness in its decisions regarding varied matters such as crucial lobbying for implementation of important Architectural laws and related legalities; an ever watchful eye to protect the welfare of architects and architecture itself and cultivate supportive leadership and internal management, with the purpose of direction that will make UAP efficient and transparent in its actions. This also includes courting back to the fold inactive members, more participation of members, especially provincial and international chapters to a more active engagement in organizational decisions, with the intent of giving merit to those who are giving their best and more for UAP. UAP aims in doing by example, actions that are anchored in social responsibility, the reputation that UAP is pillar of vitality and the receptacle of information for the Filipino architect.

GOVERNANCE
- Continuously work on the full implementation of R.A. 9266 and its IRSS
- Continuously work on drafting and passage of the Architectural Code of the Philippines
- Vigilance of other professional laws adversely affecting the practice of architecture
- Institute effective governance within the organization pursuant to the UAP Bylaws
- Institute programs and mechanism on financial transparency and reporting
- Ensure adherence to corporate governance principles and best practices

MEMBERSHIP
- Increase membership by bringing back to the fold all inactive members
- Promote advantages of APEC and ASEAN Architects and encourage accreditation among Members
- Institute awards and recognition of exemplary performances of members and chapters
- Involve UAP members from the provinces and abroad to take an active role in the national leadership (i.e. standing committees, special committees)

ORGANIZATION
- Institutionalize UAP Regional Offices
- Embed Corporate Social Responsibility
- Project that UAP is a respected professional organization, a defender for Filipino Architects and a tower of strength of the architectural profession
- Maintain and reinforce the UAP as communication center for all types of data and information needs of members thru the use of modern technology
Unified Nomination

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 Architecture, Guild of Philippine Architects in Conservation, Architectural Archives Philippines, Council of Deans and Heads of Architectures School in the Philippines, University of Santo Tomas College of Architecture Alumni Association. Manosa 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.

The UNIFIED NOMINATION of UAP Likha Awardee Arch. Francisco “Bobby” T. Mañosa for National Artist in Architecture was signed July 28, at the UAP National Headquarters in Quezon City.
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.

Key speakers (Center Left); Mr. Lord Louis P. Valera, OIC PRC International Affairs Division and (Center Right); Hon. Robert S. Sac, Chairman of the Professional Regulatory Board of Architecture (PPBoA) promote the importance and advantages of accreditation amongst the APEC and ASEAN Architects.

UAP National Executive Vice President Arch. Benjamin K. Panganiban, Jr. was invited by the Philippine Councilors League to talk on the role of architecture profession for livable communities during the 3rd Quarterly National Executive Officers - National Board Meeting and Continuing Local Legislative Education Program. The event was held last 18-20 September 2017 at SMX Convention Center, SM Lanang, Davao City.

Architect Panganiban underscored that ARCHITECTS are uniquely suited to advocate for more livable communities as they are trained to solve problems, make ideas visible, and synthesize fragmented parts into a coherent whole, all within the context of the built environment.

Architect Panganiban expressed gratitude to the PCL for the Memorandum of Agreement entered into with UAP last June 30, 2017, highlighting the role of architects in public safety and welfare which deals with accessibility, sustainability, fire and safety standards, and livability wherein this must be taken into consideration by the local government unit in architectural planning and design to assure the construction of safe and sustainable buildings and communities.
Embed CSR Initiatives and Activities

The Committee on Joint Area Assembly in collaboration with the Committee on Bayanihan Arkitektura and Committee on Emergency Architects was recently launched a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Project dubbed as BUKLOD’s BOOK LOAD, which aims to fund and provide a mobile mini library for the displaced children of Marawi. This embeds corporate social responsibility initiatives and activities in all levels of the organization.

A Joint CSR Project for the Elderly in partnership with “Failon Ngayon”

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

The Office of the National President issued Memorandum Circular encouraging all UAP members to attend and participate in the 6th Philippine Professional Summit with CPD units held on October 25-26, 2017 at the Manila Hotel, Manila, as part of the celebration of the “Philippine Professionals Competitive Week”.

UAP attends the 6th Philippine Professional Summit
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 were 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 endeavour of the Philippine army to help children in war conflicted areas.

The UAP, (and) partners turnover of new school building in Tacloban

The joint undertaking among partners Architects Regional Council Asia, National Housing Authority, UAP Bayanihang Arkiyektra, 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. Hisanca, UAP National President; Arch. Benjamin K. Pangaraban, 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. Wilfredo A. Arante, School Principal; Hon. Noel A. Martinez, Hon. Cyril Malinao and Hon. Eric Butalid, Chairpersons of Barangays 52, 54 and 53, respectively; Mr. Hector Go, Project Coordinator; several officers and members of UAP Regional District C3; and the whole school community.

Past National Executive Vice President Architect Ramon Abiera formally took his oath of office as the newly-appointed Executive Director of the Construction Industry Authority of the Philippines (CIAP), an attached agency of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), which accelerates, promotes and regulates the growth of the construction industry.

CIAP exercises jurisdiction and supervision over the following implementing boards: the Philippine Contractors Accreditation Board (PCAB), which issues, suspends, and revokes licenses of contractors; the Philippine Domestic Construction Board (PDCB), assigned to formulate, recommend, and implement policies, guidelines, plans, and programs for the efficient implementation of public and private construction in the country; the Philippine Overseas Construction Board (POCB) which assigned to formulate strategies and programs for developing the country’s overseas construction industry; and the last one was the Construction Industry Arbitration Commission (CIAC) which takes charge of disputes arising from, or connected with government and private contracts.
UAP Celebrates 2017 National Architecture Week
Professional EXCELLENCE

Professional excellence had been chosen as a major theme because of its significance to architectural practice. It is a fitting principle as architects had strived years to perfect and receive certification from the accrediting government body that they may practice as professionals. In continuing such competence, the architect’s mind must always be fed with technical and innovative information that will maintain and elevate the know-how. These will be achieved thru prioritizing programs about continuing professional education with an angle on modernization, practice of basic and advanced skills to keep the knowledge intact.

Providing effective, efficient, and diligent service through our commitment to culture of professional excellence

Integrity and Professional Development:

- Provide sufficient amount of quality CPE seminars and learning modules for the architects’ continuing growth fields
- Institutionalize and strengthen scholarship grants for qualified members
- Advertise and campaign for the public understanding and appreciation of the importance of architectural services
- Work for a significant and influential position for architects in various levels of the government

In response and to address the increasing concerns on the implementation of CPD Law mandating all professionals, the UAPs Policy directions for CPD – accessibility, affordability and appropriateness, seek to bridge the gap between compliance with the law, and our commitment to serve all Filipino Architects and the general public.

All Areas, Districts and Chapters were directed to offer CPD Seminars and Trainings for free or at the most minimal cost to be of purely service to our members.

On 14 February 2018, the UAP was invited to attend the Public Hearing on Continuing Professional Development (CPD) conducted by the Committee on Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation at the Session Hall of the Senate of the Philippines. Our Organization is well represented through the Committee on Continuing Professional Development headed by Arch. Alberto C. Dumlao, the Committee on Professional Development Commission Vice Chairman, Arch. Felicisimo A. Tejucio, Jr., and the Committee on Legislation and Codes headed by Arch. Carlo Fundador B. Marudo, and submitted the Position Paper on Republic Act No. 10912 stating the challenges, opportunities and keys to improvement for the smooth implementation of its Comprehensive CPD Program as it aligns to R.A. 10912, with the primary objective of maintaining the highest standards of architectural practice, and at the same time addressing the needs of the general membership.
CPD Challenges
(Contuing Professional Development)

UAP Request Letter seeking clarification from the PRC / CPD Council for Architects on certain issues of the CPD for Architects

However, Section 1 (c) of Republic Act No. 9666, otherwise known as “The Architecture Act of 2004” states that “The Code of Ethics and/or the Code of Professional Responsibilities shall not be a necessary requirement for the renewal of a professional license.”

Relative to this, may we inquire if Republic Act No. 9666, which is one of the major laws governing the registration of architects, did not provide that the Code of Ethics and/or the Code of Professional Responsibilities shall not be a necessary requirement for the renewal of a professional license?

The Senate has conducted a public hearing last August 9 on the implementation of the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Act where various stakeholders voiced their concerns.

The forum was chaired by Senator Antonio Trillanes IV of the Committee on Civil Service Government Reorganization, and Professional Regulation, where Arch. Robert M. Mirafuente, Chairman of the CPD Council for Architecture, was invited as a resource person.

There, Arch. Mirafuente announced that as of August 1, his Council has already accredited 17 CPD providers and 110 CPD courses. Together, these accredited courses make up a total of 620 credit units, and are currently being offered all over the country including Metro Manila, Bacolod, Baguio, Cebu, Cagayan de Oro, General Santos, Lucena, Iligan, Cotabato, Davao, Bulacan, Laguna, and even Singapore. Arch. Mirafuente also described to the Committee the information dissemination efforts undertaken on the United Architects of the Philippines (UAP) website, including an updated calendar of events where architects can easily find courses that are relevant to them and all other information pertinent to it.

The UAP website also shares a detailed matrix of up to 55 different ways architects can earn credit units besides attending these accredited seminars and programs. Arch. Mirafuente recommended that architects explore the wide variety of options available to them, as this would give them a well-rounded CPD education.
CPD Challenges
(Continuing Professional Development)

Response Letter from the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) dated 4 January 2018

Dear Sir/Madam,

The letter is an excerpt from the December 2017 issue of the Professional Regulation Commission’s (PRC) official journal, the National President’s Annual Report FY 2017-2018. The letter is addressed to the National President of the Philippines Professional Regulation Commission (PRC), discussing the challenges faced by the PRC in implementing the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Program.

The letter highlights the need for clearer guidelines and regulations to ensure the effective implementation of the CPD Program. It also mentions the importance of continuous professional development for the professional and regulatory bodies.

The letter concludes with a call for the PRC to work collaboratively with the professional and regulatory bodies to address the challenges and ensure the successful implementation of the CPD Program.

Yours sincerely,
[Signature]

[Name]
National President
Philippine Professional Regulation Commission (PRC)

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An excerpt from the letter reads:

"The PRC has been faced with challenges in implementing the CPD Program, particularly in ensuring compliance among registered professionals. The letter highlights the need for clearer guidelines and regulations to guide the implementation of the CPD Program. The PRC has also expressed concerns about the lack of participation of registered professionals in the CPD Program, which is essential for the professional development of the respective professions.

The letter concludes with a call for the PRC to continue its efforts to improve the CPD Program and work collaboratively with the professional and regulatory bodies to address the challenges and ensure the successful implementation of the CPD Program.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

[Name]
National President
Philippine Professional Regulation Commission (PRC)
UAP Position Paper

The UAP CPD Experience - Challenges, Opportunities and Keys to Improvement

As the Integrated and Accredited Professional Organization of Architects (IAPOA) in the Philippines, the United Architects of the Philippines (UAP) has squarely taken on the challenge and responsibility of cooperating with the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) and the Professional Regulatory Board for Architecture (PRC ARC) in implementing RA 10912 or the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Act of 2016.

In line with this, the UAP has instituted the following policy directions for the smooth implementation of its Comprehensive CPD Program as it aligns to RA 10912, with the primary objective of maintaining the highest standards of architectural practice, and at the same time, addressing the needs of the general membership.

1. UAP CPD Policy
   (Accessibility, Affordability and Appropriateness)

1. ACCESSIBILITY

To make CPD Programs more accessible, the UAP has empowered and encouraged its more than 150 chapters in the Philippines and abroad to provide CPD Programs as a service to its members. To date, UAP Chapters have already hosted a total of 161 CPD Programs totaling 542 Credit Units (CUs).

It has also mandated its standing and special committees to provide CPD Programs whenever applicable. So far, UAP Committees have provided 29 Programs with 268.50 CUs.

On top of these are the National CPD Programs, conducted by the UAP Professional Development Commission (PDC), through its Committee on Professional Development. To date, the UAP PDC has conducted 42 CPD Programs totaling 129.50 CUs.

The UAP has also tapped its Annual National Conventions, Area Assemblies and District Assemblies as venues to provide CPD Programs. UAP NatCon43 held in April 2017, offered 14.5 CUs to its more than 4500 delegates. This year, UAP NatCon44 will be offering 17.0 to 19.5 CUs.

The UAP has also encouraged other Architectural Organizations like the Philippine Institute of Architects (PIA) to apply for accreditation as CPD Providers to be able to serve their members.

2. AFFORDABILITY

To address affordability, the UAP has encouraged its chapters and committees to provide CPD Seminars at minimum cost, if not free. The average cost per CU of CPD Programs (exclusive of food) provided by UAP chapters and committees is approximately Two Hundred Pesos (Php200).

The UAP has also provided CPD Programs for free, such as Arkilikha (UAP District A2a), Legal Forum on RA 9266, among many others.

The UAP has also partnered with Metrobank Foundation in providing free CPD Programs nationwide. To date, this partnership has produced free CPD Seminars in Iloilo, Davao and Cebu.

3. APPROPRIATENESS

The UAP, through the efforts of the Professional Development Commission, the various special and standing committees, chapters and districts, has endeavored to provide well-rounded CPD Programs featuring highly qualified resource persons and covering the entire scope of categories and topics as provided for in the Operational Guidelines of RA 10912.

Following is a breakdown per Category of CPD Programs the UAP has provided to date:

- Practice 295.75 CUs
- Design 293.75 CUs
- Sustainability 216.00 CUs
- Building Science 71.50 CUs
- Others 84.75 CUs
- TOTAL: 1061.75 CUs

Manila, Philippines - Since the implementation of the Continuing Professional Development in July 2017, no professional who applied for the renewal of his/her professional ID has ever been denied by PRC due to incomplete or lacking CPD units. The PRC exercises maximum flexibility in the implementation of the CPD and has made available for the professionals the Undertaking embedded in the Professional Identification Card (PIC) renewal form, thereby allowing the professional to complete and submit only the CPD units in the next renewal period three years after his/her first renewal under CPD Law.

The PRC directed all CPD Councils of the 43 regulated professions to review and if necessary, make amendments to their respective CPD Operational Guidelines to address the clamor of the professionals. Some CPD Councils have revised their respective operational guidelines to further make CPD more accessible and affordable.

PRC appeals on all professionals who care about public safety and welfare, those who wish to deliver the best services to their clients, patients and students to stand up, adhere and support this effort of the government in ensuring that our professionals are not left behind in information, skills, knowledge for the good and well-being of our countrymen.
II. Partnership and Cooperation

The UAP has been in constant partnership with the PRC, PRC-ARC and the CPD Council for Architecture for the smooth implementation of RA 10912. The PRC/PRC-ARC and the UAP has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for information dissemination, using the UAP website as the primary source of information for all matters concerning CPD for Architects.

The UAP has also established the CPD Secretariat, assisting the CPD Council for Architecture in receiving applications for CPD Program accreditation, and advising applicants.

The UAP, through the Special Committee on CPD, has also encouraged all Chapters to establish their own CPD Committees, to ensure better implementation of their CPD Programs.

The UAP has also partnered with the Philippine Institute of Environmental Planners (PIEP) to hold the first ever CPD Program to be jointly provided by two distinct CPD Providers entitled “Capability Building on Environmental Planning” held last January 2018, which offered 29.5 CU’s and attended by 75 participants. Another Seminar is tentatively set in April 2018.

III. Keys to Improvement

1. Establishment of Online Real-time Member’s Database

It is recommended that the PRC provide an Online Real-time CPD Database for Architects. This will show information regarding the PRC-accredited CPD Programs in which members have attended and the corresponding CUs earned. This way, Architects applying for renewal of their Professional Identification Card will not be burdened to provide documentary evidence of the fulfillment of their CPD requirements. This will also speed up assessment on the part of PRC and will deter possible corruption.

2. Cross-discipline CPD Programs

A significant number of Architects are also practicing other professions, such as Environmental Planning, Master Plumbing, Real Estate Brokerage, Interior Design and the like. This stems from the fact that architecture cuts across many other disciplines in its application. We propose that CPD Programs submitted and accredited for Architecture may be considered to be applicable to other disciplines related to it, after proper evaluation.

3. Regular Review of Operational Guidelines

It is recommended that regular review of the Operational Guidelines (OG) be instituted, at least once a year. For this initial year, the review for the following provisions of the OG for Architecture are recommended:

A. Categories

The way the 5 different categories are given equal weight, the current OG might be counterintuitive to the concept of specialization. Even if an Architect decides to acquire specialization CUs for his ‘others’ category, this would only comprise 40 percent of the total. To be considered a specialization, an Architect should be allowed to be credited more than 50 percent for a single category.

B. Post Graduate Academic Degrees

The present weight given to post graduate academic degrees is not commensurate to the time, effort, cost and learnings gained from these pursuits. It is recommended that the CUs for these academic qualifications be increased. Also, Architects should be able to claim CUs for their post graduate degrees regardless of when they acquired it. To address the issue of up-to-date learning, we propose that all post graduate degrees be given weight, with more points being credited if you apply these for renewal of PIC within three (3) years of finishing the course.

C. Online CPD Seminars

There are no definitive guidelines for online CPD seminars, and this is the major reason why UAP is finding it difficult to provide such seminars, although there are a few online CPD Programs being developed. The major issue that the CPD Council of Architecture has raised is the difficulty of monitoring - ensuring if the Architect subscribing to the Online Seminars has indeed watched it, and gained something from it. The UAP is addressing these concerns, and will come up with its first proposed Online CPD Program in the near future.

4. Review of Mandatory Provision

The UAP has received overwhelming complaints from its regular members, from all sectors, regarding the mandatory provision of RA 10912, making CPD a requirement for Professional Identification Card (PIC) Renewal. These members are of the opinion that making CPD a requirement for PIC Renewal is unfair and oppressive. They also believe that this has setup CPD providers, even the UAP itself, as money-making ventures.

The UAP acknowledges these sentiments and has forwarded to the PRC seeking clarification and possible amendments and changes to this provision, but at the same time is of the position that the welfare of the general public, as recipients of Architects’ professional service is more important. It is also the position of the UAP if it is possible, for more flexibility in terms of exercising the mandatory provision, or simply put, to institute a graduated CU requirement for Architects relative to the scope and complexity of services they provide in a manner that is flexible for the Architect to process and update.
UAP Committee on Young Architects (UAP-CYA) successfully conducted the first leg of its Continuing Professional Development Seminar-Workshop on Architectural Heritage Conservation with the theme "Heritage 101 for Young Architects “ last October 12-14, 2017 at Centennial Resort Hotel and Convention Center in Jaro, Iloilo City.

This 3-day event was in partnership with the UAP Committee on Architectural Heritage Conservation (UAP-CAHC) and UAP Iloilo Chapter as the host chapter.

With the increasing demand for knowledgeable and competent Cultural Heritage Conservationists in the field of Architecture due to the growing need to preserve and document existing examples of Philippine Heritage Architecture, Arch. Patrick N. Rodriguez, chair of UAP-CYA and Arch. Jayson Portem, chair of UAP-CAHC decided to collaborate in creating a seminar-workshop that will feature solely on architectural heritage conservation and to be offered in several legs and in various locations.

Heritage 101 for Young Architects featured nine (9) of the notable and recognized professionals in the field of heritage conservation and was attended by a total of 199 participants from 38 different UAP chapters.

Before the end of this 3-day seminar-workshop, UAP National President Arch. Guillermo Hisanca delivered a short speech and expressed his gratitude to both the organizers and participants for the successful holding of this event.

Heritage 101 for Young Architects was a PRC accredited seminar-workshop with accreditation number 2009-001-138 with 17 Credit Units under the Category of Sustainability.
UAP Committee on Young Architects

CPD Seminar-Workshop

The UAP Committee on Young Architects (UAP-CYA) successfully conducted its Continuing Professional Development Seminar-Workshop entitled “PINTIG: A Conference on the Specializations of Architecture” last December 8-9, 2017 at The Heritage, #5 Cateduanes Street, Quezon City.

This 2-day event was in partnership with the UAP Quezon City Chapter as the host chapter. PINTIG: A Conference on the Specializations of Architecture featured nine (9) of the notable and recognized professionals in various fields of architecture and was attended by a total of 118 participants from 32 different UAP chapters.

PINTIG: A Conference on the Specializations of Architecture was a PRC accredited seminar-workshop with accreditation number 2009-001-339 with 13.5 Credit Units under the Categories of Design, Practice, Building Science and Sustainability.

United Architects of the Philippines led by its National President, Architect Eligio I. Delos Santos, attended the recently concluded 2nd Philippine Construction Congress at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC).

Organized by the Construction Industry Authority of the Philippines (CIAP), an attached agency of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), and in partnership with the Philippine Contractors Association (PCA), the annual event was held to formulate the overall strategic direction of the country’s construction industry.

For this year, the event outlined the Philippine Construction Industry Roadmap for 2017-2022, in accordance with the government’s Philippine Development Plan 2017-2022, Ambisyon Natin 2040, anchored on the Php 8.4-trillion worth of infrastructure projects under the Duterte administration’s “Build, Build, Build” program.

The presentation of the roadmap’s conceptual framework sparked discussions and exchange of ideas among the country’s nation-builders and engaged leaders and decision-makers of various infrastructure-related private sector organizations, government offices, together with financial and academic institutions, foreign embassies, and business support organizations (BSOs).

In his keynote speech, President Rodrigo Duterte offered strong support to the Philippine construction industry and urged local contractors to join the government in building massive infrastructure projects under the “Build, Build, Build” program, creating more opportunities leading to Jobs, Jobs, Jobs through Trabaho at Negosyo, or jobs and business opportunities for Filipinos.

Meanwhile, DTI Secretary Ramon Lopez reported to the President the strong commitment of the construction industry to help the government in its efforts for the reconstruction of the Marawi City. Secretary Lopez also mentioned the support of the Philippine Contractors Association (PCA) for the Volunteers Against Crime and Corruption (VACC) by donating Php 1 million to the anticrime organization.
The Committee on Private Practice under the Commission of Professional Practice successfully held its first leg run of CPD seminars entitled “LEAP OF FATH: JUMPSTARTING A SMALL PRIVATE PRACTICE FOR YOUNG ARCHITECTS”.

The first leg series were held in Bohol (hosted by UAP Bohol Chapter), Quezon City (hosted by UAP QC South Triangle Chapter) and Baguio City (hosted by UAP Baguio Chapter).

The seminar authored by UAP Lipa Charter President, Arch. Mary Janessie Tumambing was endorsed by the Professional Regulatory Board of Architecture (PRBOA).

Headed by Arch. Cesar Ajjama (Executive Director for the Commission on Professional Practice) and Arch. Cecil Cayman-Gamana (Chairperson of the Committee on Private Practice), the second leg was held on February 10, 2018 in Lipa City hosted by UAP Lipa Chapter.

Davies Paints Philippines is set to repaint the UAP National Headquarters Building which will offer new corporate look. This partnership project was initiated by the Office of the UAP National President and the Committee on Ways and Means headed by Arch. Dante T. Aguirre.

Likewise, the main lobby area of the UAP Building will be underwent renovation, improve accessibility of the entrance lobby and parking spaces, and a new landscape design that will be added value to the aesthetic improvement of the building and make it more pleasant space and fitting to be truly called, a Home of all Filipino Architects.
The Office of the Secretary General announced last June 29, 2017 the launch of a newly revamped UAP website. According to UAP Secretary General, Arch. Renato A. Heray, the redevelopment of their 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 applies 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.

UAP.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.

According to the Architect Heray, 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 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 UAP's mission to serve as the catalyst of dynamism and unity among Filipino Architects, promoting the highest ethical conduct, discipline, responsibility and values beneficial to man and society, culture and the environment in the delivery of its professional mandate for local and global practice. The new website went live on July 1, 2017, the start of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and is located at the same address: http://www.united-architects.org.
Five New UAP Chapters Chartered

UAP Sinlanyan Dabaw Chapter

UAP Angeles City-Alava Chapter

UAP Batangas Lakeshore Chapter

UAP Camarines AB Bantayog Chapter

UAP Guam USA Chapter

DTI-CIAP Outstanding Accredited Professional Organization Award

The UAP has gone leaps and bounds, succeeded and obviously noticed that for the sixth time, was again awarded the PRC’s Most Outstanding Professional Organization of the Year; the only organization who was able to achieve the feat.

Once more, in just a few months ago, the Construction Industry Authority of the Philippines (CIAP) in cooperation with Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) and the Philippine Contractors Association, the UAP has been awarded the very first Outstanding Accredited Professional Organization by the DTI-CIAP during the 2nd Philippine Construction Congress held on 28 November 2017 at the Philippine International Convention Center among other reputable professional organizations.

The DTI-CIAP conferred this first time award to our Organization recognizing our significant contributions to the Philippine Construction Industry and in nation building over the years as an Accredited Professional Organization (APO).
UAP Membership Growth

Total Members in Good Standing

- Fiscal Year 2015-2016: 15779
- Fiscal Year 2016-2017: 17898
- Fiscal Year 2017-2018: 18833

Total Members in Good Standing by AREA

- Area A: 8306
- Area B: 6582
- Area C: 2489
- Area D: 1246

Total Members in Good Standing
(Local and International) Fiscal Year 2017-2018

- Local: 17202
- International: 1631
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National Board of Directors FY 17-18 Meeting No. 1
29 June 2017, Thursday
UAP National Headquarters, Quezon City

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 1: Designation of a new set of signatories for all UAP Bank accounts effective July 1, 2017.
Principal signatories:
1. GUILLERMO H. HISANCHA
   National President
2. PAMELA N. AMADOR
   National Treasurer
3. BENJAMIN K. PANGANIBAN, JR.
   National Executive Vice President
   (alternate to the National President)

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 2: Approval for the adoption of the Internal Rules of Procedure of the United Architects of the Philippines-National Board of Directors otherwise known as the “UAP-NBD House Rules”.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 3: Approval of the Corporate Theme, Plans, Policies and Programs formulated by the Administration for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018, and referral to various Commissions/Committees for study report and recommendation.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 4: Confirmation of the appointments for the Executive Directors for the UAP Commissions, Chairman of the Standing Committees, Chairman of UAP Special/Adhoc Committees and Official Representatives of the UAP.


Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 6: Approval of the hiring and/or appointment of the following UAP External Consultants in reference to Article XI, Section 2 of the UAP 2009 By-Laws:
a. UAP Legal Counsel for FY 2017-2018
b. UAP External Auditor for FY 2017-2018 (Ms. Josie Layson)
c. UAP Internal Auditor for FY 2017-2018 (Ms. Betty Ignacio)
Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 7: Approval to provide insurance coverage to the following members:
1. National Board of Directors
2. Executive Directors of all UAP Commissions
3. UAP National Secretariat

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 8: Approval for the adoption of the unfinished business of the previous administration (Fiscal Year 2015-2016) as continuing business of the incoming administration (2016-2017), and referral to various Commissions/Committees for study report and recommendation.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 9: Approval of the scheduled dates for the following UAP National Activities:
1. Joint Area Assembly – October 21-22, 2017
2. 44th UAP National Convention–April 10-12, 2017
3. UAP CONEX 2018 –April 11-12, 2017

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 10: Approval of the reconfirmation of Board Resolution 15-16 No. 1-12: Approval of the endorsement of the United Architects of the Philippines for Francisco T. Mañosa as UAP official nominee for the “National Artist Award”.
Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 11: Approval of the National Board of Directors approves the Joint Area Assembly logo, theme, registration fees, and program of activities, scheduled dates and venue.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 12: Approval of the National Architecture Week logo, theme and rationale and scheduled dates.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 13: Approval of the World Architecture Day date, theme and program of activities.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 14: Approval of the “UAP Tanim+58: Road to 100 Years” Project and that the next administrations commit with the nationwide tree planting event to the next 58 years – the road towards UAP’s centennial year.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 15: Approval of the issuance of an endorsement letter from the UAP through the Office of the National President for Ar. Stephanie Gilles to participate in the upcoming Pontifica Universita Dells Santa Croce Conference tp present Paper on Liturgical Architecture on October 19-20, 2017 in Rome. The endorsement letter will serve as a requirement to avail a travel grant from the NCCA.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 16: Approval of the release of the 1st tranche of the College of Fellows budget for FY 2017-2018 in the amount of Php250,000.00.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 17: Approval of the creation of a UAP Committee on Liturgical Architecture and Sacred Spaces (UAP CLASS), a special committee under the Office of the National President.
Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 18: Approval of the composition of the UAP Committee on Liturgical Architecture and Sacred Spaces (UAP CLASS), as follows:
Chairman: Marie Stephanie Magdalena N. Gilles
Vice Chairman: Aurora B. Panopio
Members: Mary Rejelyn Javier-Busmante
Roy John De Guzman

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 19: Approval of the two of the three requests of the Chancellor of the College of Fellows, to wit:
a. COF Proposed Budget for FY 2017-2018;
b. Taking an outside IT support group to upgrade, maintain and manage the COF Website and Facebook Page separate from the Facebook Admin and Editorial Board for both which is comprised of the COF Offices Co-Chaired by the Chancellor and the Scribe.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 20: Approval of the budget in the amount of PhP183,000.00 for the preparation of the Video production of the profile of Ar. Francisco Mañosa as UAP official nominee for the “National Artist Award for Architecture”.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 21: Approval for UAP to avail the SSI Certificate, a security infrastructure for the UAP Corporate Website as proposed by Socialconz Digital Inc.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 22: Acceptance of the Organizational Chart of the UAP National Organization Office as endorsed by the Management Committee.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 23: Approval of the two Official UAP Delegates to the 2017 UIA World Architects Congress on September 3-10, 2017 in Seoul, Korea and for the National to shoulder their travel expenses, namely:
1. NP Guillermo H. Hisancha
2. NEVP Benjamin K. Panganiban Jr.
Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 24: Approval of the Memorandum of Agreement among the United Architects of the Philippines, Cooperative and Relief Everywhere (CARE) Philippines and the Assistance and Cooperation for Community Resilience and Development Inc. (ACCORD).

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 25: Approval of hiring of a new Corporate Lawyer from PJS Law Firm represented by Atty. Pearl Grace G. Caball with regards to all corporate and general matters of the UAP.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 26: Approval of the continuing engagement with Poblador Bautista Reyes Law Office for the existing intervention case in the Supreme Court filed by the Civil Engineers against DPWH/UAP (GR 205846)

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 27: Approval of the submission of accomplishment and activity reports for Area Vice Presidents, District Directors and Chairs of Standing and Special Committees.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 28: Approval of the participation of UAP at the Architectural Expo (ARCH Xpo) in Singapore on October 5, 6, 7, 2017 highlighting the CONEX 2018 materials, in conjunction with the Induction Ceremonies of the new set of officers of UAP Singapore Chapter to be attended by the National President and the National Executive Vice President.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 29: Approval of the Proposed CPD Seminars and the seed money of PhP50,000.00 for the operational costs as presented by the Committee on Professional Development.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 30: Approval of the seed money of PhP40,000.00 for the UAP Journal.
Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 31: Approval of the Operating Policy on Conducting the Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 32: Approval of the nominees to be recommended by the Office of the National President to the Design Advisory Council, a government-private sector policy advisory which was created to assist the Design Center of the Philippines pursuant to R.A 10557.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 33: Approval of the new Work Schedule for the UAP National Secretariat to have Tuesdays to Saturdays as regular working days and skeletal working days on Mondays.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 34: Approval to convert the 3rd floor of the UAP National Headquarters into the Professional Development Center as a venue for UAP CPD Seminars to be conducted every month under the auspices of the Professional Development Commission.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 35: Approval that the communication from IPP RC Rosal be referred to the UAP Legal Counsel for study, review and recommendations.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 36: Approval of the Collaborative Partnership between the United Architects of the Philippines and the Anti-Trafficking of OFWs Movement (ATOM).

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 37: Approval of the formation of the UAP Batangas Lakeshore Chapter.
UNited Architects of the Philippines
National Board of Directors FY 17-18 Meeting No. 3
19 October 2017, Thursday
Plaza del Norte Hotel & Convention Center, Laoag City, Ilocos Norte

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 38: Approval for inclusion as addendum to the Agenda the Approval of the Formation of the UAP Camanava AB Bantayog Chapter.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 39: Approval of the 44th UAP National Convention Theme.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 40: Approval of the 44th UAP National Convention Logo.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 41: Approval of the 44th UAP National Convention inclusive dates and venue.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 42: Approval of the appointment of Ar. Ramon L. Abiera as UAP official representative to the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) who will assist the COMELEC during the procurement proceedings and guide the COMELEC in choosing the most preferred design for its buildings.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 43: Approval of the partial release in the amount of PHP200,000.00 from the Joint Area Assembly 2017 approved budget for the mobilization of the event.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 44: Approval of “SA ARKITEKTONG PILIPINO, PANALO” as the Marketing Theme for CONEX 2018.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 45: Approval for the reservation of one table good for 10 pax for the attendance of the Executive Committee members at the 6th Philippine Professional Summit on October 25-26, 2017 at the Manila Hotel and likewise to invite all UAP chapters to participate but on their personal accounts.
Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 46: Approval for the attendance of the National President and the Executive Vice President as the two UAP Official Delegates to the ARCASIA Council Meeting hosted by the Indian Institute of Architects (IIA) on November 3-4, 2017 at Katmandu, Nepal.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 47: Approval of the Endorsement of the following UAP Members to serve as ARCASIA Deputy Chairs for the different ARCASIA Committees for a period of two (2) consecutive years.
   a. Cesar G. Aljama
      Committee on Professional Practice
   b. Wilfredo G. Gacutan
      Committee on Education
   c. Rene Richie A. Corcuera
      Committee on Social Responsibility
   d. Michaela Rosette M. Santos
      Committee on Green and Sustainable Architecture
   e. Patrick N. Rodriguez
      Committee on Young Architects

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 48: Approval of the formation of the UAP-Asia Pacific Council (APC).

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 49: Approval of conducting the Performance Rating for the UAP Secretariat.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 50: Approval of the regularization of the employment of the following personnel:

1. Ms. Evelyn Q. Parayaoan (hired last November 2014 as CONEX telemarketing and subsequently tasked to serve as Coordinator for Commissions and Committees as per the approved organizational structure of the National Secretariat)

2. Ms. Jinky B. Ramos (hired last November 2014 as CONEX telemarketing and subsequently tasked to serve as Coordinator for Commissions and Committees as per the approved organizational structure of the National Secretariat)
Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 51: Approval of the hiring/status of the following personnel:
1. Ms. Amalia R. Balderama – contract/project based for the period July 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 (currently serving as Coordinator of the College of Fellows and the National Board of Directors)
2. Mr. Christopher L. Villa – contract/project based for the period September 14, 2017 to March 31, 2018 to serve as Database Encoder.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 52: Approval to name the UAP Library as the “Arch. Norberto M. Nuke Learning Center” in honor to the Charter President of the United Architects of the Philippines.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 53: Approval of the endorsements of Ar. Francisco V. Alicant and Ar. Erlinda Tan Hui Giok for the conferment as Member Emeritus.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 54: Approval of the issuance of a Resolution requesting the National and Local Officials for the full implementation of RA9266.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 55: Approval of the issuance of a Resolution of thanks and appreciation to all LGU officials who have already supported the implementation of RA9266 in their respective localities.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 56: Approval of the Financial Policy concerning allowances of official representatives at international events.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 57: Approval for the release of the full payment of the honorarium to the professional writer amounting to PhP60,000.00 for the UAP History Book 2001-2015 after the final review of the Executive Committee.
Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 58:
Approval in principle of the formation of UAP Camanava AB Bantayog Chapter subject to payment of their chapter arrear dues.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 59:
Approval of the Manual on Chapter Organizations and publication of Manual on Methods of Compensation and Fees.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 60:
Acceptance of the explanation of Past National President regarding the CONEX 2012 controversy in accordance with the collective decision of the Past National Presidents and hereby decides that the controversy is finally laid to rest.

WHEREAS, The National Board, during their meeting in August 12, 2017, Saturday, at the UAP National Headquarters decided to refer the CONEX 2012 PhP1 million controversy to the Council of Elders composed of UAP Past National Presidents for possible review and recommendations;

WHEREAS, The UAP Past Presidents, during its meeting held on September 15, 2017, discussed, decided and agreed upon to recommend that PNP Ramon Mendoza make a Statement declaring full responsibility and expressing all the facts supported by documents, further, expressing an apology to PNP Rozanno Rosal of the unfortunate consequences as a result of what was done;

WHEREAS, Past National President personally appeared to the National of Directors in the afternoon of October 18, 2017 in compliance with the collective decision of the of the Past Presidents explaining his position and presenting important documents regarding the matter.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the National Board of Directors has accepted the explanation of Past National President Ramon S. Mendoza in accordance with the collective decision of the UAP Past National Presidents and thereby decides that the CONEX 2012 PhP1 million Controversy is finally laid to rest.
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National Board of Directors FY 17-18 Meeting No. 4
9 December 2017, Saturday
Sulyap Resort, San Pablo, Laguna

**Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 61:** Approval of the 44th National Convention Registration Fee at PhP6,000.00 for NCR and PhP5,500.00 for provincial architects and 20% discount will be given to all the members of the National Board of Directors, the College of Fellows and the members of the National Convention Organizing Committee.

**Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 62:** Approval of the amendments to the Board Resolution No. 17-18 N. 31 re: Operating Policy on conducting the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) removing the 50/50 sharing of UAP National from the District/Chapter net proceeds.

**Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 63:** Approval of the “SA ARKITEKTONG PILIPINO, PANALO” as the Marketing Theme for CONEX 2018.

**Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 64:** Approval of the request of ARCASIA Committee on Green and Sustainable Architecture ((ACGSA) through Ar. Michaela Rosette M. Santos to hold a roundtable discussion in the Philippines which will be held in March 2018.

**Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 65:** Approval of the endorsement of Ar. Roster E. Embalsado for the conferment as Member Emeritus

**Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 66:** Acceptance and approval of the District recommendations to constitute the Committee on Nominations for the UAP Annual National Elections.
Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 67: Acceptance and approval of the District recommendations to constitute the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) for the UAP Annual National Elections.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 68: Approval of the endorsement of VPA JD Avila as UAP Representative to the Philippine Sports Commission’s Technical Working Committee for PSC Baguio Training Camp and DD A-3 RR Yumang for Velodrome in Quezon City.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 69: Approval of the UAP communication prepared by the UAP legal counsel addressed to PNP RC Rosal and, further, that the said communication be forwarded to PNP RC Rosal with a covering letter.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 70: Approval for the preparation of the requirements for the renewal of the UAP IAPOA accreditation which will expire on March 16, 2018.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 71: Approval to give a Posthumous Award, in the form of a plaque family of the late PHP Richeto C. Alcando.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 72: Approval of the passage of a Resolution expressing sympathy and condolences to the family of Ar. Maria Antonia Lizeta Uy, former Vice President for Area C.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 73: Approval of the Christmas bonus of the UAP Secretariat staff based on a seven year average of the bonus since the term of PNP Ramon Mendoza up to the present as computed by the Finance Department and, further, that next year’s giving of the Christmas bonus will be based on their performance evaluation.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 74: Approval to investigate the CONEX 2012 PhP1 Million controversy.

Board Resolution 17-18 NO. 75: Approval of the extension of the group insurance to the officers of the College of Fellows and the Past National Presidents.
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