

13.1 Class Meeting Minutes
4th August 2004
TSY - Finance Conference Room

Present :

- Litara, Moe, Vinepa, Zebby, Louisa

Apologies - Amp, Elei, Violet, Nella, Lapu.

Moe as the 'pae ma le auli' that she is welcomed and acknowledged the beautiful ladies who made the effort to attend despite our stressful workload . This was an urgent meeting Moe called as there were a few misunderstandings that needed to be ironed out before she leaves for 2/3 months duty travel.

Issues Discussed:

1. **Financial Statement**

- For everyone's information, Litara has been emailing our class financial statement to all **(if your email address is not with Litara, than sorry people)** therefore, update on the balance in the bank book was circulated.
- Update of the 'tala faaletupe' was given out at the last meeting held at the Tiafau Fale /Millennia Hotel.

2. **Allocation of Money spent on Faalavelave(s) - Talaaga of decision made:**

2.1 Class meeting held at the Lighthouse (urgent meeting to discuss options of a fesoasoani for Nella's faalavelave). Amp, Moe, Vinepa, Litara & Louisa (apologies from Lapu whose request was put forward through Louisa) attended.

- Resolutions from this meeting:
 - Use class fund
 - \$300.00 for the teutusi
 - \$50.00 for a bouquet
 - Whoever is available to attend the family service, that evening otherwise will all meet at the 'falelauasiga'- Tanugamanono Church.
 - Kim Keil contributed a 'fesoasoani' of \$20.00 which was used to faaatoa the teu.
 - Any other 'oti (s)' will contribute the same amount, however amounts will be negotiable.
- Louisa apologized for the lapse in recording of the minutes on this day (I truly didn't know I'm the Acting SEC.. so sorry folks!!)

3. **Unutoa's queries regarding the use of 13.1 funds**

- Moe noted Unutoa's questions as a financial member she had the right to ask, but thought Unutoa's approach was quite a personal attack.
- Zebby 'faaleo le agaga' of Unutoa's concern and said that this matter has been settled. Ua malamalama foi le mataupu as obviously it was a miscommunication

between our part and Unutoa. Zebby was concerned with 'tele le tupe faaalu ae le lava se tatou savings' and the need to decide poo le a le mea e tatau ona fai.

- Louisa acknowledged all the points raised and said she read with 'interest' the healthy email exchange that had occurred while she was away. If the matter has been settled than good, but she only wanted to clarify for the records 'le mafuaaga' of some of the decisions made with the use of the class funds mo le toe faapulaina o le mataupu.
- The decisions made to whether to use the class funds for the deaths of our loved ones and the amounts given out was a consensual decision that was decided on nothing but in 'good faith'. With the faamoemoega that we can and will make up outgoing cash with our fundraising activities. Whether there will be another death was not the point, but mea sili o lae ave se tatou collective fesosoani with our blessings to our dear friends. (**who would have thought I was going to be the next faalavelave**).
- Louisa emphasized the need for everyone whether you are present at the meeting or not to respect the decisions made (at the time).
- For every class meeting, everyone (within Litara's reach) is consulted and Litara should be commended on her efforts with the faamaopoopoga, as its never an easy task to try and coordinate an urgent meeting .
- No meeting was ever held without the proper numbers to make up the quorum. For every meeting, there's always about 4 or 5 people that turn up and with the noted apologies, a quorum is always formed. The members that physically turn up are more than suitable to decide on the matter.
- The beauty with our class committee there is always the element of **flexibility** and Louisa firmly pointed out that if people want to revisit past decisions than ... (1) **acknowledge** the 'taumafaiga na fau ai le tonu' than (2) we **negotiate** to find a way forward.

4. Inclusion of non 13.1 members

- There was no resolution made on this issue. Therefore suggestions on a way forward are welcomed.

5. Forward Looking Suggestions:

5.1 Zebby: At the first class meeting (Amp's office, **lea na alu atu ai foi Elei ua uma le fonu**) the reason for the teuga tupe was to save up for the reunion only. She was not aware of any decisions to use the class funds for any other 'activity' apart from the reunion.

Suggestions:

- (i) E manaia le aua le toe faaogaina le tatou savings for any more faalavelave aua e le uma ai faalavelave.
- (ii) We all pitch in and the min amount is \$200.00 (supported by Vinepa)
- (iii) Those who cannot pitch in (\$20pp) can aitalafu from the bank book but have to pay ASAP.
- (iv) Never make any final decisions on any class matter until everyone has been consulted. Give only 2 weeks for feedback, and if no one responds by the given timeframe. (**than pls people no taumuimui!!**.)
- (v) Only contribute to funerals ao isi uma mea alu lava le tagata e fai lana faalavelave
- (vi) If we get something from funerals we should sell these and deposit the cash into our bank account
- (vii) Should spend \$50 from our bank account to pay for class meeting savories etc.

5.2 Moe – There is no difference with ‘saosao’ and using our collective tupe from the bank book. We are still the ones to pitch in and or generate our savings. Given the reality of our ‘lalolagi’ and the past faalavelaves, e leai ma se faalavelave e lei faafuasei. There was not enough time to wait for everyone’s feedback, we had to make decisions on the spot. Which will happen again.

Suggestions:

- (i) faataua pea le maliu (immediate family)
- (ii) Use money from the bank account
- (iii) Give \$300.00 fesoasoani and a teufuagalaau
- (iv) Toaaga e fai a tatou fundraising activities
- (v) P eave se tupe pe leai ae nao le card, e fiafia ma olioli o la eave se mea. As it’s the thought that counts.

5.3 Louisa & Litara

Suggestions:

- (1) Use money from bank book as e le lava le taimi to collect and even trying to faamaopoopo everyone and everything is difficult.
- (2) \$200 min is the amount e ave.

6. 13.1 Success Stories

Lapu and her baby Teresia are in the best of health. Welcome to parenthood Taulapuitaua!

6. Meeting Closed

Soifua ma ia Manuia

Louisa Apelu

Acting Secretary for 13.1