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62nd General Assembly



The Association of Special Libraries of the Philippines celebrated its 62nd anniversary last January 14, 2016. The anniversary celebration also served as the General Assembly of its members and became a reunion of former ASLP presidents. It was held at the Supreme Court of the Philippines Library. It has been the tradition of the ASLP to have the General Assembly where the incoming President is currently working or connected.

2016 EXECUTIVE BOARD

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62nd General Assembly

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The General Assembly started with a welcome remarks from the Director of Supreme Court of the Philippines Library and an Adviser of ASLP, Ms. Milagros Santos-Ong. This was followed by the induction ceremony of the 2016 Executive Board. The newly elected officers were formally appointed and their new responsibilities were also formally accepted. Hon. Francis H. Jardeleza, Associate Justice of the Supreme



Court of the Philippines, was the inducting officer. Acceptance speech from the 2016 ASLP President was given. Then, the 2015 President's and 2015 Treasurer's reports were presented. The celebration ended with the presentation of service award to Ms. Luisa Madlangbayan, 2015 Ex-Officio, and plaques of appreciation to the members of the 2015 Executive Board.

2015 ASLP President's Report

Esteemed guests, ASLP Past Presidents, ASLP officers, members, colleagues, friends, ladies and gentlemen, good morning. I am here today to present to you the activities of ASLP for the past year.

We had two successful book drives and we have delivered some of them to different institutions who sent their re-

quests. These book drives were conducted at the UP NCPAG, where we also had a forum on library safety and at the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, where we learned how we manage our finances. A forum on digital forensics was well attended at the Department of Budget and Management. The parallel session on massive open online courses held at the PLAI Annual Conference in Ilocos was well-received and attended.

I was also able to represent ASLP in the 2015 Special Libraries Association Conference in Boston, and interacted with some of our colleagues.

In May, we had a fun-filled conference in Bacolod on managing modern libraries as we touched on leadership and sustainability using current technology and innovation.

In November, a seminar-workshop on current technological applications that we can use for our libraries were introduced and discussed in Tagaytay.

None of these activities will not be possible, without the whole group of 2015 ASLP Officers. Starting with Edelle, who tirelessly made sure our forums, conference and seminar-workshop ran smoothly and our plaques ready. I am confident and happy that she will take over the reins. Myzel, ever zealous, as she tackled her



tasks successfully. Ms. Mercy, who held the purse, amidst all the challenges in her personal life, she successfully held on and made sure all is accounted for. Brian, with all his wonderful insights and ideas, but made sure we are entertained. Justin, who made sure we have our social media presence and announcements.

Our board of directors, our demure and lovely Tess Casio, who assisted Ms. Mercy and is ever present at the registration table with Tess Cabance, who also worked as hard and never ceases to extend whatever is needed; Randolph, who never tired of sharing his expertise and ideas of fun; Rosally, who we only got on board half the year, has proved herself an asset to the group; Eugene, who left us for greener pasture, but not before leaving us with his contributions and support. And last but not least, my wonderful advisers, Mama Mila, Tita Cora and Tita Jolad, who were there to guide me in the right direction, this includes our ex-officio, Luie, who selflessly shared her experiences in the past year and continued support.

Let us please give a wonderful round of applause for these hardworking men and women, who I am so grateful to spend my time planning and executing ideas that I hope have benefitted ASLP in the past year.

This is the best opportunity for me to thank our members, participants, colleagues and friends who contributed and shared the experiences we had in the past year. I expected a fun-filled fruitful 2015 and I was not disappointed. All these will not be possible without you.

2015 ASLP Treasurer's Report

ASSOCIATION OF SPECIAL LIBRARIES OF THE PHILIPPINES

The National Library, T.M. Kalaw St., Ermita, Manila 1000

FINANCIAL REPORT

as of December 31, 2015

Beginning Balance as of January 2015	Cash in Bank	Php	277,948.72
Add:			
INCOME			
Membership Fees	Php	20,000.00	
Seminar Fees	Php	269,950.00	
Forum Fees	Php	20,082.00	
Sponsor Fees	Php	59,700.00	
PLAI tickets	Php	2,000.00	
Interest in Bank	Php	539.53	
TOTAL INCOME			372,271.53
Less:			
EXPENSES			
Hotel Accommodation	Php	274,700.00	
Food	Php	17,998.20	
Transportation	Php	22,814.24	
Representation	Php	27,600.00	
Honorarium	Php	33,000.00	
Supplies	Php	31,781.25	
Withholding Tax	Php	107.90	
BIR, SEC & Miscellaneous	Php	14,900.00	
Cash Advance for GA 2016	Php	16,956.31	
TOTAL EXPENSES			439,857.90
Ending Balance as of December 31, 2015	Cash in Bank		210,362.35
Prepared by:		Audited by:	
Sgd. MERCEDITA B. SERVIDA ASLP Treasurer		Sgd. BRIAN LLOYD DAYRIT Auditor	
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2016 ASLP President Acceptance Speech

Honorable Associate Justice Francis Jardeleza, former presidents and officers of ASLP, colleagues, friends. Good morning!

I would like to thank first the members of the ASLP for allowing me to serve you. Without your votes, I will not be in the ASLP Board. It is with great honour and pride to be included in the roster of ASLP Presidents.

Thank you to the ASLP 2015 executive board for entrusting me this position.

When I was elected to be the vice president last 2015, I was hesitant then, because the first thing that came into my mind was, I will automatically be the next president. I am scared to accept the position because I don't see myself as a leader. I confessed that I am a good follower but as a leader? A big question mark?

“They said that leadership cannot be given it must be earned. It cannot be taken away, you lose it by lack of performance”.

I've been a member of the ASLP since 2002 but became active as one of the officers in 2009. I started as a secretary appointed by Ms. Edita Dumo, the ASLP president at that time. From then on, every year I was elected to various positions. Maybe my experiences through the year earned your trust to make me a leader and pre-



pared me for the task. And yes, maybe this is the right time...my time to lead. Let me borrow the famous lines today, ito na ang tamang panahon.

Though I still have fear, I am accepting the torch of leadership. According to John Quincy Adams ***“If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do***

more and become more, you are a leader.” I know that this will be a tough and a challenging job but I also know that I am in good hands with the support of the current ASLP Board.

To my colleagues and friends in ASLP, I humbly asked for your continuous support to the association not only by attending our forums, seminars and other activities but giving us also feedbacks and recommendations on how we can improve our services. With your help, we will continue to fulfil our mission and vision.

Let me end with a quote from Mother Teresa ***“You can do what I cannot do. I can do what you cannot do. Together we can do great things.”*** With this let's help each other to do greater things!

Again, thank you very much and Good morning!

2016 Strategic Planning

The 2016 Executive Board had their strategic planning immediately after the General Assembly last January 14, 2015 at the Supreme Court Library. The activities that will be offered in 2016 were brainstormed and deliberated.

The 2016 ASLP President presented the activities where planning activities have started in 2015. These were the Japan Benchmarking tour in cooperation with Japan Library Association and the 5th National Congress on Social Inclusion application for NCCA grant.

The 2016 ASLP President suggested to have the major seminar in Roxas City, which the Board approved. Because of the success of the forum on digital forensics last year, the Board agreed that this seminar will be related to this. The seminar in Roxas City will be from 30 March to 1 April on knowledge management.



The Board also decided to again conduct a forum during the Manila International Book Fair (MIBF) 2016, which ASLP begged off in 2015. The Board recognizes the role of librarians in creating change in the field of librarianship, aside from continuous improvement on their skills to better service their clients. Thus, the forum will be on library advocacy.

The calendar of activities shows the undertakings that the Board agreed to pursue in 2016.

Librarians, library administrators, information professionals, support staff, teachers and students of Library & Information Science, consultants and other information professionals are invited to participate in our activities. The details of the activities will be posted in our Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/#!/ASLP.librarians> and Wikispaces at <https://aslpwiki.wikispaces.com/Seminars+and+Conferences> as soon as they are finalized.

Upcoming Event



The Association of Special Libraries of the Philippines (ASLP) will hold a seminar entitled “**Digital Assets in our Midst: Positioning Information Providers in the Knowledge Management Environment**” from 30 March to 1 April 2016 at San Antonio Resort, Lawis Baybay, Roxas City. The main objective of this seminar is to deepen the understanding of information providers on the basics of knowledge management practices. It specifically aims at showcasing methods and techniques in handling digital assets from the creation up to preservation including security and privacy solutions. Moreover, the seminar will include actual application using proprietary and open source software. For more details, please see <https://aslpwiki.wikispaces.com/Seminars+and+Conferences>.

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