

**COM-FSM Student Body Association
Report to the Board of Regents
May 8, 2019, Palikir, Pohnpei**



Student Council Leadership Retreats

“Accept The Challenge”

Kosrae, Chuuk & Yap
March 20, April 8 & April 13, 2019

Student Council Leadership Retreat

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Leadership retreats were held for student leaders in Kosrae, Chuuk and Yap. These retreats were all similar in terms of their schedule, objectives and purpose. The dates for each retreat are as follows:

- Wednesday, March 20, 2019: Kosrae Campus (SBA Officers and Village Leaders)
- Monday, April 8, 2019: Chuuk Campus (SBA Officers and Regional Officers)
- Saturday, April 13, 2019: Yap Campus (SBA Officers and FSM-FMI Leaders)

The retreat schedules for each campus are included below:

Kosrae Retreat Schedule

8:30AM – 9:00AM	Introductions & Ice Breakers
9:00AM – 9:30AM	Leadership Qualities Workshop
9:30AM – 10:30AM	Expectations & Responsibilities of Leaders
10:30AM – 11:30AM	Student Organization Development
11:30AM – 1:00PM	Lunch
1:00PM – 1:30PM	Communication & Teamwork Games
1:30PM – 2:30PM	Guided Discussions on Initiative Development
2:30PM – 3:30PM	Presentations on Initiative Proposals
3:30PM – 5:00PM	BOR Meeting Prep (SBA Only)

Chuuk & Yap/FMI Retreat Schedule

8:30AM – 9:00AM	Introductions & Ice Breakers
9:00AM – 9:30AM	Leadership Qualities Workshop
9:30AM – 10:30AM	Expectations & Responsibilities of Leaders
10:30AM – 11:00AM	Professionalism Workshop
11:00AM – 12:00PM	Student Organization Development
12:00PM – 1:30PM	Lunch
1:30PM – 2:30PM	Communication & Teamwork Games
2:30PM – 3:30PM	Guided Discussions on Initiative Development
3:30PM – 4:30PM	Presentations on Initiative Proposals

PARTICIPANT LIST

Kosrae Retreat Participants

- Leeson Linus, SBA President
- Brenny Sheen Charley, SBA Vice President
- Roxane Charley, SBA Secretary
- Nelynda Taulung, SBA Treasurer
- Brence Wesley, Lelu Village President
- Kun Sigrah Jr., Lelu Village Vice President
- Dulaelah Alokoa, Lelu Village Secretary
- Tolenna George, Malem Village President
- Joshua Phillip, Malem Village Vice President
- Benur Lonno, Malem Village Secretary
- Teroa Tolenoa, Tafunsak Village President
- Stella Skilling, Tafunsak Village Representative
- Kevin Moran, Utwe Village President
- Shawnzee Waguk, Utwe Village Vice President
- Elise Edward, Utwe Village Secretary

Chuuk Retreat Participants

- JT Nonumwar, SBA President
- Lilly Koichiro, SBA Secretary
- Rini Houmeang, SBA Treasurer
- Anchelica Kom, Faichuuk Region Secretary
- Daryl Irons, Faichuuk Region Treasurer
- Berson Robert, Mortlocks Region Secretary
- Yolanda Marar, Mortlocks Region Treasurer
- Asae Daniel, Northern Region Secretary
- Valeria Edwin, Northern Region Treasurer
- Melsa Raigemai, Northwest Region Secretary
- Mariza Yongoran, Northwest Region Treasurer
- Jsalynd Mitasi, Southern Region Treasurer

Yap Retreat Participants

- Jaylino Lalotog, SBA President
- Kylee L'awwereg, SBA Secretary
- Domencia Shoumal, SBA Treasurer
- Miranda Pugurwag, Yap Campus Student Leader
- Johnny Edwin, FMI Student Leader
- Tinot Mark, FMI Student Leader
- Kurt Moses, FMI Student Leader
- Willytan Sas, FMI Student Leader
- JKZPL Zarred, FMI Student Leader

*Please note that all of the student officers from FSM-FMI were participating in a shipboard training at this time and, therefore, were not able to attend the retreat at Yap Campus.

OVERVIEW

These leadership retreats were aimed at providing student leaders with the opportunity to further develop their leadership skills, explore their responsibilities as student leaders, and identify initiatives and goals that they would like to help implement. Activities included discussions and workshops on teamwork, communication, professionalism, as well as the role of student leaders. A main section of each retreat was dedicated to group work, during which time students had the opportunity to establish priorities and identify initiatives they would like to focus on. Following presentations provided by each group, all students had the opportunity to vote on those initiatives that they deemed to be the most important. Listed below are the top priorities as identified by students at each of the retreats:

KOSRAE CAMPUS

1. To expand sports and recreation offerings through the development of activities and increased access to facilities, such as a sports complex.
2. To support students extra and co-curricular learning through the development of student organizations and an increase in student activity offerings.
3. To support students' educational endeavors and graduation pathways through an increase in regular course offerings for existing academic programs and requirements.

CHUUK CAMPUS

1. To expand sports and recreation offerings through the development of activities and increased access to facilities, such as a sports complex.
2. To support students' educational endeavors through an increase in course offerings and expansion of academic programs.
3. To support and improve student attendance by identifying strategies and increasing resources to alleviate transportation barriers.

YAP CAMPUS

1. To support students' educational endeavors through an increase in course offerings and expansion of academic programs.
2. To expand technological resources available in the classroom to increase support for student learning.
3. To expand sports and recreation offerings through the development of activities and increased access to facilities, such as a sports complex.

FSM-FMI

1. To support students' academic endeavors through the expansion of practical field experience, specifically as it relates to opportunities to practice and learn skills at sea.
2. To increase resources and supplies to support students as they fulfill their responsibilities in maintaining their living quarters.
3. To support students' educational endeavors by expanding academic supports outside of the classroom.

Moving forward, the SBA officers, in conjunction with Student Council, will be working to develop specific goals and actions plans, which will be presented through Student Life to the appropriate offices. It is the students' hope that some of these initiatives will come to fruition through the collaborative efforts of students, faculty and staff.

STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

- This retreat was beneficial to my success as a leader. – FMI
- I want this retreat to be continued, to happen in future semesters. - Yap
- This retreat was enlightening; I'm glad and grateful for this opportunity. – Kosrae
- It really helped me to know more about being a leader and what leaders must do to help each other or their groups. – Kosrae
- This event was truly good, fun and beneficial. I really enjoyed spending time together with the other leaders. I think that the next retreat should be longer, so that the leaders can really understand their positions and duties. – Chuuk
- This retreat was a better opportunity to learn more about the roles of my position and to collaborate with other officers. I enjoyed this retreat and learned a lot. I think it will be better, if there are also other retreats held in future semesters. - Chuuk

On a scale of 1-10, with 10 representing the highest approval rating, the retreat at Kosrae Campus received an overall score of **9.8**; for Chuuk Campus the retreat received an overall score of **9.9**; for Yap Campus and FSM-FMI the retreat received an overall score of **10**. Collectively, the retreat received an overall score of **9.9**.

