



**WIKIMEDIA  
PHILIPPINES**

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# FOREWORD

*Mabuhay!*

Finally, after nearly three years of hard work, determination, resolve and persistence, we have finally established a Philippine Wikimedia chapter! Throughout all the discussion, we have always believed that a Wikimedia chapter could come at any time, if only we sought to work hard at it. At times our patience was tested, and at times we were tempted to give up and fail, but stuck it through, and today, we finally have a chapter to call our own.

But what exactly lies ahead for us? Perhaps we will never really know what the world is that lies beyond our own, but at least we're making a concerted effort to try. We have, in a sense, only begun to embark on our journey together, as friends, as colleagues, as Wikimedians.


And yet, we have only touched the tip of the iceberg.

Wikimedia Philippines is young, but we know that the hard work that lies ahead of us will bring new challenges which we should be willing to face head-on. In the first year of our existence, we have made ourselves known to the world, bringing a human face to the projects which Filipinos love to rely on as a source of information, and making it more human in turn. We have made inroads into networking with other organizations, ramping up our own organizational capabilities, and made do with what we have in order to move forward. But we know we can do better, and it is in this spirit of excellence that we have been brought together, hoping for all the best.

Three years ago, the idea of even having a chapter was all but a dream. But today, we have made it a reality, and I want to extend my sincere gratitude to all the people who have not only made this organization possible, but also those who made this organization what it is today.

It is my great honor and privilege to serve Wikimedia Philippines, and I hope that what we have built upon in the last year, we can continue to build upon in the future. I hope this report serves as a cathartic experience for all of us: looking back at the past in order not only to improve our present, but to work harder to improve our future, and to realize our ultimate goal of imagining a world where every single human being can freely share in the sum of all knowledge. With full faith in what we have, I know we will succeed.

Thank you and *Sulong Wikimedia!*

  
**James Joshua G. Lim, WMPH President**

# WIKIMEDIA PHILIPPINES

*Imagine a world in which every Filipino can freely share in the sum of all human knowledge.  
Isipin mo ang isang mundo kung saan ang bawat Pilipino’y nakababahagi sa kabuuang kaalaman ng sangkatauhan.*



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**Wikimedia Philippines (WMPH)** is a non-stock, non-profit organization that serves as the local chapter of the Wikimedia Foundation in the Philippines as well as the Filipino communities abroad. The Wikimedia Foundation is a non-profit organization based in San Francisco, CA in the United States.

The Wikimedia Foundation is the organization behind Wikipedia, the Free Encyclopedia, which is a collaborative work of volunteers. And among these volunteers was the group of Filipino Wikipedians who sought to improve Wikipedia’s content especially about everything *Pinoy*.

Nearly three years after it was first conceived, Wikimedia Philippines was officially recognized as the 27th Wikimedia chapter by the Wikimedia Foundation on March 13, 2010, becoming the fourth Wikimedia chapter in Asia.

With just contributions for its capital start-up, Wikimedia Philippines was incorporated with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a non-stock, non-profit corporation on April 12, 2010, almost a month after obtaining recognition. Its initial seven-man Board of Trustees was composed of Roel Balingit, Jojit Ballesteros, Pao Barazon, Lee Bautista, Butch Bustria, Josh Lim and Eugene Villar. Remi de Leon and Mike Gonzalez were the other two founding members.



WMPH is founded upon its commitment to promote the projects of the Wikimedia Foundation, through their use in the country as free, open-content reference tools and educational materials made available to every Filipino by means of computers with internet connection. Similarly, it also aims to promote the use of native Philippine languages in educational and reference materials and in aiding the defense, promotion and facilitation of the creation of free content in the Philippines.

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# MEMBERSHIP

**Wikimedia Philippines** was founded by nine Filipino Wikipedians—Roel Balingit (User:Scorpion prinz), Jojit Ballesteros (User:Jojit fb), Pao Barazon (User:Titopao), Lee Bautista (User:Cloudhand), Butch Bustria (User:Exec8), Remi de Leon (User:Alternativity), Mike Gonzalez (User:TheCoffee), Josh Lim (User:SkyHarbor) and Eugene Villar (User:Seav). By the end of 2010, eleven individuals (see list below), most of whom are non-Wikipedians, joined WMPH.

A membership fee of ₱500 is annually collected from its members while a concession membership fee of ₱100 maybe availed by those who are at most 21 years old. WMPH has also provided [membership@wikimedia.org.ph](mailto:membership@wikimedia.org.ph) for any inquiries about membership.

## List of new members

*May 15*

- 010 Tony Ahn (User:Noraft)
- 011 Jo Alegre
- 012 Johnny Alegre (User:Buszmail)
- 013 Bel Ballesteros
- 014 Fabian Mangahas
- 015 Merrick Romero (User:Leeheonjin)

*Jun 19*

- 016 Juned Sonido

*Nov 27*

- 017 Cristine Gonzalez
- 018 Sionee Lago
- 019 Ferdinand Llorca
- 020 Gisela Tanabe



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# RESOLUTIONS

*May 1*

- 1 Resetting date of election of officers & designation of interim officers
- 2 Date of first annual meeting
- 3 Official depository bank
- 4 Membership fee

*May 15*

- 5 Membership approval
- 6 Ratification of election of officers for term 2010–2011

*Jun 19*

- 7 Liaison officer & duties

- 8 Referencing of resolutions
- 9 Concession membership fee
- 10 Membership approval

*Jul 4*

- 11 Official depository bank (*repealed Resolution # 3*)

*Sep 28*

- 12 Change of principal address
- 13 Authorization to enter into contract with Benchmark Consulting Network

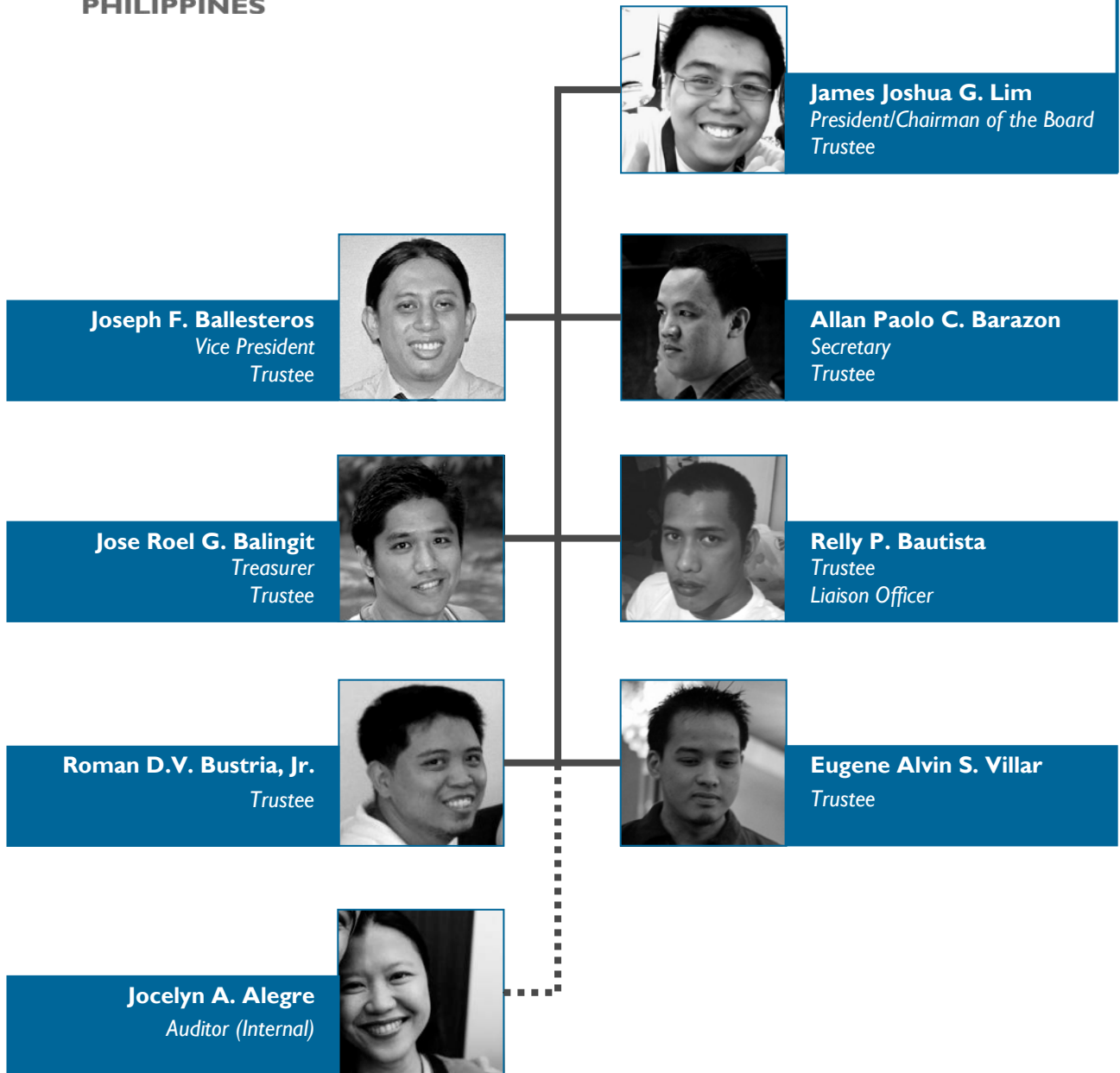
*Nov 27*

- 14 Membership approval

# ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



## BOARD OF TRUSTEES





## • The 27th Wikimedia Chapter

Wikimedia Philippines was officially recognized by the Wikimedia Foundation as the 27th Wikimedia chapter on March 13, 2010, becoming the fourth Asian chapter to obtain such recognition. It was the product of a series of *Wikipedia Meet-ups* that began on May 20, 2007 which was attended by eight Filipino Wikipedians.

Almost a month later, on April 12, 2010, Wikimedia Philippines was officially recognized under Philippine laws, after the Securities and Exchange Commission granted it its corporate existence as a non-stock, non-profit corporation.

## • Chapters Meeting

With recognition already extended to the Philippine chapter, Wikimedia Philippines participated in its first Chapters Meeting held in Berlin, Germany from April 16 to 18. Josh Lim and Pao Barazon attended the annual conference of the Wikimedia Foundation and the representatives of Wikimedia chapters.



First Manila Meet-up (2007)

Photo by Jojit Ballesteros

## • First Annual Meeting



Participants of the First Annual Meeting

Photo by Jojit Ballesteros

Just a month old, Wikimedia Philippines held its *First Annual Meeting* at the Bulwagang Manileño of the Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila in Intramuros, Manila on May 15, 2010. The meeting drew 16 participants, including all the members of the Board of Trustees.

Six attendees including three non-Wikipedians were sworn in as new members of WMPH. Elections for officers were also held at the sidelines of the meeting, which resulted to Josh Lim being elected as president, Jojit Ballesteros as vice president, Pao Barazon as secretary and Roel Balingit as Treasurer. Newly inducted member Jo Alegre was elected as auditor.

## • Wikimania 2010

WMPH President Josh Lim, together with around 500 participants from all over the world gathered in Gdansk, Poland from July 9 to 11 for *Wikimania 2010*.

## • Grand Launch at the Youth Congress in Information Technology

Wikimedia Philippines held its grand launch during the *8th Philippine Youth Congress in Information Technology* or better known as *Y4iT* at the University of the Philippines–Diliman in Quezon City from September 14 to 17.

WMPH Vice President Jojit Ballesteros presented “*Wikipedia Revolutionizes the Web*” before a jump-packed audience at the UP Film Center. The popularity of Wikipedia, especially among Filipino students drew several questions about it. Questions ranged from the accuracy of articles, understanding policies and guidelines and clarifying some preconceived notions about the collaborative project. Wikipedia souvenirs shirts were also given to participants who answered trivia questions about Wikipedia. (*Continued at page 7*)

The four-day event attracted more than 20,000 participants, mostly students from various colleges and universities all over the Philippines. Members of the academe and several IT professionals were also present. A total of 2,442 visitors who passed by WMPH's booth and signed the guestbook took with them Wikipedia souvenir pens.



Wikimedia Philippines at the Youth Congress in Information Technology

Top & bottom right photos by Jojit Ballesteros; Bottom left photo by Burch Bustria

**GMA NEWS ONLINE**  
**Wikimedia launches Philippine arm**  
 by TJ Dimacali, 09/18/2010  
[www.gmanews.tv/story/201368/wikimedia-launches-philippine-arm](http://www.gmanews.tv/story/201368/wikimedia-launches-philippine-arm)

● **TIP Roadshow**

From its participation at Y4iT, WMPH was invited to hold a symposium and exhibit at the Technological Institute of the Philippines in Manila during its *College of Information Technology Education Week*. Around 200 students were present during the symposium where they were given an insight into how Wikipedia works and how articles are written and edited among others. Wikipedia 0.5 CDs were also distributed during the symposium.



TIP Students with WMPH's Jojit Ballesteros

Photo by Jojit Ballesteros

● **11th National Convention on Statistics**

Aiming to partner with government agencies, especially its statistical arm, Wikimedia Philippines participated in the *11th National Convention on Statistics*. The convention, held on October 4 and 5 at the EDSA Shangri-la Hotel in Mandaluyong City was organized by the National Statistical Coordination Board.



NSCB Secretary General Romulo Virola, Albay Governor Joey Salceda and UP Professor emeritus Winnie Monsod at the WMPH exhibit

Photo by Burch Bustria

Passing by WMPH's exhibit booth, economist and Albay Governor Joey Salceda admitted to editing his own Wikipedia article too. Some of the 90 visitors who signed the guestbook were given Wikipedia 0.5 CDs. A research director of a university attending the convention invited WMPH to conduct a Wikipedia workshop in their university in Iloilo City to help jumpstart a Hiligaynon Wikipedia which is already in the *Wikimedia Incubator*.

● **UST Debate Forum**

WMPH Vice President Jojit Ballesteros served as a resource person about Wikipedia at the *Science Debate Forum* on December 15. The forum was organized by the College of Science Debate Society of the University of Santo Tomas in Manila.

# PHILIPPINE LANGUAGE WIKIMEDIA PROJECTS

## WIKIPEDIA

The Philippines is home to more than 170 native languages. Eight of which have their respective Wikipedia projects (see table below). Furthermore five languages—Capiznon, Hiligaynon, Kinaray-a, Rinconada Bicolano and Tausug—are in *Wikimedia Incubator* for their own Wikipedia projects.

Collectively, there are 212,158 articles in these eight Wikipedia projects at the end of 2010, compared to 94,079 articles from the previous year's end—demonstrating a 226 percent increase.



Wikipedia Projects	Dec 2009	Dec 2010
Waray-Waray (war.wikipedia.org)	10,837	100,882
Tagalog (tl.wikipedia.org)	24,091	46,978
Cebuano (ceb.wikipedia.org)	40,675	42,667
Kapampangan (pam.wikipedia.org)	7,346	7,419
Central Bicolano (bcl.wikipedia.org)	4,740	4,883
Ilokano (ilo.wikipedia.org)	2,351	3,591
Pangasinan (pag.wikipedia.org)	3,237	3,412
Chavacano-Zamboangueño (cbk-zam.wikipedia.org)	802	2,326

Source: stats.wikimedia.org/EN/Sitemap.htm

Free content textbooks



**WIKIBOOKS SA TAGALOG**  
(tl.wikibooks.org)

Free content dictionary  
a multi-lingual tree  
encyclopedia

**Wiktionary sa Tagalog**

(tl.wiktionary.org)  
[ˈwɪkʃənɾɪ] n.,  
a wiki-based Open  
Content dictionary

Wileon [ˈwɪlɔ̃ kɑ̃ɾɪ]



Philippine language Wikimedia projects in the Incubator



**WIKINEWS**  
Tagalog

**WIKIPEDIA**  
Hiligaynon Capiznon  
Kinaray-a Tausug



Rinconada Bicolano

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**Central Bicolano**  
**Waray-Waray**



# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 2010. Figures in Philippine Pesos (₱).

## Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance

Assets	
Current assets	
Cash	₱ 114,329
Receivables	₱ 6,000
<b>Total Current assets</b>	<b>₱ 120,329</b>
Non-current assets	
Office equipment-net	₱ 62,048
<b>Total</b>	<b>₱ 182,377</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
	<b>₱ —</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>₱ 182,377</b>

## Statements of Revenue and Expenses

Revenue	
Grants	₱ 357,216
Donations	₱ 21,018
Membership fees	₱ 6,100
<b>Total</b>	<b>₱ 384,334</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Projects & activities	₱ 146,302
Rent expense	₱ 19,310
Depreciation	₱ 8,832
Professional fees	₱ 8,240
Internet & communication	₱ 6,509
Office supplies	₱ 6,210
Representation & entertainment	₱ 3,233
Permits & licenses	₱ 2,745
Transportation & travel	₱ 126
Training & seminar	₱ 100
Miscellaneous	₱ 350
<b>Total</b>	<b>₱ 201,957</b>
<b>Excess of revenue over expenses</b>	<b>₱ 182,377</b>

## Statements of Changes in Fund Balance

Fund Balance	
Balance at beginning of year	₱ —
Excess of revenue over expenses for the year	₱ 182,377
<b>Balance at end of year</b>	<b>₱ 182,377</b>

## Statements of Cash Flows

Cash flows from operating activities	
Excess of revenue over expenses	₱ 182,377
Adjustment for depreciation	₱ 8,832
Excess of revenue over expenses before changes in operating assets and liabilities decrease (increase) in:	<b>₱ 191,209</b>
Receivables	₱ (6,000)
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</b>	<b>₱ 185,209</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activity</b>	
Acquisition of office equipment	₱ (70,880)
<b>Net increase (decrease) in cash</b>	<b>₱ 114,329</b>
Cash balance at the beginning of the year	₱ —
<b>Cash balance at the end of the year</b>	<b>₱ 114,329</b>

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