



Council of Filipino Catholic Associations Terms of Reference

A. Name

Council of Filipino Catholic Associations.

B. Membership and Terms

The Council will have no less than five (5) members who are bona fide representatives of Filipino Catholic Associations recognized by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver. Each recognized Filipino Catholic Association will be entitled to a maximum of two members on the Council.

Members of the Council will serve for a term of three (3) years, which, with the Vicar General's approval, may be renewed once.

The Vicar General and Coordinator of Filipino Ministry shall be *ex officio* members with the latter serving as permanent chairperson of the Council.

C. Purpose

The purpose of the Council is to encourage and help the Filipino Catholic Associations optimally to share their diverse charisms in the service of the local Church by their greater involvement in parish life and evangelization efforts of the Archdiocese.

The role of the Council is to discern and foster an ever deeper communion among the member associations and the entire People of God, in particular with its pastors. The Council is a consultative body, not a deliberative one. The theology and spirituality of communion underline the respect to be given its deliberations. Final decisions on matters proposed by the Council, however, rest with the Vicar General, who supervises the Coordinator of Filipino Ministry.

D. Meetings

The Council will meet at least three (3) times a year or as needed, upon the initiative of the Coordinator of Filipino Ministry and/or any two members of the Council.

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