matters such as their holdings of the Bank's shares, dealings with the Bank, relationships among Directors and key officers, and the aggregate compensation of Directors and officers;

- 1.3.2. The minority shareholders shall be granted the right to propose the holding of a meeting, and the right to propose items in the agenda of the meeting, provided the items are for legitimate business purposes; and
- 1.3.3. The minority shareholders shall have access to any information relating to matters for which Management is accountable;
- 1.4 Appraisal Right

The shareholders shall have appraisal right or the right to dissent and demand payment of the fair value of their shares in the manner provided for under Section 82 of the Corporation Code of the Philippines, under any of the following circumstances:

- 1.4.1. In case any amendment to the Articles of Incorporation has the effect of changing or restricting the rights of any stockholders or class of shares, or of authorizing preferences in any respect superior to those of outstanding shares of any class, or of extending or shortening the term of corporate existence;
- 1.4.2. In case of sale, lease, exchange, transfer, mortgage, pledge or other disposition of all or substantially all of the corporate property and assets as provided in the Corporation Code;
- 1.4.3. In case of merger or consolidation;
- 1.4.4. A stockholder is likewise given an appraisal right in cases where a corporation decides to invest its funds in another corporation or business; and
- 1.4.5. The stockholder must have voted against the proposed corporate action in order to avail himself of the appraisal right.
- 1.5 Absence of Pre-emptive right to stock issuances of the corporation.

The stockholders shall have no pre-emptive right to subscribe to any new or additional issuance of shares by the Bank, regardless of the class of shares, and whether the same is issued from the Bank's unissued capital stock or in support of an increase in capital.

## 1.6 Right to dividends

Dividends shall be declared and paid out of the surplus profits of the Bank at such times and in such amounts as the Board of Directors may determine in accordance with the provisions of law and regulations of BSP, SEC and financial regulatory requirements.

1.7 It shall be the duty of the Directors to promote shareholder rights, remove impediments to the exercise of shareholders' rights and allow possibilities to seek redress for any violation of their rights. They shall encourage the exercise of shareholders' voting rights and the solution of collective action problems through appropriate mechanisms. They shall be instrumental in removing excessive costs and other administrative or practical impediments to shareholders participating in meetings and/or voting in person. The Directors shall pave the way for the electronic filing and distribution of shareholder information necessary to make informed decisions subject to legal constraints.

All complaints from stockholders should be satisfactorily handled and processed.