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I. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

A. On the case of Dr. Ponciano S. Madamba

1. In conformity with the directive of the Board at its 1328th BOR Meeting held last 6 June 2017, a letter was issued addressed to Prof. Madamba to submit additional evidence or documents to support his motion for reconsideration. The documents submitted by Prof. Madamba were referred to the Office of the Vice President for Legal Affairs for review but the OVPLA has not yet come up with a report / recommendation.

2. Upon the suggestion of Regent Escudero, President Concepcion said that he will issue a letter addressed to the incumbent Chancellor of UP Los Baños to comment on the additional documents and evidence submitted by Prof. Madamba.

II. MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD

A. ACADEMIC MATTERS

1. Institution of the Master of Science in Tourism Development and Management and the Graduate Diploma in Tourism Development and Management at the Asian Institute of Tourism

   Board Action: APPROVED

   1.1. President Concepcion said that the proposals have been approved by the UP Diliman University Council and was favorably endorsed by Vice President Bautista.

   1.2. Hearing no objection among the members, the Board approved the institution of the Master of Science in Tourism Development and Management and the Graduate Diploma in Tourism Development and Management at the Asian Institute of Tourism

2. Recommended BOR Actions to Facilitate UP's Utilization of the K to 12 Transition Due to Low Enrolment of Two Cohorts to Address its Imperatives

   The Board APPROVED the following:

   a) Temporary Suspension from SY2017-2018 to SY2020-2021 of Existing CU Rules on Teaching Load Equivalents for Research and Extension to allow for up to full time teaching load equivalent for graduate studies, research, publication and public service with corresponding outputs for the deloaded units
II. MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD (cont’d)

A. ACADEMIC MATTERS (cont’d)

2. Recommended BOR Actions to Facilitate UP’s Utilization of the K to 12 Transition Due to Low Enrolment of Two Cohorts to Address its Imperatives (cont’d)

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b) Temporary increase from SY2017-2018 to SY2020-2021 in the allowable teaching units of REPS from 3 to 6 units

c) Temporary suspension from SY2017-2018 to SY2020-2021 of the rule on hiring substitutes at the Instructor I level only to allow for the hiring of substitutes sitting on higher plantilla items

d) Temporary Suspension from SY2017-2018 to SY2020-2021 of the 6-9 unit cap on the teaching load of Professors Emeriti and retired professors to allow for up to 12 units of teaching subject to need and the requirements for assigning teaching loads to retired faculty members

2.1 President Concepcion said that since the low number in enrollment will not generate enough teaching load assignment for the regular faculty members, the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs recommended the suspension of some rules on teaching load requirement until school year 2020-2021. Regent Arinto explained that the existing rules put a cap of six (6) units for research and community or public service but if the faculty has no teaching load because there are no classes to teach, the proposal is to suspend the cap on the non-teaching assignments.

2.2 Regent Arinto added that there are also non-teaching activities (e.g., research, public service) that may be given equivalent units. Noting the annotation in the proposal, she requested that the Board be informed of the teaching load equivalents once it has been finalized by the Academic Affairs Committee.

2.3 In response to Regent Jimenez’s query on budget implications, President Concepcion said that income from tuition collection will be lower due to low enrollment in those years but the faculty members will still be paid the same salary, and the University will still be operating and maintaining its facilities.

2.4 Regarding the suspension of the rule on hiring substitute faculty, Regent Arinto said that this is the time when the faculty have less teaching load so they are supposed to be pursuing their graduate degrees to increase the doctorate faculty profile of the University. However, the existing rule states that they cannot hire substitutes who are higher than Instructor I.
II. MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD (cont’d)

A. ACADEMIC MATTERS (cont’d)

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2. Recommended BOR Actions to Facilitate UP's Utilization of the K to 12 Transition Due to Low Enrolment of Two Cohorts to Address its Imperatives (cont’d)

2.5 President Concepcion said one solution is to allow the Research, Extension, and Professional Staff (REPS) to teach up to six (6) units. If the REPS will not be enough, another solution is to suspend the rule on hiring substitutes so they can hire those with items higher than Instructor 1.

2.6 Regent Arinto said that one of the concerns of substitute faculty is that the same expectations of a regular faculty is applied to the substitute but he/she cannot be given tenure. While the temporary suspension of the rule is a stop-gap measure, ideally the University should be working on getting enough faculty items.

2.7 Regent Farolan said that these actions will address the needs of the University and provide opportunity for the REPS to move forward in their career.

2.8 Regent Farolan suggested a caveat that there should be a deeper review of the current policies in terms of faculty and staff development.

2.9 As point of clarification, President Concepcion said that all four (4) actions being recommended for Board approval will be effective until SY2020-2021.

3. Abolition of the following UP Manila Graduate Programs:

  a) Master of Basic Medical Sciences (College of Medicine)
  b) Diploma in Preventive Ophthalmology (College of Medicine)
  c) Certificate in Orthodontics (College of Dentistry)
  d) Diploma in Dental Public Health (College of Public Health)

Board Action: The Board ordered the SUSPENSION OF THE OFFERING OF THE AFOREMENTIONED GRADUATE PROGRAMS, effective First Semester AY 2017-2018. The UP Manila shall submit further justification to support the abolition of the programs.

3.1 Regent Jimenez inquired on the reasons why there was lack of enrollment in the programs recommended for abolition.

3.2 President Concepcion said that since the University cannot continue allotting resources to maintain courses with no students, the University Council of UP Manila proposed the abolition of the four academic programs. The Vice President for Academic Affairs recommended the approval of the abolition which is why it is being endorsed to the Board of Regents for approval.
II. MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD (cont’d)

A. ACADEMIC MATTERS (cont’d)

3. Abolition of the following UP Manila Graduate Programs: (cont’d)

3.3 Regent Oliquino wanted to know of the efforts of UP Manila to promote the courses since these may contribute to national development.

3.4 Regent Arinto noted that the letter submitted to the Board explains that the rationale for the abolition of the first two programs is to make way for a better future program. As for the other programs for abolition, she explained that low enrollment may have stemmed from the fact that these are diploma and certificate programs which are not as attractive as master’s programs.

3.5 Regent Escudero suggested suspending the offering of the programs in the coming school year until the Board has been given full information.

3.6 Regent Arinto suggested that the Board request UP Manila to provide a complete picture of the curricular offerings since all units are supposed to be undergoing curricular review.

3.7 Regent Farolan said that he was inclined to support the recommendation of the University Council but he wanted to know the impact on the different constituents if the programs will be abolished.

3.8 Regent Jimenez said that he would presume that due diligence was observed but wanted a more thorough explanation considering that abolishing academic programs is a major decision to be made by the Board.

3.9 Regent Arinto said that a possible reason for citing the low and zero enrollment is because that is what policy actually says under a particular article and section of a particular code. This may be one of the policies that the Board might consider reviewing, but agrees that the Board may act on the proposal on the presumption of due diligence.

3.10 Regent Escudero commented that since he became part of the Board, he noticed that they would assume regularity and the Board acts on it favourably but at the end of the day, it is the Board that decides. Thus, he agreed with Regent Jimenez that the Board request from UP Manila a more comprehensive basis of its proposal to abolish the programs before deciding on the matter with finality.

3.11 In response to Regent Farolan’s concern for the students who are enrolled in subjects offered by the programs, President Concepcion said that the Deans of the concerned colleges can handle this matter on a case-to-case basis.
II. MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD (cont’d)

A. ACADEMIC MATTERS (cont’d)

3. Abolition of the following UP Manila Graduate Programs: (cont’d)

3.12 After further discussion, President Concepcion moved to suspend the offering of the programs and request the concerned units to submit complete documentation in support of their reasons for proposing the abolishment of the programs. Chair Licuanan clarified that suspension means no new students will be admitted to the programs. Regent Arinto said that the Board will act with finality once it has all the information needed.

4. Memorandum of Agreement between the University of the Philippines and UT Foundation, Inc. for the establishment and implementation of the UT Foundation, Inc. Scholarship

Board action: APPROVED

B. FISCAL MATTERS

1. U.P. Internal Operating Budget for 2017

Board action: APPROVED

1.1. President Concepcion said that Vice President for Planning and Finance Joselito Florendo held a briefing attended by members of the Board, including the Chair of the Finance Committee, Regent Laurel.

1.2. On the request of Regent Jimenez, President Concepcion will remind Vice President Florendo to hold a briefing with Regent Jimenez and other interested members of the Board to discuss in detail the Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE)

2. Reprogramming of the Unexpended Obligations of UP Diliman under the General Fund in the amount of P70,000,000.00

Board action: APPROVED

2.1. President Concepcion clarified that a request for utilization of the reprogrammed funds is another matter that will go the Board for approval but in the meantime, the current request is for authority to reprogram the funds so that the funds will remain with the University.

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1 In all resolutions involving the disbursement of funds, it is understood that the same must be subject to all existing government accounting and auditing laws, rules and regulations.
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B. FISCAL MATTERS

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3. Reprogramming of UP System Administration’s Unexpended Balances of prior years’ obligations in the amount of P60,000,000.00

Board action: APPROVED

3.1. Regent Farolan asked if the administration could consider using some of the reprogrammed funds to pay off the unliquidated grants of some units declared as centers of excellence by CHED so all units may avail of the PhP 3 Million grant. He learned that all units declared as centers of excellence cannot receive the grant from CHED unless all previous grants have been liquidated.

3.2. President Concepcion said that the many requirements of the Commission on Audit (COA) on liquidation make it difficult for units to comply with. One strategy is a substitute compliance to prove that the money was spent for the grant.

3.3. Chair Licuanan said that big research universities have an infrastructure of research management support to handle matters such as liquidation of grants.

3.4. President Concepcion agreed with Chair Licuanan on the need to strengthen the administrative staff support. In the meantime, his administration is addressing the issue by working on a separate set of rules on procurement for research.

3.5. Regent Farolan said that he plans to discuss the matter with Vice President Florendo.

3.6. In response to Regent Oliquino, President Concepcion said that the reprogrammed funds are savings from various projects and they are reprogrammed to ensure that the money will remain with the University.

C. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Request for waiver of rules on secondment in favor of Dr. ROWENA CRISTINA L. GUEVARA, Professor, College of Engineering to enable her to serve as Acting Undersecretary of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), effective 1 July 2017 until 30 June 2019

Board action: APPROVED

1.1. President Concepcion said that under existing rules of the University and the Civil Service Commission, the maximum number of years on secondment is two (2) years but there is a provision, to wit:

1 In all resolutions involving the disbursement of funds, it is understood that the same must be subject to all existing government accounting and auditing laws, rules and regulations.
II. MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD (cont’d)

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C. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (cont’d)

1. Request for waiver of rules on secondment in favor of Dr. ROWENA CRISTINA L. GUEVARA ... (cont’d)

“In very meritorious cases the Board may upon recommendation of the unit head concerned, the Dean, the Chancellor, and the President waive the rule on the number of years a faculty/staff member may be allowed to be on secondment. In no case, however, shall a faculty/staff member be allowed to be on secondment for more than six (6) years.”

However, the Board can provide an exception to the rule it adopted earlier, hence, the request of a waiver from Dr. Guevara.

2. Renewal of appointment (as a stop gap measure) of Prof. GLADYS CHERISSE J. COMPLETO, Professor 1, College of Arts and Sciences, UP Los Baños, effective 1 January 2017 until 31 July 2017

Board action: APPROVED

3. Request for Temporary Waiver of Faculty Tenure Rules in favor of the following:

UP Los Baños

MAE JOANNE B. AGUILA, Associate Professor 1, College of Arts and Sciences, effective 1 August 2017 until 31 December 2017

DALISAY S. MALIGALIG, Associate Professor 2, College of Arts and Sciences, effective 1 August 2017 until 31 December 2017

ROZANO S. MANIAOL, Assistant Professor 1, College of Arts and Sciences, effective 1 August 2017 until 31 December 2017

AILEEN P. MIJARES, Assistant Professor 1, College of Arts and Sciences, effective 1 August 2017 until 31 December 2017

ASA JOSE U. SAJISE, Associate Professor 2, College of Economics and Management, effective 1 August 2017 until 31 December 2017

UP Open University

RAMESES A. DE JESUS, Assistant Professor 1, Faculty of Education, effective 1 August 2017 until 31 December 2017

QUEENIE R. RIDULME, Assistant Professor 2, Faculty of Management and Development Studies, effective 1 August 2017 until 31 December 2017
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B. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (cont’d)

3. Request for Temporary Waiver … (cont’d)

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**UP Cebu**

REGLETTO ALDRICH D. IMBONG, Assistant Professor 2, College of Social Sciences, effective 1 August 2017 until 31 July 2018

**Board action:** APPROVED

4. Appointment of Faculty: *Transfer to Permanent Status*

**UP Diliman**

TERESA S. CONGJUICO, Assistant Professor 1, College of Mass Communication, effective 27 July 2017

JOSE CARLO G. DE PANO, Assistant Professor 1, College of Arts and letters, effective 27 July 2017

MA. BRIDA LEA D. DIOLA, Assistant Professor 1, College of Engineering, effective 27 July 2017

JENNIFER P. LOVERIO, Assistant Professor 1, College of Home Economics, effective 27 July 2017

LEANDER P. MARQUEZ, Assistant Professor 1, College of Social Sciences and Philosophy, effective 27 July 2017

WILSON M. TAN, Assistant Professor 5, College of Engineering, effective 27 July 2017

MARK EDWIN A. TUPAS, Assistant Professor 2, College of Engineering, effective 27 July 2017

**UP Los Baños**

GLADYS CHERISSE J. COMPLETO, Professor 1, College of Arts and Sciences, effective 27 July 2017

FRANCIS MARK DIOSCORO R. FELLIZAR, Assistant Professor 1, College of Human Ecology, effective 27 July 2017

RODERICK C. JAVAR, Assistant Professor 4, College of Arts and Sciences, effective 27 July 2017
II. MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD (cont’d)

C. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (cont’d)

4. Appointment of Faculty: Transfer to Permanent Status (cont’d)

_UP Los Banos (cont’d)_

DIOSDADO B. LOPEGA, Assistant Professor 1, College Arts and Sciences, effective 27 July 2017

RUTH A. ORTEGA-DELA CRUZ, Assistant Professor 3, College of Public Affairs, effective 27 July 2017

ANTONIO L. RAYOS, JR., Assistant Professor 1, College of Arts and Sciences, effective 27 July 2017

ALFIE M. TORRES, Assistant Professor 1, College of Forestry and Natural Resources, effective 27 July 2017

_UP Manila_

PETER JAMES B. ABAD, Assistant Professor 1, College of Nursing, effective 27 July 2017

Board action: APPROVED:

III. MATTERS CONFIRMED BY THE BOARD

The Board CONFIRMED the following matters:

A. Academic Matters

1. The approval by the President of the lists of candidates for graduation of students from different Constituent Universities, who have completed all the requirements for their respective degrees/titles as of the end of Second Semester, or as of the end of term specified, AY2016-2017, as recommended by their respective University Councils

   a) UP Diliman
   b) UP Los Baños
   c) UP Manila
   d) UP Visayas
   e) UP Mindanao
   f) UP Cebu

(Authority to approve graduation of students for the Second Semester of AY 2016-2017 was granted to the UP President by the Board of Regents at its 1328th meeting held on 16 June 2017.)
III. MATTERS CONFIRMED BY THE BOARD (cont’d)

The Board CONFIRMED the following matters: (cont’d)

A. Academic Matters (cont’d)

2. The approval by the UP President of the following requests of students, as endorsed by the UP Diliman University Council Committee on Student Admissions, Progress, and Graduation (UC-CSAPG):

   a) Waiver of the two-year residency immediately prior to graduation (with honors):

      • Ms. Charlotte D. Orense, BS in Business Administration, Cesar E.A. Virata School of Business
      • Mr. Bernardo Manuel S. Tamase, BS in Hotel, Restaurant and Institution Management, College of Home Economics
      • Ms. Myrtle Abigail P. Sarrosa, BA Broadcast Communication, College of Mass Communication

   b) Request to credit six (6) units of NSTP courses taken in different components (LTS 1 and CWTS 2):

      • Ms. Jill DG. Misa, BA Public Administration student of the National Public Administration and Governance

   c) Request to credit NSTP 1 & 2 taken in different components from the College of San Benildo-Rizal:

      • Ms. Ma. Angel T. Alemania, Bachelor of Secondary Education, College of Education

2.1 In response to Regent Farolan regarding the request to credit NSTP courses taken from the College of San Benildo-Rizal, Regent Arinto said that the letter sent to the Board indicates that the student took the courses before she transferred to UP.

B. General Governance

1. Extension of the service of Dr. EVELYN T. BELLEZA as Vice Chancellor for Planning and Development until the end of the Chancellor Espinosa’s term on 31 October 2017

2. Ad Interim Appointment of Prof. MARIA BERNADETTE L. ABRERA as Dean, College of Social Sciences and Philosophy, UP Diliman, effective 6 July 2017
III. MATTERS CONFIRMED BY THE BOARD (cont’d)

The Board CONFIRMED the following matters: (cont’d)

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B. General Governance (Cont’d)

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2. Ad Interim Appointment … (cont’d)

2.1 President Concepcion explained that he issued as ad-interim appointment to Prof. Maria Bernadette Abrera as Dean of the College of Social Sciences and Philosophy (CSSP) because she had to immediately assume the position since the incumbent Dean was not willing to hold-over his position and the Board has yet to meet within a certain period (30 days) to confirm the President’s nomination.

2.2 The President added that if the Board defers the approval of the ad interim appointment, then the appointee loses the right to continue discharging the functions of the office unless the President issues another Ad Interim appointment.

IV. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION OF THE BOARD

The Board NOTED the following matters:

A. Invitation from Regent Farolan

Board Action: NOTED

Regent Farolan invited the members of the Board to participate in the disaster risk reduction and management (DRRM) efforts of the University, one of which is working with the Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA) K9 Core to train dogs for search and rescue.

B. A report of the activities of the Faculty Regent from 16 June to 27 July 2017

Board Action: NOTED

Regent Arinto put on record her submission of her written report for the information of the Board. (A copy of the report is attached as Annex A, pages 17-18.)
IV. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION OF THE BOARD (cont’d)

The Board NOTED the following matters: (cont’d)

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C. Contracts/Agreements

The following agreements are compliant with standard and applicable University processes involving the Constituent Universities (CUs) concerned and the University System. They fall under the delegated approving authority of the President, subject to information of the Board on matters not exceeding P150 Million Pesos (1312th BOR Meeting, 29 October 2015).

UP Diliman

1. Memorandum of Understanding between the University of the Philippines Diliman and the Cagayan State University providing for academic cooperation

2. Memorandum of Agreement between the University of the Philippines Diliman and the Department of Trade and Industry- Region I (DTI-Region I) for the conduct of Business Continuity Planning Seminar

3. Memorandum of Agreement between the University of the Philippines Diliman and the Department of Trade and Industry- Region III (DTI-Region III) for the conduct of Small Business Counselors Course (Batch 3)

4. Memorandum of Agreement between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Healthjustice Philippines, Inc. for the conduct of a roundtable discussion on bills promoting a smoke-free environment and promotion of health in the Philippines

5. Memorandum of Agreement between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Quirino State University for the Professional Development Program for elementary and High School Science and Mathematics Teachers and teachers Educators of Quirino Province

6. Memorandum of Agreement between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Bureau of Customs for the conduct of Mandatory Continuing Legal Education (MCLE)

7. Memorandum of Understanding between the University of the Philippines Diliman and University Court of the University of Glasgow

8. Contract of Lease between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Intercommunication Center for Asia and Nippon (ICAN) providing for academic cooperation

9. Contract of Lease between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Everfirst Loans Corporation for lease of 2ndfloor, Citimall Complex with a total area of 12.25sq.m. more or less

10. Contract of Lease between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Anna Marguerite G. Escalona for lease of Stall No. 05, Building 003, Acacia Dorm Student Support Area specifically and exclusively as a laundry business
IV. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION OF THE BOARD (cont’d)

The Board NOTED the following matters: (cont’d)

C. Contracts/Agreements (cont’d)

UP Diliman

11. Contract of Lease between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Conrada Eugenio Javier for lease of an area at the Ground Floor of Vinzongs Hall Building specifically and exclusively as a Xerox/copying machine operator

12. Contract of Lease between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Smart Communications, Inc. for lease of area located in Gonzales Hall, University Library Building

13. Contract of Lease between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Prime Recall Advertising and Services, Inc. for lease of a parcel of land to serve as the site of a Digital Display Structure

14. Contract of Lease between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Mr. Edgar T. Perefia, doing business under the name and style of UPNET Cyber Café for the lease of Stall No.2, Building 2, Centennial Dormitory Student Support Area

15. Investment Management Agreement between the University of the Philippines Diliman (Principal) and Development Bank of the Philippines (Investment Manager)

16. Investment Management Agreement between the University of the Philippines Diliman (Principal) and Land Bank of the Philippines (Investment Manager)

17. Project Contract between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Japan International Cooperation Agency Project Office for ASEAN University Network/Southeast Asia Engineering Education Development Network OICAProject for AUN/SEED- Net) for a Graduate Study Program for Master’s/Doctoral Degree (AUN/SEED-NetProject No. UP G1701)

18. Construction Agreement between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Rolando S. Correa, doing business under the name and style of KB Konstrak Building Solutions for the proposed construction of Fire Escape Staircase and Miscellaneous works at Hardin ng Dona Aurora, Jacinto St., UP Diliman

19. Construction Agreement between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Mr. Jesus A. Asuncion, doing business under the name and style of Jesus Asuncion Builders for the proposed renovation works at UPIS 3-6 Bulwagan, UP Integrated School

20. Deed of Donation and Acceptance between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Calabria Company Limited Manila Branch Office for the Donation of PhP250,000.00 in support of NISMED’s Professional Development Program of Elementary and High School Science and Mathematics Teachers and Teacher Educators of Quirino Province
IV. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION OF THE BOARD (cont’d)

The Board NOTED the following matters: (cont’d)

C. Contracts/Agreements (cont’d)

UP Diliman

21. Memorandum of Understanding between the University of the Philippines Diliman and the National Research for Disaster-free and Safe Ocean City at Dong-A University (D-SOC) providing for academic cooperation

22. Memorandum of Understanding and Memorandum of Agreement on Student Exchange between the University of the Philippines Diliman and National Tsing Hua University providing for academic cooperation and student exchange

23. Memorandum of Understanding and Memorandum of Agreement on Student Exchange between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Zaman University providing for academic cooperation and student exchange

24. Memorandum of Understanding between the University of the Philippines Diliman and the League of Cities of the Philippines (LCP) for the teaching of Chinese language and culture to schools in the respective localities

25. Memorandum of Agreement between the University of the Philippines Diliman and the Microfinance Council of the Philippines (MCPI) for the conduct of Entrepreneurship and Management Program

26. Memorandum of Agreement between the University of the Philippines Diliman and the Philippine Astronomic, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA)

27. Contract of Lease between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Pilipinas Shell Petroleum Corporation for lease of 1,826.27sq.m. located along Commonwealth Avenue, Quezon City

V. OTHER MATTERS

1. Institution of the Program for Health Care Quality and Patient Safety, UP Manila

   Board Action: APPROVED

President Concepcion said that the program proposed by the College of Medicine is a research program to promote research and policy formation through interdisciplinary teams towards safer patient care and better health outcomes. Regent Arinto added that it is also an education and training program for doctors and healthcare professionals who are in-charge of patient safety.
V. OTHER MATTERS (cont’d)

1. Institution of the Program for Health Care Quality … (cont’d)

Regent Arinto said that the Chancellor of UP Manila has submitted the same to the Senate to be adopted as a health bill. President Concepcion said that it may be considered as a prototype and when the legislators are convinced that this is a worthy research activity, they can provide funding by introducing a bill to institutionalize the program.

Upon the suggestion of Regent Hofer, Regent Jimenez requested the College of Medicine to submit a draft bill. President Concepcion instructed Secretary Lara to write a letter addressed to the Chancellor of UP Manila requesting for a draft of a bill that will institutionalize the Program for Healthcare Quality and Patient Safety.

2. Request of Regent Jimenez in his letter of 21 July 2017 addressed to members of the Board, for information and briefing of the following:

a) UP budget and expenses;

b) Personnel employment status;

c) Resource efficiency of Constituent Universities; and,

d) Policy on donations

2.1 President Concepcion and Regent Jimenez discussed the creation of a BOR oversight committee to take charge of campus maintenance and cleanliness.

2.2 Regent Arinto suggested that the oversight committee request units to provide information on the mechanisms in place regarding maintenance, including personnel assigned to oversee such activities.

2.3 President Concepcion informed the Board of his plan to demolish dilapidated buildings and remove other campus eyesores. The next step to cleaning campus surroundings is restoring or renovating the buildings.

2.4 Regent Farolan said that that the cleanliness and orderliness of campus facilities are also factors in the safety, security and emergency preparedness of the UP community.

2.5 Regent Jimenez requested President Concepcion to transmit to the constituent universities the sense of the Board on this issue to which the President agreed.

2.6 Regent Farolan commended the action of the President of inspecting the buildings in the campus which then translated to some improvements in UP Diliman.

2.7 President Concepcion suggested that a briefing be conducted with the Board to discuss the proposed concrete actions to address the problems.
V. **OTHER MATTERS (cont’d)**

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3. **On Responding to Identical Letters Addressed to Each Member of the BOR**

   3.1 Chair Licuanan said that there should be a policy on handling letters received by the Board. She agreed with Regent Jimenez that the Board exists as a group and that they should not be responding to letters individually. Thus, President Concepcion proposed that they send one reply, as a Board, to letters addressed to each of them.

4. **Submission of CUs on the request of the BOR for information on Special Education Training Programs of the University for teachers handling the education of Children and Youth with Special Needs (CYSNs)**

   **Board Action:** The President to send a letter to the College of Education to make a proposal for a program to capacitate teachers in the identification, handling, and inclusive education of CYSNs.

   4.1 President Concepcion stated that current faculty are not required to undergo training to handle education of children and youth with special needs. Thus, he suggested that the College of Education be encouraged to provide an extension program that will train teachers to handle CYSNs.

   4.2 Regent Arinto concurred with the President and added that the UP Open University has an online course under the SPED program for people who want to get professional teaching certification in that track. She said that the move in education is what they call as a universal design where there is no bias that will unduly exclude others.

   4.3 Chair Licuanan suggested that the Board ask the College of Education to make a status report on what is available for persons with disabilities in UP, then they can aspire towards improving the University’s capacity to respond and to be more inclusive about special education.

   4.4 Regent Escudero said that it is more of UP’s role as the national university to provide adequate training to teach public school teachers so they will be equipped with skills needed given the policy of the Department of Education towards inclusion of CYSNs in class.

   4.5 Regent Farolan said that when referring to special needs, it does not only pertain to PWDs but also those with mental or psychological issues or challenges. He suggested that one of the things to consider is how to further improve the capabilities of faculty and staff to identify such persons.

   4.6 Chair Licuanan said that there are two aspects to consider. One is UP’s capacity to handle this program among its own students and its capacity, being the national university, as a resource for training teachers all over the country.

   4.7 President Concepcion agreed with Chair Licuanan’s suggestion to challenge the College of Education to start a program to capacitate teachers in the identification, handling, and inclusive education of CYSNs.

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OFFICE OF THE FACULTY REGENT

Report of the Faculty Regent
16 June to 26 July 2017

My activities in the period covered by this report were as follows:

20 July 2017    Attended the launch of the UP Resilience Institute
21 July 2017    Attended the UP Manila commencement exercises
22 July 2017    Attended the UP Baguio commencement exercises
23 July 2017    Attended the UP Los Baños Graduate School commencement exercises
24 July 2017    Attended the UP Los Baños commencement exercises
25 July 2017    Attended the UP Diliman commencement exercises
26 July 2017    Attended the Parangal for the 2017 Graduating Class of UPV Tacloban College
27 July 2017    Attended the UP Visayas Tacloban College commencement exercises
28 July 2017    Attended the UP Visayas Tacloban College Sta. Elena campus groundbreaking ceremony
4-6 July 2017    Served as resource person and facilitator of the UP System GE Conference held at Mt. Malarayat Golf and Country Club in Lipa, Batangas
11 July 2017    Attended the third Investiture Committee meeting
19 July 2017    Facilitated the second UPOU Faculty of Education workshop for the institution of an MA in Science Education and an MA in Mathematics Education program
20 July 2017    Met with the UP Executive Vice-President Teodoro Herbosa, Vice-President for Administration Nestor Yunque, Vice-
President for Planning and Finance Joselito Florendo, and representatives of the OVPAA and the OVPLA to discuss a proposal to amend the Faculty Sick Leave Benefit

25 July 2017  Met with All UP Academic Employees Union National President Prof. Ramon Guillermo to discuss a proposal to amend the Faculty Sick Leave Benefit

26 July 2017  Facilitated the second UPOU Faculty of Education workshop for the revision of the PhD in Education program

Met with Vice-President for Academic Affairs Maria Cynthia Rose Bautista to discuss various academic matters

Patricia B. Arinto
Faculty Regent
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