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Tarlac State University Board of Regents (TSU BOR) urged the university administration to craft plans fit for the future TSU students and to offer curricular programs relevant to society’s needs during the annual university planning held on February 10 to 13, 2020 at Panglao, Bohol.

The said planning session is a continuation of the “disruptive” innovations introduced by Hon. Enrique “Kit” Cojuangco, TSU BOR private sector representative, during the 2019 university planning.

The plans presented the university administration were refined through the messages delivered by the BOR members from the “strategic plans by millennials for the GenZ” of Hon. Cojuangco; “challenge of staying relevant but becoming catalysts and pioneers” of Hon. Dennis Norman T. Go; “strengthening of government-industry-academe collaboration” of Hon. Leon M. Dacanay, Jr. and Hon.

Agustin Mendoza of the National Economic Development Authority (NEDA); to the “prepare to fail if you fail to prepare” wisdom shared by Hon. Jesus Cano Chua.

TSU President Dr. Myrna Q. Mallari engaged the administration to attain a dream of excellence and continue the “disruptive” innovations introduced by Hon. Cojuangco in 2019 by meeting the needs of Education 4.0.

ENGAGEMENT, COLLABORATION,
EXCELLENCE

Hon. Cojuangco patterned his message after the “Engagement, Collaboration, Excellence” theme of the annual university planning which he rearranged into engagement, excellence, and collaboration.

“I want the academe to say that millennials are our doing. It’s not fault-finding. It’s saying that we have a responsibility,” said Hon. Cojuangco stating that millennials are an academic problem.

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His input addresses the need to counter the counter-revolution culture popularized by the Generation X or the Baby Boomers. According to Regent Cojuangco, millennial academe planners must engage the Generation Z to be critical thinkers and to collaborate by creating a more suitable plan for them.

RELEVANT INSTITUTION

Hon. Go and the NEDA regents, Hon. Dacanay and NEDA Assistant Regional Director Mendoza, focused their inputs on the need to make TSU relevant in the society.

Regent Go challenged the university to be at the forefront as catalysts or pioneers in the society which is possible by strengthening research and development initiatives

and finding a niche in the development of Region III.

“As we [TSU] provide for academic learning or education, we should also find our niche in development by providing the necessary research, tools, and planning,” said Hon. Go.

Meanwhile, Regent Dacanay and ARD Mendoza stressed that the academe must look at the bigger picture and not only focus on the education sector when making plans. They suggested that government-industry-academe collaboration is important to prepare students for employment.

“Preparing the ground is looking at education and preparing our human capital [students] to contribute to the productive efforts of our society,”

said Hon. Dacanay.

Hon. Dacanay also encouraged the promotion of research, innovation, and technology.

ON SHARING WISDOM

Hon. Chua, as the senior regent, spoke lightly and addressed the university administration as his “TSU family” expressing his pride and honor whenever being associated with the academic institution.

He inspired the administrative council through his shared wisdom on excellence and the benefits of investing in education for the youth and for society’s development.

“I am happy that my TSU family is on the frontline na ‘yong mga bata ay magkakaroon ng better future,” said Hon. Chua.

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SCUAA III: 1st sporting event in NCC following SEA Games 2019

More than 3,000 athletes competing in the State Colleges and Universities Athletic Association (SCUAA) Olympics for Region III gathered at the New Clark City (NCC) in Capas, Tarlac on February 2, 2020.

The 23rd SCUAA III Olympics is the first sporting event held in New Clark City following the Southeast Asian Games last December 2019.

Having Tarlac State University again as the host for the SCUAA III Olympics, Capas Mayor Reynaldo Catacutan, the President of TSU-Alumni Association and TSU Board of Regents member, volunteered Capas town to be this year's location for the annual regional sporting event.

The 13 participating State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) in Central Luzon stayed in Tarlac province until February 8, 2020 where the awarding and closing ceremony were held at the Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC)

in Camp O'Donnell in Capas Tarlac.

The swimming and athletics events were held in New Clark City while the other sporting events like football, baseball, softball, and archery were held in TRADOC.

Student athletes were delighted by the New Clark City's world-class sports facilities; hence it was eyed as the next Sports Capital of the Philippines.

The Athletics Stadium which has a 20,000-seating capacity was inspired by the "caldera" or crater of Mt. Pinatubo as well as the concrete which has an organic lahar material. This stadium features a world-class-400-meter, nine-lane standard track.

While the 2,000-seater Aquatics Center's structure was inspired by the woven patterns of "baklad" or woven fish nets and capiz shells.

"Isang buwan pa lang ang nakalilipas (after SEA Games) pero marami na ang tumatawag. Ang laki ng excitement na naibigay sa atin ng Southeast Asian Games. Dahil nga

world class 'yung facilities, talagang gagamitin ito ng ating mga kababayan at dapat lang para sa ating lahat," Vivencio 'Vince' Dizon, President and CEO of Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA) said in an interview.

Dizon furthered that student-athletes should be taken care of and should have the right training for they will be the future athletes who will represent the country.

"Mas maganda yung facilities dito kaysa sa mga nalalaruan naming ibang mga schools, kaya mas magiging maganda yung laban," said nineteen-year-old discus throw athlete Drake Navo from Bulacan State University.

The opening ceremony was graced by the supportive congressmen of Tarlac, Hon. Carlos "Charlie" Cojuangco of the First District and Hon. Noel Villanueva of the Third District, as well as Victoria town Mayor Hon. Christian Yap – representative of Tarlac Governor Susan Yap.

[Maria Adelaida Calayag]





SCUAA III OLYMPICS



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EDU-CONNECT TAIWAN COLLABORATION

PLANNING



Edu-Connect Taiwan collaborates with TSU and Tarlac Provincial Government



Tarlac State University, in cooperation with the Provincial Government of Tarlac, hosted a welcome dinner to the delegation of Edu-Connect Southeast Asia Association of Taiwan on February 7, 2020 at the Bulwagang Kanlahi, Diwa ng Tarlac.

With hopes of fostering a stronger academic and economic network, top officials of TSU and Edu-Connect gathered and socialized together with Tarlac Province and Tarlac City officials, and representatives of Micro-Small-and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSMEs).

Despite the nCoV situation, TSU President Dr. Myrna Q. Mallari expressed her utmost appreciation that the event managed to push through.

“It is my great honor and privilege to be part of this wonderful and very important event in the history of Edu-Connect and TSU. The engagement and activities that we have today will pave the bilateral relations, hopefully, of our institutions towards higher and advanced education, business ventures, collaborations, cultural and artistic exchanges,” Dr. Mallari said in her message.

“May this day be the beginning of a long, lasting... and for me more importantly, friendships between and

among our institutions,” she concluded.

In response, Edu-Connect Executive Director, Chair-professor and President of Shu-Te University Dr. Eing-Ming Wu highlighted two intentions for their visit: 1) To partner and develop together as emerging hubs of good governance in Asia for Asian Development and 2) For Taiwan and Philippines to become a pair of symbiotic engines that will thrust to work together in reaching inclusive education.

“Let me reiterate, I’m not here to flatter you. The UP System is the leader in Southeast Asia, while PASUC (Philippine Association of State Universities and Colleges) will make this country stronger and effective in different provinces to make this country more equal and a more inclusive society,” said Dr. Wu in his message.

He also affirmed his congenial relations to Dr. Mallari conveying his delight with “journeying together” with TSU, “I’m so happy that I will be able to walk with TSU, walk with my dear sister Dr. Myrna Mallari. I hope our universities will be successful in transforming our nations. I’m hoping that we can do that together.”

The Edu-Connect delegation was comprised of top officials from National

Taichung University of Education, National Kaohsiung University of Science and Technology, St. John’s University, National Taipei University of Business, National University of Kaohsiung, National Chiayi University, National Tsing Hua University, National Taitung University, Chung Hwa University of Medical Technology, Chang Jung Christian University, I-Shou University, Chia Nan University of Pharmacy and Science, Meiho University, Green Power Agriculture Technology Co., Rainbow Family Life Education Association, Blessed & Blessing Church in Tainan, and Mayushan Foods Co.

Provincial and City Government guests include the Vice-Governor of Tarlac Hon. Carlito Santos David, Tarlac 2nd District Board Member and TSU Regent Hon. Dennis Norman T. Go, Tarlac City Government Legal Officer and representative of Tarlac City Mayor Atty. Joselito Castro, and Head of Tarlac City Economic Enterprise Management Office Dr. Mina Tañedo.

Special performances were presented by the TSU Chorale and the TSU Performing Arts.

[Jodie Andrea G. Pangilinan]

TSU secures 3rd runner up spot in SCUAA III

Tarlac State University ranked third runner up after garnering 49 golds in the week-long State Colleges and Universities Athletic Association (SCUAA 2019) Region III Olympics held in Capas, Tarlac.

TSU bagged 145 medals which include 49 gold, 47 silver, and 49 bronze medals as announced in the closing and awarding ceremonies held at the Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) Grandstand in Camp O'Donnell, Capas, Tarlac last February 8, 2020.

“To all the athletes, you all did your best, you made this [SCUAA 2019] so successful. Each player (gold medalists) will be representing the Region 3; may you bring with you the good name of Region 3,” Dr. Armee N. Rosel, TSU Vice President for Research and Extension Services, said in her closing remarks.

VP Rosel expressed how thankful TSU is in having the opportunity to host the SCUAA III Olympics for two consecutive years.

She added that hosting the SCUAA III Olympics is an opportunity to show how the TSU community worked together with camaraderie and bayanihan in organizing the regional sporting event.

MGen. Cornelio Valencia, Jr., Commander of TRADOC, Philippine Army, was awarded with a plaque for their valuable

support to TSU in the hosting of the SCUAA 2019 and their generosity of providing their camp as venue for selected sporting events. The award was received by Col. Erwin Salibad, Director of TRADOC.

President Ramon Magsaysay State University (PRMSU) in Zambales was officially announced as the host for the SCUAA 2020.

Region III athletes are now preparing for the National SCUAA to be held on April 2020 in Bicol Region. [Maria Adelaida D. Calayag]



TARLAC STATE UNIVERSITY

Vision

Tarlac State University is envisioned to be a premier University in the Asia Pacific Region.

Mission

Tarlac State University commits to promote and sustain the offering of quality and relevant programs in higher and advanced education ensuring equitable access to education for people empowerment, professional development, and global competitiveness.

Towards this end, TSU shall:

- 1.) Provide high quality instruction through qualified, competent and adequately trained faculty members and support staff.
- 2.) Be a premier research institution by enhancing research undertakings in the fields of technology and sciences and strengthening collaboration with local and international institutions.
- 3.) Be a champion in community development by strengthening partnership with public and private organizations and individuals

Quality, Environment, and Health and Safety (QEHS)

Tarlac State University is committed to improve continually for:

- Global competitiveness and excellence in the delivery of education, research, extension, training and consultancy services, hotel operation and administrative support services;
- safe and healthy working conditions to prevent injury and ill health of its employees, students, guests, visitors, suppliers and contractors;
- management of environmental aspects towards the prevention of pollution;
- compliant to regulatory and statutory requirements for the utmost satisfaction of its valued customers.

Editorial

Revolutions and Changes

The word revolution is defined by Irving Fang, a communication scholar, as a sudden and often violent change. But revolutions can be more subtle, evolving over decades, even centuries. Revolutions create changes, intended or not, that stick.

The Philippines commemorates the EDSA Revolution (or People Power Revolution) every February 25th. Likewise, Tarlac State University initiates a revolution usually at the onset of the calendar year – a revolution that is not violent, but technically disrupts the status quo which sets the path of the university to create intentional and positive changes that will be part of its milestones.

The democratic Philippines we are enjoying today is a product of the collective power of the Filipinos clamoring for a better situation. Just like the TSU that we have right now, it is an outcome of the dreams of past administrations to have a better technological university for the Tarlaqueños.

The planning process of TSU involves its all of its members which originate from the grassroots level until it reaches the highest decision- and policy-making body of the university for polishing. These are anchored on the Millennium and Sustainable Development

Goals of the United Nations, Philippine Development Plan 2017-2022, Duterte’s 10-Point Economic Agenda, AmBisyon Natin 2040, and the TSU vision and mission. All of these are connected efforts to arrive at a revolution, intended change, for TSU.

Planning for the future of TSU has already been a way of life. Moreover, every planning session participated by the TSU Board of Regents introduces “disruptions” that could better the academic offerings and services of the university, eventually creating a “revolution” that will be inherited – and possibly challenged – by its future leaders.

A revolution does not need to be bloody or unruly like how we perceive them in history books. It could peacefully and strategically enter an institution with the prime goal of introducing changes that will spark a more conducive, innovative, and relevant institution. The revolutions introduced by past TSU presidents paved the way for the university we are enjoying today.

To stay relevant, we need to plan for the future. And planning for the future means integrating revolutions to facilitate changes that will last.

