100% Passers in Midwifery Board 2015

June 19, 2015 was a memorable day for NLPSC and the Midwifery Department for they celebrated the success reaped by the midwifery graduates for a 100% passing performance in the June 2015 Midwifery Board and for the inclusions of several passers in the Regional Topnotchers.

To honor this scintillating feat, a Thanksgiving Mass was offered by the Midwifery Department with Rev. Fr. Rosmel D. Taerel as the officiating priest. Fr. Taerel, in his homily, said that the celebration of the success of the midwifery graduates in the board should be offered to God as He is the source of wisdom and good deeds.

2015 PASUC General Assembly

With the theme Responding to the Call for Internationalization of Higher Education: Challenges in Modernizing SUC Governance and Management, the 2015 General Assembly of the Philippine Association of State Universities and Colleges was successfully carried out at the Marriott Grand Ballroom, Newport City, Pasay City on June 24-25, 2015 with the participation of the key officials of North Luzon Philippines State College consisting of Dr. Severino G. Alviento, Officer-in-Charge of the Office of the President; Dr. Andres T. Malinnag.

Raras, NLPSC’s First Full-Fledged Professor

Dr. Jaime G. Raras, Dean of the College of Teacher Education of North Luzon Philippines State College, was the first faculty member of the institution to receive a Professorsial Accreditation rank from the National Accreditation Committee.

Last May 25, 2015, the Professorial Accreditation Meeting was held at MMSU Hostel. There were 13 applicants who tried their luck of getting a professorial rank: seven from MMSU, four from UNP, one from DMMMSU and one from NLPSC. The participants underwent two accreditation activities: the written examination that lasted for one hour and the oral interview that was done for 30 minutes to one hour. The evaluators were composed of Dr. Miriam E. Pascua being the Chairperson, Dr. Gilbert R. Arce, Dr. Amphil De Leon, and Dr. Pablo T. Zaragoza.

SY 2015-2016 First Sem Enrolment Booms

A total of 3,027 students entered the gates of NLPSC during the first semester of the school year 2015-2016 to attend their respective classes which formally started on June 8, 2015.

When North Luzon Philippines State College (NLPSC) started its operation as a separate and independent college by virtue of Republic Act No. 10085 passed and approved during the 14th Congress of the Republic, it only nurtured 1,962 students then; hence, tipping a massive increase of 54.28% in the enrolment, compared to the 3,027 students at the current semester.
Contemplating on the status of the faculty...

"The school administration was able to repay our long years of teaching service with dedication and commitment to the youth."

ALEX Q. MENDOZA
Editor-in-Chief

Many years ago, years that I could still remember, I entered the field of teaching here in Candon. I was a part-time instructor then, teaching English and Literature subjects. At the start, I needed to rent a small room near the school to spare me from the burden of spending much on my fare in going to and from Vigan where I was permanently residing. The sacrifice of teaching on a part-time basis which lasted for three years passed so suddenly when 17 plantilla positions were granted to the college, ushering a sort of heaven for me and my fellow part-time faculty. We said with glee that the long wait was over. The quandary of receiving 30 pesos per hour of teaching abruptly ceased. The yoke of asking as much as 30 units of teaching load every semester lagged surreptitiously. And a wide smile on our lips suddenly invaded our sullen and brooding face. The school administration was able to repay our long years of teaching service with dedication and commitment to the youth.

Now that I have received a bronze lapel pin for serving the institution of higher learning for 15 long years, I stopped in time to contemplate the hideous reality that is happening to teachers like us in the government service. Shall I rejoice for my feat? Shall I stay undisturbed while I have run over the hurdle and others are left behind? Shall I observe the moment until their wait could also come to an affirmative fruition? And I decided to let time pass for fortune to come while having this contemplating moment.

I am a faculty member of North Luzon Philippines State College (NLPSC) who holds one of the 38 plantilla positions. Since my temporary appointment in 1997, the number of plantilla positions has never increased. It remained 38 since then. To augment for the unserviceable students due to the insufficient number of faculty members to teach thousands of students enrolled every year, the college hires part-time faculty members. This practice of hiring part-time faculty members went on until these faculty felt that they are being exploited, neglected and humiliated. For long years of serving as part-time faculty and for hardly getting a positive light on the improvement of their status, many still stayed, others ventured to some other jobs, and others left. That is a saddening reality. Good teachers, part-time teachers, leave NLPSC because they do not have a regular position to continue rendering their teaching services. However, blame no one. The college administration has been doing its best since this plight of the part-time faculty members boomed during the maiden years of the college. I, being the President of the Faculty Association, made lavish lobbying to the college administration to help the part-time instructors to get well off with their status— to enjoy a plantilla position of their own. Lobbying was just a “kicking” thing that I could do. This had reached into the hearing of Congressman Roman T. Romulo, the Philippine Association of State Universities and Colleges (PASUC) through its President, Dr. Ricardo Rotoras, and the Confederation of Faculty Association of State Colleges and Universities of the Philippines (CFASCUP). This president will provide the lugubrious part-time faculty with the hope to go on and for soon, a similar wide smile on their lips will be showcased on those sullen and brooding faces which I and others once had 20 years ago.

For those who waited and believed, thank you. My contemplation will have its end at last.
FROM THE CORNER OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

April Criminology Board Passers
The October 2014 was a historic event for the Criminal Justice Education Department for it produced 22 new Criminologists, bagging 58.97 institutional passing percentage as against the 43.44 national passing percentage. At a parallel ground, the April 2014 Criminology Board Examination brought the Department a similar feat – 4 out of 7 passed the examination.

Last April 7, 8 and 9, 2015, the Board of Criminology and the Professional Regulation Commission conducted the nationwide Licensure Examination for Criminologist, where seven (7) criminology graduates tried their luck to pass the said board examination. The result was released after 15 working days and fortunately, 4 out of 7 takers passed the Criminology Board Examination, with an imposing 57.14% institutional passing rate as against the 33.88% national passing rate. The scintillating yield includes Licensed Criminologists Bryan A. Aguilon, Apolis M. Ganapin, BJ R. Javonitalla and Jose G. Lames.

This academic achievement is inherently posing a great challenge to the Criminal Justice Education Department in particular and to NLPSC in general to keep abreast with the innovations in higher education so as to continue maintaining the high level of performance rating in the Criminology Board Examination. (Aurelyn S. Mina)

LET Passers 2015
It was another achievement of NLPSC and the College of Teacher Education for producing new licensed teachers.

This was based on the recently released result of the Licensure Examination for Teachers by the Professional Regulation Commission last May 22, 2015.

Out of the eight re-takers from the BEED Program, there were six or 75% passed. For Batch 2013, they are Eva Lasigan, Aina D Pilayan, Evangelyn D. Soriano, and for Batch 2014, Sarah Jane Acosta, Jenny Rose N. Guerrero and Melanie Galope. The National Passing Rate is 27.42%.

For the BSE Program, 2/4 or 50% first takers passed. They are Princess Javier and John Doe. Again, congratulations! (Filipinas M. Gasalao)

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performer in producing licensed midwives in the country. The motorcade took its route from Candon to Tagudin and from Tagudin to Sta. Maria, and back to Candon.

In the testimonial luncheon conducted at the lobby of the Administration Building to give the passers and regional topnotchers a well-deserved token, Mrs. Estrella C. Gaerlan, Dr. Severino G. Alvierno and Dr. Elizabeth M. Gacusana expressed their overwhelming feelings and words of congratulations to the men-and-women of the day who brought another honor and prestige to NLPSC.

Michael Jay A. Ilagan (Top 2), Apple Lyra R. Rapada (Top 4) and Arvei O. Masendo (Top 10) gave their testimonies on their experiences before and during the midwifery board. They also expressed their gratitude to their mentors who backed them up with moral support during their review, especially to Mr. Mandy Roel A. Atendido who received a special mention from their Department Chair, Mrs. Estrella C. Gaerlan.

Domingo graduates in supervisory course

Mrs. Lorebel S. Domingo, Registrar of North Luzon Philippines State College, completed the Supervisory Development Course (Track II and III) of the Civil Service Commission Regional Office I, held at the CSC RO-I Conference Hall on June 15-19, 2015.

After a thorough orientation of the participants regarding the last two courses, Ms. Liwayway R. Navalta of the CSC Examination Services Division presented a brief review of the SDC Track I Supervisory Works.

Track II was concerned with Creating Park Performance: Perspective and Choices. The speaker digested on situations that make an employee good or bad. She stressed that the assessment of an employee as good or bad is a value judgment made by the organization’s leadership and other members of the team. There are usually a number of factors that supervisors traditionally use to distinguish good employees from other employees.

Director Hedy Jose B. Lardizabal of the CSC Regional Office I discussed the topic: Coaching, Counseling and Mentoring on the second day. He explained the three types of mentoring: situational, informal and formal. In the afternoon, he gave a lucid lecture on “empowering employees through Performance Appraisal”. He ended all his sessions with group activities.

On the third day of the training, M. Gene de Guzman, DSWD FO-I, introduced Mr. Patermo C. Laboy, a training consultant of SDC course and retired Human Resource Development Officer of NEDA, Baguio City, as the resource speaker on the topic: Making Meetings Productive and Making a Difference through Leadership. Mr. Laboy discussed the ways on how to hold and handle meetings with three phases: planning meeting, leading a meeting and a follow-up. He mentioned that when leading a meeting, the presiding officer should have a positive mind, a display of enthusiasm and interest even if the task is considered routine.

On the fourth day, Mr. Laboy discussed the topic: Making Powerful Winning Presentations. He talked about the 4 key elements of a presentation and the steps in making powerful presentations. In the afternoon, he discussed about Handling Participants/Audience with problems.

On the last day of the training, participants presented their outputs which were being evaluated by the resource speakers and the participants themselves. Awarding of certificates of completion to participants was done as the course finally culminated.

(Lorebel S. Domingo)

BJMP celebrates Community Relations Service Month

The Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP) celebrated its 4th Community Relations Service Month on June 24, 2015 at NLPSG Gymnasium with the theme “Maayos na Piitan, Kaagapay ng Bayan para sa Pagtaguyod ng Tuwid na Daan.” One of the highlights was the conduct of Information Drive through lecture and powerpoint presentation. NLPSG was chosen to participate in the event and the graduating criminology students were enjoined to attend.

J/SI Randy A. Batay-an, Candon City Jail Warden, informed the students on matters regarding the Jail Bureau, Jail Management and Penology. He discussed about the new Therapeutic Modality Program (TMP) of the BJMP which has changed the label of the prisoners of jail. Detainees or prisoners are labeled residents or board mates; the cells of the jail to dormitory; and the jail to community. The implementation of the Inmates Welfare Development Program was also a part of the TMP to benefit the residents/board mates with their basic needs such as livelihood projects inside the jail, recreational activities, and educational programs. This program prepares the residents/board mates in their reintegration with the community as changed and productive individuals.

JO1 Renz Jermaine Vitug discussed the requirements, procedures and steps in applying for the Jail Officer 1 position in the BJMP. The seminar greatly ushered the participants with substantial information about the said bureau. (John Paul Alasaas)

Dr. Gacusana applies for Presidency Position

Dr. Gacusana rendered almost three years of academic and administrative services as OIC of NLPSG. To continue overseeing the smooth operation of the college while the search for the presidency position progresses, Dr. Severino G. Alviento, the Director for Research and Extension, was designated on April 16, 2015 by Dr. Patricia B. Licuanan, Chairperson of the Commission on Higher Education, to assume as the officer-in-charge of the college until such time that the Board of Trustees has elected for the First President of NLPSG.

(The Officer-in-Charge of North Luzon Philippines State College (NLPSG), Dr. Elizabeth M. Gacusana, has stepped down from her OIC post last April 15, 2015 to apply for the SUC-1 President position of NLPSG which will be a tougher and a challenging responsibility.)
NLPSC’s Completed and On-Going Projects

Dr. Rodolfo C. Moreno, Planning Officer

After the official establishment of NLPSC as a new college in North Philippines in 2010 by virtue of Republic Act No. 10085 under the authorship of Congressman Eric D. Singson of the Second District of Ilocos Sur, the College has improved much its physical plant and facilities.

The three-storey Academic Building with audio-visual room and speech laboratory, which was initially funded during its first phase by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) through the Disbursement Acceleration Program (DAP), is now in its completion phase. This on-going infrastructure project was started on April 20, 2015 through a contract with ELOCIN Construction at a total project cost of P12,291,408.66 to be completed within 290 calendar days. And as of July 1, 2015, the contractor has completed 32.84% of the project according to Engr. Ricky Molina, the project engineer who is responsible in monitoring and supervising the project.

Initially housed in this under-constructed building were 300 monoblock armchairs equally distributed to five classrooms; thus, the classrooms have 60-seater capacity. They were purchased through the Use of Income (UI) of the college. An in addition to this, RESSTEEL Iron Works and Construction fabricated complete platforms, white and black boards, teacher’s table and chairs for each classroom, and three cabinets at the stock room of the Chemistry and Biology/Physics Laboratory Rooms of the building.

In his desire for the Student Government to have a building of its own, then-SG President Vladimir Maala initiated the construction of a Student Government Building during the academic year 2013-2014 through an allocated Student Development Fund in the amount of P1,443,924.89 to complete its Phase I. Through the First Northway Development and Construction Corporation (FNPDCC) that handled the project since the start of its construction, Phase II in the amount of P964,144.85 and Phase III in the amount of P644,553.86 were successfully completed on January 19, 2015.

To improve the landscape of the new computer laboratory located at the first floor of the Third Academic Building suited for IT environment, ELOCIN Construction performed the repair works in the amount of P253,878.08 and the project which was funded by the computer fund was completed on June 1, 2015.

With the massive increase in enrolment this school year, it is anticipated that classrooms can no longer hold a large number of students comparing with the previous years. The College is now facing the dilemma of having scarcity of classrooms for its students; hence, construction of an additional academic building will now be a priority.

In response to the heavy demands for the call of nature and to serve the members of the academic community with additional comfort rooms, the External Male and Female Comfort Room with wash area and shower room located on the western side of the NLPSC Food Court has been completed on April 18, 2015. This project was funded from the UI with a total project cost of P576,487.71 under RESSTEEL Iron Works and Construction.

The College Administration is always concerned with the safety and security of its properties, the students and the personnel. The perimeter fence at the back of the gymnasium and at the southern part of the college was destroyed by the
Livelihood and Entrepreneurial Skills Training Conducted

The College of Business Education (CBE) headed by its Dean, Mrs. Nora H. Soliven, conducted the Extension Program: the Livelihood and Entrepreneurial Skills Training to 4Ps Beneficiaries in Barangay Patpata 1st, Candon City, Ilocos Sur on June 5, 2015.

The extension program which involved 19 4Ps beneficiaries, 10 stakeholders, 12 personnel and 4 students aimed to provide the necessary skills to the target beneficiaries to help them start a small business of their own.

Mrs. Mariel M. Gagto, CBE faculty, was the resource person who lectured on the preparation of dishwashing liquid and fabric conditioner. These products are observed to be commonly used household necessities and can be produced in homes for sale; hence, providing additional income for the family.

Gacusana, Moreno attend the OBE-TNE International Conference

Dr. Elizabeth M. Gacusana and Dr. Rodolfo C. Moreno attended the International Conference on Outcomes-Based Education (OBE) and Transnational Education (TNE) organized and conducted by the International Distance Education Accreditation League, Inc. in collaboration with the Ifugao State University, Palawan State University and Euro College, Macedon on May 7-8, 2015 at Crown Legacy Hotel, Baguio City.

Dr. Ljubisha Petrujevski, President of Euro College and Vice President for Accreditation, IDEAL, Inc., presented the first plenary session entitled “Outcomes-based Education in Macedonia. The second plenary session was presented by Dr. Joanne Serrano, Associate Professor of UP Open University.

Four thematic sessions were held in the afternoon: Outcomes-Based Education; Transnational Education, ASEAN and Others; Education 1; and Education 4.

Dr. Elizabeth M. Gacusana presented her paper “Academic Performance in Field Study Courses of the Pre-Service Teachers of NLPSCE” during Session 3; while Dr. Rodolfo C. Moreno presented his paper “Analysis of the Male and Female Study Habits and Learning Styles of the Business Education Students of NLPSCE”, also during Session 3.

Two plenary sessions were done during the second day of the conference. These include the paper presentation of Dr. Romulo H. Malvar, OIC of the Office of the Director IV, CHED-CAR, entitled “Outcomes-based Education in the Philippines”; and the paper entitled “RA 10650: Open Distance Learning Act of the Philippines, Opportunities and Challenges” presented by Hon. Congressman Roman T. Romulo, Chairman of the House Committee on Higher and Technical Education. All sessions were synthesized by Dr. Michael D. Pido, VP for Research and Extension of Pangasinan State University. (Rodolfo C. Moreno)

CTE conducts Extension Program at SJII

The College of Teacher Education has successfully conducted an Extension Program at St. Joseph Institute, Candon City, Ilocos Sur on June 2, 2015 which was dubbed as “Extension Service at SJII on Iluko Orthography and Action Research”.

Sis. Nela A. Ramirez, SPC, the Directress of St. Joseph Institute, warmly welcomed the extensionists from NLPSCE; while Dr. Jaime G. Raras, Dean of the College of Teacher Education, gave the rationale of the activity with emphasis on Iluko orthography and the importance of research as part of the academic workload of the teacher.

SJII teachers in the high school and elementary levels especially those who are teaching MTB-MLE listened to lectures on the preparation of intervention materials using the Iluko language and in the preparation and conduct of action researches. Dr. Raras and Ms. Cheryl Diza discussed the Iluko orthography, explained the grammatical rules in Iluko and taught the rudiments on how to prepare intervention materials using Iluko. They facilitated the workshop by providing close supervision when teachers started to make their intervention materials.

In the afternoon, Mrs. Ruby A. Gabor and Dr. Lanie B. Tiu explained the procedure in preparing and conducting an action research. The resource persons facilitated the workshop. Participants were grouped according to their academic discipline. They were asked to formulate their research titles together with a short rationale and the statement of the problems. Group leaders presented their outputs and the extensionists from NLPSCE served as members of the Panel of Critics. (Lanie B. Tiu)
2015 2d Quarter Researches Presented in Conferences

"2nd international Research and Education Conference for the Academe of Today" held on April 18-20, 2015 at the Maharajah Hotel, Clarkfield, Angeles City, Pampanga, Philippines.

Researches presented:
1. Level of Awareness and Evaluation of the AB Political Science Students of NLPS by the Performance of Pinoys Administration by Dr. Severino G. Alvento
2. Acceptability of the Agroforestry Program in the Rehabilitation of the Soil System by Dr. Elizabeth M. Gacusana
3. The Tobacco Industries and Issues on Ecological Integrity by Dr. Severino G. Alvento, Mr. Rico G. Gasco, Ramil T. Batin & Mrs. Marife D. Alvento
4. The Researchers' Perspective on the ASEAN Integration by Mrs. Filipinas M. Gasalao and Dr. Severino G. Alvento
5. The Small-Scale Mining Operations in Patanac, Quirino, Ilocos Sur by Mr. Samson C. Nisperos & Dr. Severino G. Alvento

Ibañez, Tiu attend ASCU-SN RDE Meeting

Mrs. Maribel C. Ibañez and Dr. Lanie B. Tiu attended the 2nd ASCU-SN RDE Meeting at Nueva Vizcaya State University, Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya on May 28, 2015.

Many of the SUCs were not represented during the meeting; however, the host institution still pushed the meeting through. The President of NVSU, Dr. Florentina Dumlao, welcomed the contingents from the different SUCs in the Solid North area. She gave the background of the meeting through a brief summary of what transpired during the 1st ASCU-SN RDE Meeting held at Benguet State University on April 29, 2015. After explaining the objectives of the meeting, NVSU Vice President for Research and Extension, Dr. Cecile Salas, was made to facilitate the meeting.

The group discussed issues and concerns regarding the conceived 2nd Research and Innovation Conference which was tentatively reset from September 18-19 to November 18-19, 2015. Brainstorming about the parts of the conference, cost of registration, venue, committees, theme, and evaluators among others was done. Discussions of these were peacefully done.

The next topic tackled was the refereed journal. Printouts of the papers presented during the 1st Research and Innovation Conference were given to the group, but since there were more than a hundred papers, the group decided to have them reviewed by an assigned committee of evaluators. Papers selected will be published in the two maiden issues of the ASCU-SN journal.

The third agenda was the harmonization of the Research Development and Extension Manual but this was not tackled due to time constraints. The group decided to discuss this in another meeting of the ASCU-SN RDE. (Maribel C. Ibañez)

Research updates attended

The National Academy of Science and Technology of the Philippines in cooperation with the Department of Science and Technology had conducted the Regional Seminar Workshop on Research Upgrading and Performance Evaluation on June 2-3, 2015 at San Fernando City, La Union. The two-day seminar workshop was attended by Dr. Severino G. Alvento, Mrs. Filipinas M. Gasalao and Mr. Alex Q. Mendoza. The seminar aimed to inform the various roles and functions of research in the community, to encourage the members of the academe to conduct research and to help facilitate the publication of all research outputs. (Filipinas M. Gasalao)
Crim faculty attends National Summit of Deans

Two of the faculty members of the Criminal Justice Education Department, namely: Aurelyn Sanchez-Mina and Donabelle Banasen, attended the 5th National Summit Conference Workshop of the National Council of Deans and Faculty Members Inc. with the theme “Gearing up for an OBE Criminology Curriculum Implementation” held at Garden Plaza Hotel and Suites Manila on May 7-9, 2015.

An opening prayer led by Dr. Dennis Itbunande, Vice President for Visayas, signalled the start of the program. Mr. Foronda, President of the Council, gave his words of welcome and presented the participants for the summit. Then Dr. Enrique C. Quadra, Executive Vice President, introduced the guest of honor and speaker, Hon. Panfilo M. Lacson, who made bold pronouncements to give his all-out support to HEIs for the improvement and development of their Criminology program. Lastly, during the first day, Dr. Lourdes W. Aniceto, the outgoing chairperson of NCDC Inc. delivered some administrative announcements in the implementation of the OBE Course Syllabi Format.

During the second day of the seminar, Dr. Aniceto discussed the topic: “Outcomes-Based Education: An approach to Student-Centered Education” followed by a lecture on the “Overview of the Criminology Board Examination and Projection: Its Plan and Program in the Next Decade” by Dr. Ruben Sta. Theresa, PRC, Board of Criminology. Dr. Ramil G. Gabao, Chairman, PRC Board of Examine, discussed the OBE Criminology Curriculum and he reiterated for the implementation of the OBE Criminology Curriculum this June 2015. In the afternoon, Dr. Dennis Lagum facilitated a workshop regarding the making of OBE Curriculum Syllabi.

During the last day of the seminar, Dr. Gregorio Mendoza Jr., Auditor of NCDC, presented slides regarding the upgrading of Criminology Schools Crime Laboratory into a servicing Crime Laboratory. The event concluded with the preparation of visuals, finalization and presentation of outputs in OBE Criminology Syllabi Format and followed by the giving of comments and suggestions by the different technical committees of the Criminology Board Examiner.

(Donabelle Banasen)

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Jr., Director for Administrative and Finance Services; Mrs. Estrela C. Gaerlan, Director for Academic Affairs; Mrs. Marissa L. Mones, President of the Non-Teaching Personnel Association; Mr. Alex Q. Mendoza, President of the Faculty Association; and Mr. June A. Gaygayed, President of the Student Government.

The procession of the PASUC National Officers, Guest Speakers and Regional PASUC Chairpersons marked the official opening of the assembly. The Philippine State College of Aeronautics spearheaded the Entrance of Colors, the doxology and the singing of the Philippine National Anthem. Dr. Herbert Glenn P. Reyes, the Executive Director of PASUC was made the Officer-of-the-Day and took a lucid introduction of the delegates who attended the assembly and the honored guest in the presidential table.

The welcome address was delivered by the PASUC President, Dr. Ricardo E. Rotoras; while Dr. Bernard R. Ramirez, the Vice President for NCR introduced the Keynote Speaker, Hon. Michael G. Aguinaldo, the Chairperson of the Commission on Audit.

A series of session lectures and presentations were done in the afternoon. Approximately 45 minutes were given to each presenter to tackle his/her assigned topic. Dr. Aleth M. Mampaug, the President of Isabela State University acted as the Officer-of-the-Day.

Mark Hallett, the Senior Director of the Office of International Programs of Colorado State University lectured on the internationalization of higher education with emphasis on global trends and cultural context, while Hon. Alex B. Brillantes, Jr., the Commissioner of the Commission on Higher Education presented the highlights of the capacity building for SUC executives cum the proposed higher education career system.

The topic, streamlining the procurement process of the SUC, was discussed by Dr. Tirso A. Ronquillo, while Hon. Roman T. Romulo, the chairman of the Committee on Higher and Technical Education of the House of Representatives provided the delegates with updates on the request of the SUCs regarding the positions for teaching and non-teaching personnel. Before having a coffee break, Atty. George S. Katigbak, the legal advisor of the Foundation for Economic Freedom, Inc. lectured on the provisions of RA 10023 regarding Public School Site Titling.

The Manual of Regulations for SUCs was presented by Hon. Rupert S. Sangagalang, Commissioner of the Commission on Higher Education while the proposed allocation scheme of the 15,000 new faculty plantilla was delivered by Hon. Ricardo E. Rotoras, PASUC President.

The Guest Speaker for the afternoon session was introduced by Dr. Mampaug. The Secretary of the Department of Energy, Hon. Carlos Jericho L. Petilla spoke on the economic plight of the Filipino workers, highlighting his speech on bad insights about 5-6 system in lending, especially among teachers who patronize this type of lending.

Amalgamation of SUCs under the Philippine Higher Education Reform was tackled by Dr. Serafin L. Ngohayon, the PASUC Auditor and President of Iloilo State University.

An hour of executive board meeting was organized and attended by all SUC presidents of the country. The honored guest at an evening assembly was Hon. Alan Peter S. Cayetano, senator of the Philippine Senate.

The PASUC Board conducted simultaneous meetings with the different associations. The meeting lasted for three hours. It was already late in the evening when delegates went to Remington Hotel for their rest. The faculty group, the non-teaching group, the board secretaries group, and SUC presidents group had their individual separate meetings in the different session halls of Marriott Grand Ballroom. (Alex Q. Mendoza)
GAD Policies and Guidelines for CHED and HEI's

A Public Orientation on CHED Memorandum Order No. 1, s. 2015 entitled “Establishing the Policies and Guidelines on GAD for CHED and HEIs” was conducted at the CHED Central Office, Diliman Quezon City on April 21-22, 2015 with the participation of Mrs. Maribel C. Ibañez, Coordinator for Gender and Development.

All GAD focal persons and GAD Focal Point System (GFPS) in HEIs from Regions I, II, III, V and CAR in the country converged in a public orientation regarding the establishment of policies and guidelines for CHED and HEIs. Atty. Carmelita Yadao-Sison, Director IV of CHED Legal and Legislative Service and Chairperson of CHED GAD Focal Committee, gave the overview of the Zonal Public Orientation and then the orientation on the different parts of CMO No. 1 s. 2015 followed with the paper presentations of resource speakers assigned to explain each major part of the CMO.

Atty. Yadao-Sison stressed that the CMO shall be issued to all HEIs in the country right after its publication. To highlight the importance of the CMO, she told that CHED should see to it that the CMO shall be the first one to be issued for the current calendar year so as to be easily remembered. She added that the CMO shall be the minimum requirement for HEIs in the implementation and monitoring of GAD activities and policies.

On the second and last day of the orientation, the Peace Process and the Bangsamoro Basic Law (BBL) along with CHED’s contribution to BBL were presented. Many questions were raised and discussions were made, crystallized and dispersed during the open forum. The session continued with practical applications of CMO No. 1 on Gender Fair Language, Gender Fair Curriculum and Gender in Research and Extension. (Maribel C. Ibañez)

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President of UNP, Dr. Honorio Buccat, Vice President of DMMSU, Dr. Florentino Dumlao of NVSU and Dr. Maylem of CLSU. The result of the accreditation was consolidated by the Regional Accreditation Committee (RAC) and it was forwarded to National Accreditation Committee (NAC) for review and validation.

It was on June 2, 2015 when the result was released by the National Accreditation Committee. NLPSC was very lucky because Dr. Raras, being the lone applicant of the college was granted and his documents were approved for a Full-Fledged Professor 3 rank. NLPSC is indeed very happy to have its first professor. We hope that this achievement would motivate and inspire all of us to reach this academic endeavor. Afterall, an honor to one is an honor to all. Congratulations Sir! We salute you. (Filipinas M. Gasalao)

Training Course on ISO 9001:2008 Quality Management System

North Luzon Philippines State College (NLPSC) with Mariano Marcos State University (MMSU) and Ilocos Sur Polytechnic State College (ISPSC) successfully completed the three-day training of ISO 9001:2008 Quality Management System Requirements and Documentation. The activity was a succeeding milestone in order to secure ISO certification; the preceding phase was the ISO 9001:2008 Orientation. It was held on June 9-11, 2015 at the Farmers Training Center, ISPSC Sta. Maria, Ilocos Sur. Mr. Rosandro G. Bertis and Ms. Samantha Sheane T. Chico, both from the Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP) served as the resource person and course facilitator, respectively.

The course aimed to:

1. Provide an in-depth understanding on the ISO 9001:2008 Quality Management System (QMS) concepts, principles and requirements;
2. Facilitate documentation workshops on the quality policy, process map, quality objectives and plans, quality manual and the ISO mandatory procedures;
3. Provide guidance in developing the structure and the format of QMS documentation;
4. Determine the key steps for QMS implementation.

The participants completed seven (7) Modules namely:

- Basic Concepts and Principles of Quality Management System (QMS);
- Quality Management System;
- Management Responsibility; Resource Management;
- Service Utilization; Measurement, Analysis and Improvement; and QMS Implementation and Certification.

Participants from the college include:

1. Alviento, Severino G. OIC-Office of the President
2. Gacusan, Elizabeth M. Faculty, TE
3. Gaerlan, Estrella C. Director, Academic Affairs
4. Malinnag, Andres Jr. T. Director, Admin and Finance
5. Gacusan, Thelma R. College Accountant
6. Raras, Jaime G. Dean, TE Department
7. Moreno, Rodolfo C. Planning Officer
8. Mendoza, Alex Q. Coordinator, Quality Assurance
9. Valdez, Helen Evelyn U. Coordinator, MIS
10. Domingo, Lorebel S. Registrar

By: Helen Evelyn U. Valdez, MIS Coordinator/PPB Focal Person
Simula Mo sa Sarili Mo
Imari G. Talaza

Tabla't karton, lama'y hinaing mo laban sa kanila Tinitilis ang init ng araw, pilit binahalewa. Paulit-ultit mong binubulalas iyong mga kamento, Pakaisipin mo, gumawa ka bago ka magreklamo. Tumayo, humakbang ka at maging produkthiho! 'Wag mo silang hintayin, walang mangyayari sa yo. Kung bibig at kakitiran ng utak ang pinapairal, Sanay'y hindi na lang sila ang iyong hinalal. Imulat ang mga mata, paganahin ng tama Kumilos ka, ipakita mo, ikaw ang Boss niya!

Panaggyaman
By: Elizabeth M. Gacusano

Naglabas iti panawen Itan makatakdcken
Manipul sappuyot Ima nga manangilala
Tanda napudno nga ayat Tapnu sirmata maragpat
Agultuloyo nga panag agawa Inkan ipanamnam
Tapnu dagiti nabuangay Agultuloyo nga maibinglay
Ket ita inkam iyebkas Naimpusuan a panagyaman
Tarabay inka impaay Agnanayun awan sarday....

Ama ken Ina
Luz V. Jimenez
Faculty, Teacher Education

Daytoy a kanito, padasek man ti mangikur-it Ababa a daniw para kadakayo ama ken ina nga inmak ipatapetag Kas pangyebkasko nahayag puso inna iyay-ayek-ek Kabayaran pananggit-utobko aytat ken sacrispisoyo awan makadaeg

Rigat, tuok inkayoman intured Gapu't ayaty adal kadakami maikawes Puya, pudio ken lam-ek inkay sinaranget Awaman laeng inkay pinagkitakiit

Wen, patpatgenmi nga ama ken ina Puspusomi nakayuyug dagita Dawatmi Apotayo a Namarsua Bendision nga aglaplapusan, kadakayo itdenna koma.

Kapit Lang
Imari G. Talaza
Faculty, Information Technology

Wala namang taong hindi nahihirapan, Kanya-kanyang diskarte lang iyan Kung pakiramdam mo, pasuko ka na Tumingin ka sa itaas, may sasandalan ka pa Huwag mong ikumpara ang buhay mo sa iba Ang importante, sa bawat hirap, nakatatawa ka pa Maging ang Diyos, humag mong sisihin Madali lang 'yan, huwag mong dibdibin Nagyon, nahihirapan ka, tila wala nang pag-asap Malay mo bukas, ginhawa ang 'yong matatamasa Kapit lang, kaya mo 'yan, ikaw pa!

Alsong ni Nanang
Filipinas M. Gasalao
Faculty, Teacher Education

Anian a naggintas a lagipen Idi awan pay la pagay a gagapason Tiempo panagaani, taatoo's masapul nat rakem Tapno ti pagay agbalin nga apuyen.

Ngarud nakasereserbi unay ti alsong ni nanang Kas metla kaserbi tay al-o ni tatang Ta no saanda nga aglanggay Saan a rumwar tay bagas ti pagay.

Umuma taltagen, samunto itar-apen Santo rumwaren tay pagaayat da tatang ken nanangen Tay agbayo masapul na't al-o ken alsongen A paborito da nga ar-aramiden.

Ala sige bayo, bayo, bayo, ken bayo manen Uray da la agkaliten-etenan Kalpasanna inda manen yokayaken Kasta met a taepan tapno itta inda ikkaten.

Nasken met nga inda apinanen tay bang a pagapuyanen Kadanggay nanto metten tay ruting a pagsungrud diay dalikanen Santo sangkapamilya aggsasango a monganen Timpuyog ken ayat ti tunggal maysa indanton lak-amen.
Training-Workshop of AACCUP Accreditors

Dr. Rodolfo C. Moreno attended the Training Workshop of AACCUP Accreditors on Outcomes-Based Quality Assurance held at RET Conference Hall, Central Luzon State University (CLSU), Science City of Muñoz, Nueva Ecija on April 27-29, 2015.

The 111 participants coming exclusively from Luzon have undergone a series of laborious workshop and examination. Dr. Manuel T. Corpus, Founding President and Executive Director of the Accrediting Agency of Chartered Colleges and Universities in the Philippines (AACCUP), Inc., welcomed the accreditors, gave a briefing, organized teams, presented the training procedures and discussed the CHED-Initiated Outcomes-Based Quality Assurance System. He also highlighted in his discussions the importance of team organization and management, courtesy call, the opening program, the dress code and professionalism.

Dr. Nenita I. Prado, AACCUP Training Director for Mindanao, and Director of the Office of Admission, Scholarship and Placement of Central Mindanao University, thoroughly discussed on the need for the familiarization with the new instrument for accreditation and the new rating system. Workshop followed and the participants were required to accomplish the new accreditation instrument.

The workshop on the new rating system was continued during the second day. After summing this up, a regular team consultation meeting and team decision-making, the presentation of team reports, the conduct of an exit conference and closing program were facilitated by Dr. Mario S. Suba, the Training Director for Luzon and the CLSU University Accreditation Coordinator. Another workshop was conducted and it was concerned with filling up of the matrix table regarding the "strong points" and the "weak points" being observed during the actual accreditation visit.

The third day of the training was scheduled for a rigid examination. The participants were made to answer the 60-item multiple-choice type of test within one hour. The evaluation of the training conducted and the validation of the program instrument were the last activities done in the training-workshop. (Rodolfo C. Moreno)

Mendoza in the Public Sector Unionism

Mr. Alex Q. Mendoza, President of the Faculty Association, attended the CSC-PSLMC Zonal Orientation on Public Sector Unionism (PSU), Social Dialogue (SD) and International Labor Organization Convention 151 (ILO C151) Batch 4 at Albergo Hotel, Villamor Drive, Baguio City on May 6-8, 2015.

A Social Dialogue was conducted by the speaker from the Civil Service Commission. After the SD, lectures on Negotiation Skills and Techniques followed and the whole afternoon ended with a discussion on Public Sector Unionism.

In the morning of May 7, 2015, the ILO Convention was held. It followed with a signature campaign for the ILO to be approved by the government. And in the afternoon, workshop was held. There was a Regional Consultation for Labor Issues and Concerns, after which, a presentation on the National Workers Congress was done.

The election of regional representatives in the National Workers Congress was done late in the afternoon and NLPSC-FA was chosen as one of the representatives for Region I. (AQM)

ESGP-PA Zonal Assembly

Mr. Samson C. Nisperos, Coordinator for Student Affairs and Concurrent Guidance Counselor; Mrs. Lorebel S. Domingo, Registrar and Coordinator for Scholarship; and Mrs. Alpha Gonzalo, staff of the Accountig Office, attended the Expanded Students Grant-in Program for Poverty Alleviation (ESGP-PA) Zonal Assembly for CAR, Regions I, II and III at the Function Hall of the College of Teacher Education, Benguet State University, La Trinidad, Benguet, on June 30, 2015.

There were 29 SUCs coming from the four regions in the country that converged during the assembly. In attendance were the ESGP-PA Project Management Office chairmen and staff members who reported on their best practices, financial status and challenges that they met in their ESGP-PA programs. Mr. Nisperos presented the report of NLPS.

Representatives from the regional offices of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), and the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) were involved in the presentation of reports from the participating SUCs. (Samson C. Nisperos)

Administration with 241 students and the Certificate in Midwifery with 99 students.

The overwhelming performance of the graduates of NLPSC in the board examinations is presumed to provide a leading edge for an anticipated double increase in the total number of enrollees within a few years. (Lorebel S. Domingo)

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In its breakdown, the BS in Business Administration shares the largest enrollment of 689 students followed by the BS in Criminology with 606 students. The BS in Computer Science has 526 students, Bachelor of Secondary Education with 328 students, Bachelor of Elementary Education with 287 students, Bachelor of Arts with 251 students, BS in Office
Banasen, Mina attend PhilCSI Training

Ms. Donabelle D. Banasen and Mrs. Aurelyn S. Mina, both faculty members of the Criminal Justice Education Department, attended the training for Criminology mentors spearheaded by the Philippine Criminalistics Society Inc. (PhilCSI) in Baguio City on May 24-30, 2015.

Facilitated by Dr. Darlito Bernard Delizo, the participants of the weeklong training were divided into six major areas: Forensic Ballistics, Forensic Chemistry, Dactyloscopy, Forensic Photography, Polygraphy and Questioned Document. Mrs. Mina was grouped in Forensic Ballistics as its specialization while Ms. Banasen, in Polygraphy. A simultaneous lecture for every specialization was done from May 25-27.

On May 26, 2015, the participants were grouped into six (6) Scene of the Crime Operation (SOCO) Teams and required to perform investigation tasks in their own field of specialization during the simulation of the Crime Scene Investigation. The performance of each group was given corresponding ratings as part of participants’ final grade in the training.

On May 29, 2015, the trainees participated in the MOOT Trial as the final requirement in the training. They were made as expert witnesses to testify along their field of specialization and underwent direct and cross examination by different lawyers assigned to them.

The graduation of the trainees was set on May 30, 2015. Participants who successfully completed and passed the requirements of the training were given certificates of completion. When the training finally concluded, Ms. Banasen was awarded Top 3 in her field of specialization – polygraphy.

(Donabelle D. Banasen)

Sports and Cultural Directors’ National Training

Mr. Rico G. Gagto, Coordinator for Sports; and Mrs. Erna C. Cabañero, Coordinator for Culture and Arts, attended the Nationa Training-Workshop for SUC Sports and Cultural Directors at CrownRegency Residences, Guadalupe, Cebu City on May 19-21, 2015.

The Operation Manuals of the PASUC Cultural and SCUAA Competitions were tackled during the three-day training and workshop. They organized the Management Committees of the annual SCUAA National Olympics competition and the Socio-Cultural Competitions. These committees had their simultaneous meetings and they revised, updated and amended the current PASUC Cultural/SCUAA Competition Guidelines. (Rico G. Gagto)

ASCU-SN Summer Olympics 2015 held at Benguet State University

New Faculty Members of NLPSC with HRMO designate Mrs. Dhana B. Malamion

The Student Government officers for SY 2015-2015