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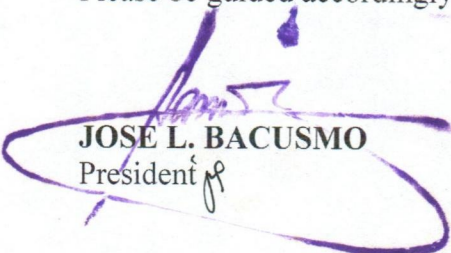
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T O:	Dr. Monina M. Escalada	- Chairperson
	Dr. Lelita R. Gonzal	- Member
	Dr. Ruben M. Gapasin	- Member
	Dr. Candelario L. Calibo	- Member
	Ms. Norma V. Cala	- Member
	Ms. Teresita L. Quiñanola	- Member
	Mr. Florentino F. Morales, Jr.	- Student Representative, Member

R E: Nomination and Awards Committee

With Dr. Monina M. Escalada as Chairperson and the rest as members, please constitute yourselves into the Nomination and Awards Committee which will screen, review and evaluate nominees to be awarded during the VSU Anniversary. Also the committee is further tasked to nominate VSU faculty and staff for external awards.

Please be guided accordingly.


JOSE L. BACUSMO
President

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Republic of the Philippines
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COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

MEMORANDUM FROM THE CHAIRMAN

For : All CHED Regional Office Directors
Presidents of Public and Private Higher Education Institutions

Subject: **2008 METROBANK FOUNDATION SEARCH FOR
OUTSTANDING TEACHERS**

Date: 19 November 2007

1. The Metrobank Foundation, Inc. (MBFI), in cooperation with the Department of Education (DepEd), announces the launching of the **2008 Search for Outstanding Teachers**. Now on its 24th year, the Search has awarded a total of 266 outstanding teachers from public and private schools all over the country.
2. The Search bestows honor upon the teaching profession by according special recognition to teachers who manifest profound commitment to the development of the youth through exemplary competence, remarkable dedication to their work and effective educational leadership. It singles out teachers who have made a significant contribution to national development by raising the quality of outcomes of education through their effective, innovative and creative teaching strategies, materials and devices and their admirable efforts to bring the school closer to the community and consequently, the community to the school, thereby providing models of excellence in the teaching profession.
3. The Search is open to teachers who are Filipino citizens with full load in the elementary and secondary schools, and colleges/universities or higher education institutions, who have been actively teaching in the Philippines for the last 10 years (inclusive of leaves not exceeding three years, provided the nominee is not on leave, i.e., actually teaching at the time of nomination). However, the nominee must not be on leave for more than two years immediately prior to nomination. Each school is entitled to one nominee for each category.
4. Average performance ratings for the last five (5) years should at least be "Very Satisfactory" with no rating below "Satisfactory". For those who have been on official/study leave or on secondment, performance ratings for five years closest to the period of nomination should be provided.
5. For the higher education category, nominees should at least have a master's degree. In this case, degree holders in law and medicine are considered to possess a master's degree.
6. The following are also qualified to join, provided they meet the specific requirements:

- a) Deans, vice-deans, directors, chairpersons of departments, teacher-librarians and other similar administrative positions, provided they carry a teaching load of at least 50% of the total unit load required by the nominating school for the school year.
 - b) College/university teachers with research or extension assignments and other administrative duties, provided they carry an actual teaching load of at least 50% of the total unit load required by the school for the school year.
 - c) College/university teachers teaching with full load in the graduate school level during the nomination period.
7. School heads (Presidents for colleges/universities or Chancellors for autonomous campuses) are the only ones authorized to nominate teachers to the Search. State universities and colleges (SUCs) with satellite campuses, which are not autonomous, are entitled to one nominee per category. To ensure that whoever chosen is really the best candidate, SUCs are therefore encouraged to conduct preliminary screening of all nominees from the satellite schools.
 8. The nominators are required to accomplish and sign the nomination forms with the complete required attachments (one original copy and three (3) photocopies) and submit them directly or send them by registered mail to Metrobank Foundation, 15th Floor, Metrobank Plaza, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue, Makati City, or to any Metrobank Branch nearest to the nominee's school. *"Please do not send the supporting documents yet"*. The deadline for submission of the nomination forms shall be on or before **February 11, 2008**. Nominations sent by mail should be postmarked on or before the same date.
 9. For 2008, winners of outstanding teacher-related awards conducted by reputable organizations at the national and international levels are deemed automatic second-round qualifiers, provided they meet the basic eligibility requirements of tenure, performance and teaching load and passed levels of screening. Awards to be considered are only those at the level the teacher is being nominated. Moreover, nominees must go through the usual nomination process and submit the duly-accomplished nomination forms and required attachments on or before the deadline. The school should nominate only one teacher in a given year even if there are several awardees from the same school.
 10. Other details are contained in the Search guidelines. These and the official Search nomination forms, brochures, and primers may be obtained from the Metrobank Foundation, any Metrobank branch, as well as, CHED offices in every region starting **December 2007**.
 11. Requests for additional forms, questions and suggestions may be addressed to Metrobank Foundation, 15th Floor, Metrobank Plaza, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Ave., Makati City, tel. nos. (02) 898-8898, 898-8855; telefax nos. 750-0837; 818-5656 or e-mail us at ldlabitad@metrobank.com.ph; aareyes@metrobank.com.ph.
 12. Nomination of the best mentors in your area and dissemination of the Search nomination forms and other materials are hereby directed to all concerned.



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