

Republic of the Philippines
VISAYAS STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE
Baybay, Leyte

Minutes of the 3rd Board Meeting held on March 6, 1975 at the
Office of the Coordinator of State Universities and Colleges.

PRESENT:

Hon. Vedasto G. Suarez Assistant Secretary, DEC	- Acting Chairman
Hon. Lauro A. Castillo District Officer Bureau of Lands	- Member
Hon. Cledualdo B. Perez, Jr. Dean, UPLBCA	- Member
Hon. Fernando A. Bernardo President, ViSCA	- Member
Mr. Susano C. Faelnar College Secretary, ViSCA	- Board Secretary



OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Teofilo N. Montemayor
Coordinator of State Universities
and Colleges

Dr. Cesar C. Jesena, Jr.
Vice-President for Development and
External Affairs, ViSCA

ABSENT:

Hon. Jesus Alix
Acting Director, BAEcon

Hon. Rufino D. Ayaso, Jr.
Provincial Agriculturist, BAEx - Sent a letter of excuse to
Pres. Bernardo for his
inability to attend the meeting
on doctor's advice.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 12:40 p.m.

1 I. The minutes of the meeting held on November 7, 1974 was
2 approved after correcting a typographical error on page 3,
3 line 49 of the amount from "P100,000" to "P10,000" in
4 connection with actual and necessary representation expenses.

5 II. Taking the hint of the Chairman, President Bernardo suggested
6 that action on the approval of the ViSCA Five-Year Development
7 Program be deferred to allow ample time for the Board to go
8 over it.

9 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED, including the President's
10 request that he be permitted to show it to the World Bank team
11 that is visiting the College this month, although its consideration
12 has been deferred.

13 III. The revised curricula in BSA, BSAGDE and BSHE and the new Ag.
14 Eng'g. curriculum were discussed. The President gave a summary
15 of the rationale behind the revision and answered queries on
16 course offerings, numbering, etc. Board Members Perez and
17 Castillo suggested that they be approved in toto for implementation
18 inasmuch as the real change is not a substantial departure from
19 the course offering of UPLB, with some modifications to suit
20 local conditions and needs, and to enable President Bernardo to
21 go ahead with the printing of brochures for dissemination before
22 the opening of the school year.

23 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED without prejudice to taking
24 up the other items in the program during the next Board meeting.

25 IV. The President presented a list of candidates for graduation with
26 the degrees of BSA, BSAGEd and BSAH for the school year
27 1974-75.

28 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED including those in the BSA
29 whose thesis manuscripts shall have been finished before the
30 date of graduation on March 15, 1975.

31 V. The revised college diploma was presented by the President.

32 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED with the suggestion of the
33 Chairman that the recommendation by the "faculty" be changed
34 to "**College Council**" (Kalupunan ng mga Guro).

- 1 VI. The Board went over the proposed 1975 Summer Vacation
2 Classes, especially on letters C and D (Rules for Course
3 Offerings and Rates of Payment for Summer Teaching).

4 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED.

- 5 VII. The ViSCA 1975-76 Academic Calendar was presented by the
6 President.

7 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED with the deletion of the
8 date for "Midterm Examination" and specifying instead the
9 last day for submission of midterm grades.

- 10 VIII. The ad interim appointments of Directors Bascug and Ancheta
11 and Superintendent Duatin were taken up.

12 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED with an increase in the
13 honorarium of the Physical Plant Superintendent from ₱1800 to
14 ₱2400 annually upon representation of President Bernardo.

- 15 IX. The Board went over the proposed new appointments of
16 Dr. Benjamin Mahilum, Dr. Paulita Mahilum and Mr. Oscar
17 Colis.

18 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED with the correction
19 suggested by the Chairman that "new appointments" be reworded
20 "ad interim appointments" to legalize payment of their salaries
21 retroactive on the effective dates of their first day of service.

- 22 X. President Bernardo presented the ViSCA Entrance Scholarship
23 (1975-76) and explained the reasons for adding item No. 7 that
24 was not found in the copies furnished to the Board.

25 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED with the following modifi-
26 cations:

- 27 1. Item No. 6 - Change the grade point average of 1.75 to 2.0
28 as suggested by Board Member Perez.

- 29 2. Item No. 7 - a. Revise "Deserving sons and daughters of
30 farmers ... from rural high schools" to read "Poor but
31 deserving students from secondary schools" as suggested
32 by the Chairman and Board Member Castillo to eliminate
33 the discriminatory provision. As to how poor the parents
34 are, Mr. Montemayor suggested that the policy and
35 criteria of the State Scholarship Council be adopted.

- 1 b. Change "FULL SCHOLARSHIP" to "the same privileges
- 2 given to scholars" and call this study-grant as Board
- 3 Member Perez termed it.
- 4 c. Since the grade requirement to qualify in the competitive
- 5 examination for this grant is flexible, President Bernardo
- 6 recommended that only those who belong to the upper
- 7 25% of the graduating class be considered.

8 XI. The President presented the ViSCA Faculty Fellowship which he

9 explained is in line with the College faculty development program.

10 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED with the following amendments:

- 11 1. Criterion for selection on age - For Ph. D. the recommended
- 12 age bracket is between 35 to 45; for M. S. between 30 to 40.
- 13 2. On stipend and other privileges - Change "with children" to
- 14 "married" and "without children" to "single."
- 15 3. On responsibilities of the grantee - a. Item No. 4: Regarding
- 16 the maintenance of a semestral grade point average, Board
- 17 Member Castillo commented that this be included in the
- 18 contract for the grantee to understand that he loses the
- 19 fellowship if he fails to maintain the standard.
- 20 b. That the choice of the institution where the grantee
- 21 plans to enrol be approved by the College.
- 22 c. Item No. 6 - To delete the provision "or pay ViSCA
- 23 3 times" but to be incorporated in the contract.

24 XII. The College seal was presented by the President who explained

25 the meanings of the words "Truth, Relevance, Knowledge and

26 Work," including the interlinks and arrows.

27 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED with the addition of 1974,

28 the year ViSCA became a state college, opposite 1924 when it

29 was first established but enclosed in parenthesis for historical

30 reason.

31 XIII. President Bernardo presented the budget for the Manila Office

32 and justified its establishment with the support of Board

33 Members Perez and Castillo and Mr. Montemayor.

34 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED after a lengthy discussion.

- 1 XIV. The Board went over a house plan designed by EDPITAF for the
2 construction of three 4-door apartment houses for the staff with
3 the information from the President that an amount of ₱600,000
4 for this purpose has already been released.

5 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED.

- 6 XV. The proposed daily rates were reviewed and discussed by the
7 Board.

8 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED with the following slight
9 changes in the rates of the position level:

- 10 1. No. 2 - from ₱10.45 to ₱10.50
11 2. No. 3 - from ₱12.10 to ₱12.00
12 3. No. 4 - from ₱13.75 to ₱13.50
13 4. No. 5 - from ₱12.50 to ₱15.50
14 5. No. 6 - from ₱17.05 to ₱17.00
15 6. No. 7 - from ₱18.70 to ₱18.50

16 XVI. Other Matters

- 17 1. The letter of Supt. Duatin recommending a salary increase for
18 the item of Heavy Equipment Operator was presented by the
19 President for consideration.

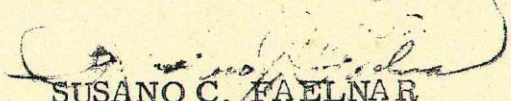
20 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED with the advice to use the
21 5th step of the WAPCO range of this item.

- 22 2. The President presented the application of Mr. Golez relative
23 to organizing a band, a choral group, etc. in ViSCA for cultural
24 purposes and informed the Board of his qualifications as a
25 musician.

26 BOARD ACTION: APPROVED with the condition that he be
27 hired not as a consultant but on a contractual basis with a starting
28 salary of ₱400 a month.

There being no other matter to be taken up, the Chairman
adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:


SUSANO C. FAELNAR
Board Secretary

ATTESTED AS CORRECTED:

(SGD.) VEDASTO G. SUAREZ
Acting Chairman