

VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY

6521-A Visca, City of Baybay, Leyte, Philippines

BOR RESOLUTION NO. 61, s. 2008

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE INCREASE IN HONORARIUM OF STUDY GUIDE WRITERS, REVIEWERS AND EDITORS EFFECTIVE 2nd SEMESTER, SCHOOL YEAR 2008-2009

WHEREAS, the Leyte State University was created by virtue of Republic Act 9158 which converted the then Visayas State College of Agriculture (ViSCA) into a state university last 11 August 2001 and was later renamed Visayas State University (VSU) by virtue of R.A. 9437;

WHEREAS, Section 7 of R.A. 9158 specifically empowers the Board of Regents of the University to exercise all the powers granted to the Board of Directors of a corporation under Section 36 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 68, otherwise known as the Corporate Code of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, among other powers granted to the Board of Regents is the power "to enact rules and regulations, not contrary to law, as may be necessary to carry out the purposes and functions of the University" as stipulated in Item (a) Section 7 of R.A. 9158;

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents is further empowered "to receive and appropriate all sums as may be provided, for the support of the University in the manner it may determine, in its discretion, to carry out the purposes and functions of the University" as stipulated in Item (b), Section 7 of R.A. 9158;

WHEREAS, there is a need to increase the honorarium of study guide writers, reviewers and editors considering the efforts spent on writing, reviewing and editing the materials outside of working;

WHEREAS, the University Administrative Council unanimously approved "the increase in the honorarium of study guide writers, reviewers and editors considering the efforts spent on writing, reviewing and editing the materials outside of working effective in the 2nd Semester, School Year 2008-2009" during the 72nd UADCO Meeting held last 19 September at the 2nd Floor of the Center for Continuing Education, VSU Main Campus, Visca, City of Baybay, Leyte.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED to approve the increase in the honorarium of study guide writers, reviewers and editors considering the efforts spent on writing, reviewing and editing the materials outside of working hours effective in the 2nd Semester, School Year 2008-2009.

IN WITNESS of our approval thereof, we hereby affix our signatures this 8th day of October 2008 at Visayas State University, Visca, Baybay, Leyte.

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PROPOSAL TO INCREASE THE HONORARIUM OF STUDY GUIDE WRITERS, REVIEWERS AND EDITORS

Rationale

The graduate distance education program of the Visayas State University is an innovative learning scheme designed to enable individuals to pursue graduate studies for professional growth. It is an alternative learning scheme to the traditional educational delivery system and is aimed for clients who do not have time to attend the conventional school system. Since 1995, it has been offered under the Master of Agricultural Development (M.Ag.Dev.) as well as Master of Science (M.S.) programs with financial assistance coming from the New Zealand government. Since the implementation of distance education at VSU, only few study guides have been produced and revision of these study guides has not also been done regularly.

In 1998, the ViSCA Board of Trustees passed BOT Resolution No. 79, s. 1998 granting cash incentives to Open University study guide writers and editors. In today's standard, the amount is already small considering the efforts spent on writing these materials outside of regular working hours. It is therefore, proposed that the honorarium for study guide writers be increased to encourage faculty members to develop more instructional materials for distance learners and revise the existing old ones. The honorarium shall be taken from the proceeds of the study guides.

Table 1. Rate in revising and production of study guides

Role	EXISTING (P)		PROPOSED (P)	
	New	Revision	New	Revision
Writer/Compiler	3,000.00	800.00	4,500.00	1,200.00
Reviewer	800.00	500.00	1,200.00	750.00
Editor	500.00	500.00	750.00	750.00