



**MINUTES OF THE 73<sup>rd</sup> BOR MEETING**

29 March 2016

CHED Chairperson's Conference Room  
CHED Central Office, C.P. Garcia Ave.,  
UP Diliman, Diliman, Quezon City

**Present:**

**Hon. Maria Cynthia Rose B. Bautista** ..... Chairperson-Designate  
Commissioner, Commission of Higher Education

**Hon. Edgardo E. Tulin** ..... Vice Chairman  
President, Visayas State University

**Hon. Pia S. Cayetano** ..... Member  
Chairperson, Senate Committee on Education, Arts and Culture  
Senate of the Philippines  
*Represented by Mr. Emmanuel R. De Guia*

**Hon. Roman T. Romulo** ..... Member  
Chairperson, House Committee on Higher and Technical Education  
House of Representatives  
*Represented by Atty. Marlon Pablo G. Mercado*

**Regent Leo P. Cañeda** ..... Member  
Regional Executive Director  
Department of Agriculture Regional Office VIII

**Hon. Deogracias E. Pernitez** ..... Member  
Vice President, VSU Federated Alumni Association

**Regent Luz O. Moreno** ..... Member  
President, VSU Federated Faculty Association

**Regent Dexter C. Relevo** ..... Member  
President, Federated University Supreme Student Council

**Regent Roy Bernard C. Fiel** ..... Member  
Private Sector Representative

**Regent Joel R. Caminade** ..... Member  
Private Sector Representative

**Not Present:**

**Regent Bonifacio G. Uy** ..... Member  
Regional Executive Director  
NEDA Regional Office VIII

**Others Present:**

**Mr. Daniel M. Tudtud, Jr.** ..... Board Secretary  
Board Secretary V

**Ms. Vivian V. Balbarino** ..... Administrative Officer  
Administrative Officer III - *Office of the Board Secretary*

**Ms. Cyril Wendy V. Maaño** ..... Executive Assistant  
Executive Assistant V - *Office of Comm. Maria Cynthia Rose L. Bautista*

1. BOR Investigation Committee Report on the Claire Larzen Z. Tello Case

President Tulin informed the Board that he looked over the report of the BOR Investigation Committee. It was well presented and what was important was that the Report contained recommendations which outline what needs to be approved by the Board.

Chairperson Bautista decided to give the Regents five (5) minutes to go over the Report with special emphasis on the Recommendations since these need to be approved by the Board.

After the five (5) minute period, the Hon. Chair inquired if there were any questions.

Regent Relevo clarified the statement of Ms. Tello indicated as *Item vvv* on Page 11, to wit: *“Defendant has been receiving threatening messages via facebook from Mr. Dexter Relevo, incumbent Student Regent, sometime between June and August 2015, that: Defendant will be sued in court; stripped of her degree; and be required to pay P200,000.00 in order for her to claim her Transcript of Records (TOR) and Diploma.”* The Student Regent clarified that that he was “instructed by the University Investigation Committee to inform Ms. Tello the result of the Investigation made by the University Investigation Committee.

Regent Mercado inquired from the Student Regent whether he had proof that it was really the University Investigation Committee that instructed him to send those messages and secondly, whether he also had proof on how he was instructed by the Committee to send the aforementioned messages.

Regent Relevo informed the Board that all the instruction from the investigation Committee were all verbal instructions.

Regent Mercado pointed out that in the absence of proof, the *“authority given by the University Investigation Committee to Regent Relevo”* can be construed to be heresay.

Chairperson Bautista commented that the University Committee was not very careful about its procedures. Although the Philippines has a very oral culture, it is important that instructions from a formal body should be duly documented.

Regent Relevo raised the issue that he is just a representative of the Student Council and that the decision on this case should emanate from the whole USSC and not just from him. The Student Regent indicated that he would like to have a meeting with President Tulin, Dr. Bacusmo and the present USSC Officers together with the Board Secretary this coming 02 April 2016 to hear the suggestions of the USSC Officers and hear their opinions especially on the payment of the P200,000.00.

The Hon. Chair clarified that the Student Regent can indeed seek the opinions and suggestions of the other officers of the USSC, but this is already at the level of the Board of Regents which is way above the decision-making level of the student council.

Chairperson Bautista directed President Tulin to convene a meeting of the USSC and Dr. Bacusmo to thresh out the details.

Regent Mercado moved for the adoption of the Recommendations of the BOR Investigation Committee, as presented.

Chairperson Bautista inquired if there were any objections.

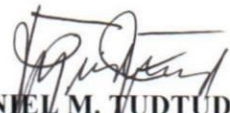
No other objection was raised.

The Board unanimously passed

#### **BOR RESOLUTION NO. 21, s. 2016**

**A Resolution approving the adoption of the recommendations made by the BOR Investigation Committee, as presented and directed President Edgardo E. Tulin to convene a meeting between the USSC Officers and Dr. Jose L. Bacusmo to thresh out the details.**

*Attested True and Correct:*

  
**DANIEL M. TUDTUD, JR.**  
Board Secretary V





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December 3, 2016

**Dr. Edgardo E. Tulin**  
President  
Visayas State University, Baybay City


Dear **Dr. Tulin**:

This is to follow up my earlier request for a resolution on the Php 200,000 loan from ViFARD which the undersigned made in behalf of the University Supreme Student Council. I have sent a letter of request to your office about a year ago but since then, the undersigned has not received any information regarding BOR's action if there was any.

Anticipating your kind consideration to this request.

Respectfully yours.

  
**JOSE L. BACUSMO**  
University Professor

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VP Tadtad,

Pls. provide

Dr. Bacusmo the  
resolution.

Thanks.

