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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 199th REGULAR BOARD MEETING (FIRST QUARTER BOARD MEETING, C.Y. 2023) OF THE WESTERN MINDANAO STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS HELD AT THE COLLEGE OF HOME ECONOMICS FUNCTION ROOM, WESTERN MINDANAO STATE UNIVERSITY, NORMAL ROAD, BALIWASAN, ZAMBOANGA CITY ON FEBRUARY 22, 2023, AT 1:00 P.M.

RESOLUTION NO. 34
Series of 2023

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSED INCLUSION OF THE STUDY OF PHILIPPINE CONSTITUTION AS A SEPARATE SUBJECT IN ALL CURRICULA OF THE UNIVERSITY EFFECTIVE FIRST SEMESTER, SCHOOL YEAR 2023-2024

WHEREAS, the Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Nursia M. Barjose presented to the Board of Regents the proposal to include the study of the Philippine Constitution as a separate subject in all curricula of the University;

WHEREAS, the basis for the inclusion of the study of Philippine Constitution in all curricula of the University is the provision under the 1987 Philippine Constitution, to wit:

“All educational institutions shall include the study of the Constitution as part of the curricula.”

– Article XIV, Section 3, Paragraph 1

WHEREAS, the goal of studying the Philippine Constitution is to instill patriotism and nationalism in the youth. By learning their basic law, the youth will develop a greater respect for human rights, a greater appreciation for their government, and a greater understanding of their own role in the great task of nation-building, and thus become socially responsible and useful citizens;

WHEREAS, the proposal was endorsed by the University Academic Council through Academic Council Resolution No. 31, Series of 2018;

WHEREAS, in a letter dated January 14, 2021, the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) Regional Office IX, through its OIC-Regional Director Dr. Rody P. Garcia, informed the University President Dr. Ma. Carla A. Ochotorena that the Regional Office does not interpose objection on the incorporation of study of Philippine Constitution in all college programs, provided that the following shall be met: (1) It supports the vision and mission of the institution; (2) The Academic Council has approved the incorporation of the course across

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all programs in the institution; and (3) The Board of Regents has approved the incorporation of the course across all programs in the institution;

WHEREAS, the University has complied with all the conditions set forth by the CHED Regional Office IX in the inclusion of the study of Philippine Constitution in all its college programs;

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents deliberated and discussed the Proposed Inclusion of the Study of Philippine Constitution as a Separate Subject in All Curricula as attached in Annex "N" of the Agenda Folder as part and parcel of this resolution;

WHEREAS, the inclusion of the study of the Philippine Constitution in all curricula of the University shall be effective First Semester of School Year 2023-2024;

WHEREAS, as a collatilla to this resolution, the Board of Regents directed the University to secure the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) Regional Office IX's notation;

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of Regent Emmylou B. Yanga and duly seconded by Regent Regent Adrian P. Semorlan, **BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, that the Board of Regents hereby **APPROVES THE PROPOSED INCLUSION OF THE STUDY OF PHILIPPINE CONSTITUTION AS A SEPARATE SUBJECT IN ALL CURRICULA OF THE UNIVERSITY EFFECTIVE FIRST SEMESTER, SCHOOL YEAR 2023-2024.**

DONE this 22nd day of February 2023 in Zamboanga City, Philippines.

I hereby certify the veracity and authenticity of the foregoing.


ASSO. PROF. AL-GHANI D. MOHAMMAD
University and Board Secretary

Attested:


MA. CARLA A. OCHOTORENA, RN, Ph.D.
University President

