



CNSC collaborates with DBM for IT system projects



CNSC Pres. Rusty Abanto with DBM RO V Director Renato de Vera during the MOA signing for the design and development of DBM A2A system project which include iPAMS and eCRASS application softwares (Photo Credit- Director Renato de Vera)

Rusty G. Abanto, PhD, President of Camarines Norte State College (CNSC) and Renato de Vera, MNSA, CESO III of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) signed a Memorandum of Agreement for the design and development of two application softwares; Internet Based Project Accomplishment Monitoring System (iPAMS) and an Electronic Client Registration and Satisfaction Survey (eCRASS) on January 31, 2020. The MOA signing is one of the highlights of the Budget Forum for the National Government Agencies (NGAs) and State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) held at the DBM Regional Office V, Rawis, Legazpi City.

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CNSC's initiatives to combat COVID 19

COVID 19 Outbreak: SUCs Initiative

CNSC MOVES AS ONE TO HELP FIGHT COVID-19

- Complied / Supported guidelines issued by authorities
- Disseminated information through different media
- Volunteered expert services by CNSC employees
- Provided materials to make improvised PPE to frontline service providers

We need COOPERATION, OBEDIENCE, SOLIDARITY and COMPASSION to heal as ONE!

In line with the declaration of State of Health Emergency throughout the country and to support government's efforts to fight COVID-19 pandemic, the Camarines Norte State College initiated efforts to control the spread of the virus.

The administration actively cooperated with the Provincial Government and expressed its commitment to adhere to all government's efforts and issuances.

Immediately, upon President Duterte's issuance of Presidential Proclamation No. 922, CNSC President, Dr. Rusty G. Abanto, issued AO 17 and AO 19, the Guidelines to fight

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DOST-PCAARRD evaluates Queen Pineapple Project 5



The DOST-PCAARRD Review Team headed by OIC-ARMRD Director Adoracion B. Armada with CNSC Pres. Rusty Abanto and Queen Pineapple Project Leader Ms. Michelle Carbonell during the Terminal Review of the "Development of Various Products from Queen Pineapple Wastes"

The Department of Science and Technology-Philippine Council for Agriculture, Aquatic and Natural Resources Research and Development (DOST-PCAARRD) through its Agricultural Resources Management Research Division (ARMRD) conducted Terminal Review for the Project "Development of Various Products from Queen Pineapple Wastes" at Camarines Norte State College (CNSC) on February 11, 2020. Said project is one of the components of the program, "Enhancing Productivity and Marketability of Queen

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BFHE helps victims of Taal Volcano Eruption

Batangas City - Some victims of Taal Volcano eruption in Batangas City specifically in Barangay Agoncillo received assistance from the Bicol Foundation for Higher Education (BFHE) in collaboration with the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) during its recently concluded relief operation on February 18.

Labelled as “Tabang Para sa mga Biktima kan Taal” (aids to the victims of taal), the initiative to help the victims was a collaborative effort of CHED, Bicol HEIs through BFHE. The relief operation was participated by no less than CHED Commissioner Aldrin Darilag, CHED RO V Director Freddie Bernal, NSTP Region V Focal Person Manuel Mendoza, BFHE/CNSC President Rusty Abanto, BFHE Executive Director Ma. Angela Pioquinto, BFHE Treasurer/MPCF Pres. Marilissa Ampuan and her staff, CBSUA Pres. Alberto Naperi, PSU-NSTP Director Maria Aurora Caballero together with the representatives of CHED IVA Director Amelia Biglete.

The BFHE team headed to Agoncillo College Inc. to officially turn over cash donation amounting to 250,000 to its President Atty. King Martinez. Said college was recommended by CHED IVA



BFHE team composed of CHED Commissioner Aldrin Darilag, CHED RO V Director Freddie Bernal, BFHE President Rusty Abanto with representatives of BFHE member institutions turning over to Agoncillo College Inc. Pres. Atty. King Martinez a cash donation amounting to 250,000 and relief packs of assorted items to 1000 residents of Brgy. Agoncillo for the BFHEs social responsibility project tagged as “Tabang Para sa mga Biktima kan Taal”

as the hardest hit HEI in the province. The team also delivered donations to Barangay Agoncillo as identified by the Office of Civil Defense for being the most affected barangay in the area. They distributed 1000 packs of assorted items which include rice, hygiene kits (toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, bath and laundry soap, face towel, tissue paper, sanitary napkins and baby diapers) mineral water, assorted relief goods (noodles, canned goods, powdered milk, sugar, coffee, biscuits, medicines, and writing materials), used clothing, and

sleeping kits.

BFHE Pres. Abanto said that the relief operation was able to reach hardly affected individuals in Barangay Agoncillo. He added that the relief effort is a social responsibility project to improve Bicol HEIs community relations and engagement by extending assistance especially to those who need support.

On the other hand, the beneficiaries were very grateful to BFHE as they received the donations.

(GA Delos Reyes)

CNSC holds 1st MOOC Camp Celebration of Learning in Camarines Norte



(1) CNSC MOOC Camp completers with Mr. Matthew Gleason (English Language Fellow) and Dr. Rosaile A. Almadrones (Vice-President for Academic Affairs); (2) CBI MOOC Camp Completers from Camarines Norte with Mr. Matthew Gleason (English Language Fellow), Dr. Rosalie A. Almadrones (VPAA, CNSC) and Mrs. Emma V. Dasco (EPS in English, DepEd Cams. Norte)

In support to the professional development of its employees through Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) Camp, the Camarines Norte State College (CNSC) hosted the Celebration of Learning of all MOOC Camp completers for the course, Content-Based Instruction (CBI) on January 12, 2020, at CNSC Amphitheater, Daet Camarines Norte. There are 125 completers from Camarines Norte composed of 64 completers (3

Deans/Campus Director, 48 faculty and 13 students) from CNSC, 47 secondary teachers from Department of Education (DepEd) Division of Camarines Norte, 9 students from Sta. Elena Camarines Norte College, Inc.(SECNCI) and 5 teachers from other private schools in the province.

Celebration of Learning is a simple graduation ceremony of all MOOC Camp completers. Certificates of Completion were awarded to all participants who successfully completed the CBI MOOC

and attended at least 75% of the meet-ups. Certificates of Appreciation were also awarded to the MOOC Camp facilitators and co-facilitators for organizing and facilitating the series of face-to-face sessions/meet-ups based on the MOOC. Host schools received the same certificate for hosting the camp. Participants' proof of completion and attendance submitted by the facilitator served as the basis for

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CAS gears up towards Excellence



Dr. Melanie D. Bacuno, CAS Dean presents the roadmap of the Medium-Term Development Plan designed to help realize CNSC's Road to UCaN while Planning Officer Ronaldo P. Dando gives recommendations and guides the CAS in polishing the MTDP; Ms. Jeselle T. Hernandez, CAS Planning Coordinator presents the flagship programs of CAS and its Priorities, Programs and Projects

True to its mantra of Enrich minds. Ignite Passions. Build communities, the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) thru the leadership of its Dean, Dr. Melanie D. Bacuño, schemed out its roadmap for its Medium-Term Development Plan (MTDP).

Covering the years of 2020 to 2024, CAS Planning Coordinator, Ms. Jeselle T. Hernandez, presented on February 20 the flagship programs of the College. These

include BS Biology, AB History, and AB Sociology as Level III (Phase 2) AACCUP Accredited programs Regional Research Conference AB English Language Studies as Level III (Phase 1) AACCUP Accredited program Impact Assessment for CASangga (CAS Extension Services) BS Biology, AB History, and AB Sociology as Level IV (Phase 1) AACCUP Accredited programs MA English and MA Sociology as New Program Offerings

Aside from these, specific Priorities, Programs, and Projects (PPAs) were also discussed. These include Faculty Development Program, Curriculum Development, Upgrading of Instructional Materials and Facilities, Participation in Research Conferences, Research Publication, Collaboration with Regional Organizations, Development and Implementation of Pollution Control and Sewage Management Plan, and Partnership with DENR for Disposal of Chemical Wastes.

The CAS MTDP was based on the CNSC StratPlan Excellence 2030 Goals with UCaN as a World-Class University as the major milestone. It is grounded on the Key Result Area of Internalization of Instruction, Development of Research Culture, Community Engagement and Partnership, and Environment and Physical Resource Management.

The plans and programs of the CAS were designed to help realize CNSC's Road to UCaN aspiration of living its mission towards excellence. **(MI Jalgalado)**

CNSC seals partnership with LGUs



Dr. Rusty Abanto with Barangay Captains of nine barangays of Daet and San Lorenzo Ruiz for the MOA Signing to seal partnership with LGUs on implementing CNSC extension programs



Camarines Norte State College (CNSC) through the Office of the Vice President for Research and Extension conducted Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) signing between CNSC and Local Government Units (LGUs) of Camarines Norte on March 6, 2020 at the College of Engineering Audio Visual Room, CNSC Main Campus, Daet, Camarines Norte.

The partnership is in line with CHED Mandate on SUCs Extension Services to sustainably work with communities to address their developmental needs and concerns and at the same time to implement the extension service function of the College. It is in accordance with existing CNSC research agenda

and approved extension programs Livelihood Initiatives for the Needy in the Grassroots to Alleviate Poverty (LINGAP) and Kolehiyo at Komunidad Katuwang sa Pag-unlad (KKK) under the agenda Delivering Inclusive Services through Knowledge Sharing and Application of Research-Based Technology to Empower Communities (DISKARTE).

The MOA stated that delivery units of CNSC are capable to provide technical assistance on basic literacy, health care, culture and arts, livelihood skills development, entrepreneurship and environmental conservation program. On the LGUs end, the barangays in partnership with CNSC will identify the training needs,

organize program planning, and assist CNSC in the identification of research studies to do the collaboration.

Pres. Rusty G. Abanto expressed appreciation for the presence of the barangay officials which he said is a manifestation of their willingness and interest to collaborate with CNSC. He mentioned that it is only upon conduct of a Training Needs Assessment (TNA) that the right intervention will be identified. He also emphasized that the College focused on interventions that will have an impact to the community. Further, that having different delivery units ensure that varied needs of the community can

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CNSC President hosts 3rd Usap Tayo, Puso sa Puso



Dr. Rusty Abanto conducting the "3rd Usap Tayo, Puso sa Puso" in all campuses of the college for an open line of communication among various stakeholders focusing his efforts to address the needs of the students, faculty and non-teaching personnel; a student representative clarifies concern about student welfare

The 3rd CNSC Usap Tayo, Puso sa Puso was conducted on February 3-6, 2020 led and hosted by the College President, Dr. Rusty G. Abanto in the continued efforts of Camarines Norte State College to strengthen cooperation between the administration and its constituents.

This 2020, the series of Usap Tayo was conducted on February 3 at the College of Education (CoEd), then at the Institute of Fisheries and Marine Sciences (IFMS) in Mercedes and at the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources (CANR) in Labo; February 4, at Entienza Campus in Sta. Elena, then at the College of Trades and Technology (COTT) in Jose Panganiban; February 5, at the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS), Institute of Computer Studies (ICS) and the College of Business and Public Administration (CBPA), College of Engineering (CoEng); February 6 was his dialogue with the General Support and Administrative Services (GASS) personnel and with the Graduate School (GS) students.

Usap Tayo is the brainchild by Dr. Abanto, as a forum to get inputs, feedbacks, issues and concerns from various stakeholders of the College.

This year's Usap Tayo focused on Dr. Abanto's presentation on the Road to UCaN: Living Our Mission Towards Excellence which included the Capital Investment for FY 2021, and Priority Projects; State Universities and Colleges (SUC) Levelling and the status of CNSC as a University; compliance with the recommendations by the Commission on Higher Education, Commission on Higher Technical Education (CHED-CHTE) on the conversion of the college as a university; Strategies on how to make CNSC a "World Class University"; and the Site Development Plan of the different campuses. He encouraged each campus to identify how they can contribute to the realization of the targets for 2020.

After each talk Pres. Abanto allowed attendees to ask, clarify and present their thoughts, issues and concerns. As

an outcome of the activity, common issues among campuses include the construction/improvement of facilities specifically comfort rooms to accommodate growing number of students, increase laboratory equipment, and provision of locker for faculty and staff.

He assured that some issues and concerns are already being addressed such as on-going construction of facilities, some needed provisions are already undergoing the procurement process and inclusion of student development as integral part of the plans.

Said "Usap Tayo: Puso sa Puso" activity is Pres. Abanto's distinct and personal advocacy as a leader and his effort to revitalize a more harmonious rapport with constituents, thus, leads to further accomplishments and greater productivity towards the attainment of the institution's vision.

(PICRO / NG Panotes)

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Pineapple, a DOST-PCAARRD funded program with Visayas State University (VSU) as the lead implementing agency.

The activity aims to determine significant findings and follow-through as an offshoot of R&D initiatives, identify technologies for intellectual property protection, extension, deployment and commercialization and generate information for dissemination to stakeholders as well as for possible analyses and advocacy.

CNSC President Rusty G. Abanto thanked the Review Team for the conclusion of the program where the

college can generate research output for dissemination. It also strengthens partnership with DOST- PCAARRD in the development of the institution's research culture.

Prof. Michelle S. Carbonell, Project Leader submitted to the DOST- PCAARRD the project Terminal Report prior to the visit and presented the Project Accomplishments of the Development of Various Products from QP Wastes which include the following components: Feedstock Coal from QP Peel, Waste Leaves and Debris (Queen's Coal), Effect of Queen Pineapple Bran as Feed Supplement to the Growth Performance of Camarines Strain Native Chicken, Instant Multi-Use Marinade Mix from Crude Bromelain Extracted from QP

Wastes. Prof. Carbonell serves as Project Leader with Ms. Ma. Kathrina Pobre, Dr. Sonia Carbonell and Dr. Lilibeth Roxas as Study Leaders.

DOST-PCAARRD-ARMRD Senior Science Research Specialists Maria Teresa L. de Guzman and Ofelia F. Domingo facilitated the proceedings. Ms. De Guzman explained the Rationale and Objectives of the Activity and Ms. Domingo facilitated the forum and served as rapporteur.

The Project Review and Evaluation Team is composed of Adoracion B. Armada, Dr. Florendo C. Flores, Dr. Ronilo O. De Castro and Ms. Maria Teresa L. De Guzman. They have given feedbacks and written recommendations.

(GA Delos Reyes)

CNSC capacitates procurement team through a Seminar on the Revised IRR of RA 9184



Atty. Norly P. Reyes, Chief Administrative Officer of Bicol University and GPPB Accredited lecturer explaining the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of RA 9184 – Government Procurement Reform Act; The participants composed of CNSC BAC on Goods and Infrastructure, Secretariat, Technical Working Group, Deans, Directors, Heads of Offices, Accountants, and other employees who are involved in the procurement process.

Camarines Norte State College (CNSC) through its Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) spearheaded the conduct of a Seminar on 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of RA 9184 – Government Procurement Reform Act. The seminar aimed to update and enhance the capabilities of the participants on RA 9184, specifically on its Revised IRR.

Atty. Norly P. Reyes, Chief Administrative Officer, Acting Legal Officer and Acting Board Secretary of Bicol University, Legazpi City served as the Resources Speaker. He is one of the seven GPPB accredited lecturers in the Bicol region. He had comprehensive discussion on the General Provisions of RA 9184 where he emphasized the Governing Principles of Public Monitoring, Accountability, Competitiveness, Transparency and Streamlined Procurement Process (PACTS). He talked about the Procurement Organization from the Head of Procurement Entity (HOPE), BAC, Secretariat, Technical

Working Group, their functions and duties. He pointed out the very critical role being played by the end-users in the procurement process, Procurement Planning and Linkages. He reiterated that only those considered crucial to the efficient discharge of government functions should be included in the Annual Procurement Plan (APP) and that no procurement shall be undertaken unless in accordance with the Approved APP. He also explained Specifications Writing as the heart of procurement transaction and the end-users should have the ability to write well-prepared specifications where the Lowest, Calculated and Responsive Bid (LCRB) that meet the technical specifications will ensure value for government's money. He also tackled the Penal, Civil and Administrative Liabilities of Government Procurement Practitioners who can be held liable that is why the participants should take note of RA 3019 – Anti-Graft and Corrupt Practices Act. In addition he discussed

the GPPB Non-Policy Matters. Along with his discussions, he cited jurisprudence to concretize his explanations.

A workshop on Specifications Writing was likewise conducted where participants presented their outputs for comments and critiquing. Further, Atty. Reyes shared to the participants the Standardized Bidding Procedures for Goods and Infrastructure, Procurement Procedure for Goods and Infrastructure, Alternative Method of Procurement, and Procurement of Consulting Services. The seminar was participated by CNSC BAC on Goods and Infrastructure, Secretariat, Technical Working Group, Deans, Directors, Heads of Offices, Accountants, and other employees who are involved in the procurement process.

This activity is in line with the current administration's commitment for continual improvement to promote good governance and adhere to the principles of transparency and accountability in public service. **(GA Delos Reyes)**

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The A2A system projects include the iPAMS and the eCRASS. The iPAMS is a combination of android and windows based system which has the capability of long distance monitoring of project implementation using GIS and Drone Technology and applying standard project management processes aimed at standardising the monitoring and reporting system of SUCs to DBM RO V, it also addresses QMS requirement on monitoring and documentation. "By

using this application, DBM personnel may no longer be sent to personally inspect the project because of its real time feature. Sending and monitoring of report is via cell phone which will be automatically recorded to the SUCs database and once reviewed and edited, send to the DBM portal," said Regional Director de Vera "The eCRASS on the other hand simplifies client registration and satisfaction feedback system of the DBM Regional Office, which may likewise be adopted by SUCs." he added.

A development team headed by EnP Ronaldo Dando, Planning Officer was

organized on a project based tasks for a period of six months. The team includes Rondelle Lagumen as the Supervising Programmer with John Laurence Necio and Stevenson Reyes, from the Institute of Computer Studies (ICS) as programmers.

Pres. Abanto welcomed the collaboration with high spirit and said "This opens doors for partnership among national agencies and SUCs in mutually beneficial projects such as this two. CNSC has the technical capability while DBM has some identified need, thus the collaboration. **(RP Dando)**

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Auditor's Takeaways

Camarines Norte State College's journey towards ISO Certification has been a long and arduous task and yet a fulfilling one. It took four years from the previous to the present administration with one goal in mind for CNSC to become an ISO Certified and Multi-Campus ISO Certified institution.

Everyone contributed, whether big or small, to the attainment of this goal. Foremost, the leadership and motivation and the direction set by the College President, Dr. Rusty G. Abanto radiated to the entire CNSC community and ignited everyone to take part. Also, the concerted efforts of the ISO Working Team, Deputy QMRs, Internal Quality Management Auditors, and other stakeholders was commendable in ensuring that the established Quality Management System is properly implemented and

clearly manifested by all teams working together to achieve the goal no matter how challenging and demanding the processes, activities and tasks were. Equally important is the cooperation and support of all faculty, students and non-teaching personnel who were audited under Instruction, Research, Extension, and Production. They showed that unity leads to victory. The guidance of ISO consultants throughout the process was also a great help in letting all to stay on the right track while pushing harder to reach the goal.

As William Adelbert Foster (US Marine) once said, "Quality is never an accident; it is always the result of high intention, sincere effort, intelligent direction and skilful execution. It represents the wise choice of many alternatives."

Indeed, the purposeful journey of ensuring that Quality Management System

(QMS) adherent to the ISO 9001:2015 Standard and CNSC's Quality Policy and its QMS Requirements is effectively implemented has never been easy. However, the strong commitment, passion and determination of the entire CNSC community headed by the goal-oriented College President, Dr. Rusty G. Abanto have made the journey truly rewarding.

CNSC sails as one. Together, the College triumphantly landed on the shore of success – the ISO Certification (Main Campus) in 2018, Re-Certification (Main Campus), and Multi-Campus ISO Sub-Certification for Satellite Campuses in 2019. It is not the end but only the beginning of the journey for Quality Management System for CNSC La Familia. ONE CNSC, Onwards to Excellence!

(JA Nagrampa)

OVPRE Capability Building Workshop fuels research awareness



Participants to the Research and Extension Capability Building Workshop for Instructors I-III facilitated by the Office of Research and Extension; VPRE Dr. Josefina Socorro F. Tondo delivers lecture on Appreciating Research



The Camarines Norte State College through the Office of the Vice President for Research and Extension (CNSC OVPRE) initiated the Research and Extension Capability Building Workshop for Instructors I to III on January 23 and 24 for College of Arts and Sciences (CAS), College of Business and Public Administration (CBPA), College of Education (CoEd), and the Institute of Agri-Business Development (IABD); and February 12 and 13, 2020 for the College

of Agriculture and Natural Resources (CANR), College of Engineering (CoEng), College of Trades and Technology (CoTT), Institute of Computer Studies, and Institute of Fisheries and Marine Sciences (IFMS).

The program included a variety of topics on research and extension with emphasis on emerging qualitative research methodologies. Invited presenters who shared their experiences in conducting Qualitative Research were Regine Santos-

Balmaceda on Grounded Theory, Ria P. Morales on Gaining Insights in Conducting Qualitative Research (Phenomenology); and Noel C. Alegre on Reflexive Approach in Qualitative Research, faculty members of CAS; and CoEd's Dr. Delma Jean V. Abad on Descriptive Qualitative Research.

The workshop facilitated by the OVPRE team led by Dr. Josefina Socorro F. Tondo are developing programs which aim to increase awareness, appreciation,

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OVPRE conducts PRRA with Faculty Enumerators and LGU Representatives

The Camarines Norte State College (CNSC), Office of the Vice President for Research and Extension (OVPRE) conducted Training on Participatory Rapid Rural Appraisal (PRRA) to faculty enumerators and barangay councils from the Local Government Units of Daet and San Lorenzo Ruiz. The activity is in line with Higher Education Institution's mandate to deliver services not only in instruction but also in research and extension. Specifically the training intends to train faculty members and barangay officials in conducting Participatory Rapid Rural Appraisal (PRRA). PRRA ensures that extension activities are highly integrated, and interdisciplinary through people's participation in the planning stage, and real priorities of the target beneficiaries are addressed. It guarantees that information collected is really from the people "on the ground"

Prof. Genevie L. Elep, Extension Director conveyed the statement of purpose while Engr. Leo Agustin P. Vela, Intellectual Property Officer presented the participants. VPRE Dr. Josefina Socorro F. Tondo shared the insights on the Objectives and Expected Outputs of the Training, while Dr. Analyn D. Ramos, Gender and Development (GAD) Chairperson expressed the overview of the activity.

The whole day event was held at the CNSC Amphitheater participated by barangay officials of Alawihao, Bibirao, Calasgasan, Cobangbang, Dogongan, Lagon and Mambalite in Daet and Daculang-Bolo and Dagotdotan in San Lorenzo Ruiz



The College of Education faculty with participants from LGUs conducting a workshop on Resource Mapping during the Participatory Rapid Rural Appraisal training of enumerators from the academe and LGUs

and CNSC faculty on February 28 and it was highlighted by a workshop.

Juanita C. Emata, former Associate Professor in College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Labo Campus served as the resource person. She explained the rudiments of PRRA, specifically the participatory approach to extension, evolution of assessment methods in development work, and the PRRA fieldwork using the tools such as resource mapping, social mapping, Venn diagram, Problem and possible solution ranking, seasonal calendar, and SWOT analysis. A workshop on Tools used in PRRA Fieldwork was conducted with the barangay officials, in cooperation with other attendees who are CNSC faculty. Their group output was presented and defended. Prof. Emata, the resource person and Dr. Tondo, the VPRE did the critiquing and improvement of the outputs.

The training is expected to capacitate faculty members and involve the stakeholders for better partnership, thus would ensure their engagement in the College's extension undertakings.

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be addressed such as those related to livelihood, agriculture, environment, and fisheries sectors which CNSC has the required technical expertise.

The MOA signing transpired between CNSC represented by Dr. Abanto and representatives of the LGUs of seven barangays of Daet and two barangays of San Lorenzo Ruiz. VPRE Dr. Josefina Socorro F. Tondo with Research and Extension team and barangay officials of the nine barangays witnessed the event.

Hon. Robert E. Palencia –Alawihao

Hon. Ramil E. Soriano –Bibirao

Hon. Estrella C. Sulpa – Calasgasan

Hon. Paz M. Pacao – Cobangbang

Hon. Zenaida M. Echano – Dogongan

Hon. Franco V. Sarion represented by Brgy. Councilor Rocch Luiz Z. Pabico - Lagon

Hon. Michelle B. Ocan – Mambalite

Hon. Edgardo G. Postre – Daculang Bolo

Hon. Melchor P. Rada – Dagotdotan

The signed MOA commenced the engagement and propels collaboration between CNSC and its adopted barangays to empower communities and improve their quality of lives.

(GA Delos Reyes)

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Covid 19 which include preventive and precautionary measures inside and outside the campus; disinfections of the entire surroundings; provision of disinfectants; and capacitating the people involved in the implementation of all precautionary measures.

Initially, the college, through its employees gathered materials to make improvised Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to be donated to the frontline service providers in the check points, barangays and hospitals. Some employees also volunteered and shared their creative skills and craftsmanship to make the PPE, while others shared their resources.

Massive information dissemination was also conducted to ensure that the public is informed of the latest updates about COVID 19 with WHO, DOH and LGUs as sources of basic information on the precautionary measures to beat the virus.

In addition, alternative mode of learning was implemented by having faculty arrangement, employing flexible and blended learning, and creating skeletal workforce to continue the delivery of essential services. A separate guideline was issued for alternative modes of learning.

The college also shared its facilities by accommodating Internally Displaced Persons and served as quarantine facility/community isolation units. Fund drive and relief operation to extend help to those in need was also launched.

Further, online services were initiated including online celebration of holy mass, online medical consultation, online guidance counselling, and online knowledge sharing on agriculture to ensure spiritual, physical and psychological health and food security while on lockdown.

As the crisis continues, CNSC sustains its commitment to extend services by reaching out to the community and letting the public feel that CNSC cares. *(GA Delos Reyes)*

BFHE holds 1ST BOD Meeting



BFHE Pres. Dr. Rusty Abanto presents the 6-Point Development Agenda among member HEIs in the Bicol region; The outgoing BFHE Executive Director Fr. Ricky Miranda turns over the documents to Dr. Ma. Angela Josefa Pioquinto - the incoming Executive Director

The Bicol Foundation for Higher Education (BFHE), a CHED recognized regional organization of Higher Education Institutions that aims to support both Private and State Colleges and Universities in Bicol held its First Regular Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting for 2020 on February 12, 2020 at the Office of the President Board Room, CNSC Main Campus, Daet, Camarines Norte.

The meeting was participated by CHED represented by Regional Director Freddie Bernal, and the Board of Directors and their Representatives from different HEIs in the region.

The highlights of the meeting aside from the approved agenda and new business are BFHE President Dr. Rusty G. Abanto's presentation of the 6-Point Development Agenda: 1. Sustain a strong BFHE by ensuring the 100% participation and support of all member HEIs in the Region, Complementarity and cooperation among member HEIs

in Bicol Region, Managerial Capabilities Enhancement for Higher Education Managers, Enhancement of Existing Sports Development Program, Promotion of Bicol Culture and Conduct of Corporate Social Responsibility and Promotion of Inclusive Education in all HEIs.

Dr. Ma. Angela Josefa G. Pioquinto, the Campus Director of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources was officially designated as BFHE Executive Director for 2020-2022. The outgoing BFHE Executive Director Fr. Ricky Miranda formally turned over the documents to Dr. Pioquinto - the incoming Executive Director.

Dr. Marilisa J. Ampuan, BFHE Treasurer presented the Financial Report to the body.

Dr. Abanto laid down the BFHE Plan of Activities which includes hosting of an International Conference and other activities.

Dr. Manuel C. Mendoza-NSTP Regional Focal Person reported the status of BFHE's Social Responsibility Project, a collaborative effort of Bicol HEIs through BFHE titled "Tabang Para sa Biktima Kan Taal Volcano Eruption" that donations will be delivered to the victims on February 18, 2020 in Batangas.

Camarines Norte Provincial Disability Affairs Office (PDAO) Head, Dr. Rex A. Bernardo was given the opportunity to promote the PDAO activity on ASEAN Enabling Masterplan 2025: Mainstreaming the Rights of Persons with Disabilities on April 29, 2020 as part of the Bantayog Festival Celebration of Camarines Norte. Director Bernal of CHED assured Dr. Bernardo of CHED's endorsement of the said event.

A tour around CNSC and a visit to the longest boulevard in the country that passes through four towns of Mercedes, Daet, Talisay, and Vinzons culminated the BOD meeting. **(GA Delos Reyes)**

OVPRE Capability Building... from page 6

and motivation in conducting research and extension initiatives among instructors by introducing different concepts and methodologies which can be used in their field of interest.

The OVPRE team also strengthened this call by delivering lectures on the following topics:

VP for Research and Extension Dr. Josefina Socorro F. Tondo on

Appreciating Research, Research Director Dr. Adrian C. Guinto discussed about Research Policy and Guidelines, Extension Director Gennevie L. Elep, talked on Appreciating Extension, Dr. Edwin R Ichiano, Social Policy Research Center (SPRC) Director discussed the SPRC Policy and Program, Gender and Development (GAD) Chairperson Dr. Analyn D. Ramos, talked about Gender and Development (GAD) Concerns; and Intellectual Property Rights and Protection Unit Head, Engr.

Leo Agustin P. Vela enlightened the participants on Copyright and Patenting of Research.

The participants wrote and presented research proposals using a capsule format and applying the qualitative research design. The proposed studies were deliberated with the OVPRE team and submitted as output of the workshop.

(GA Delos Reyes)

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the confirmation of completers and giving of certificates from the Regional Language Office (RELO) at the Embassy of the United States in the Philippines.

On behalf of the Regional English Language Officer, Dr. Emily Ferlis, Mr. Matthew Gleason, an English Language Fellow at Leyte Normal University in Tacloban City graced the event and awarded the certificates. In his speech, he expressed his sincerest congratulations to all completers and emphasized the following key points: 1) Information and knowledge belongs to the world, so we have to cascade what we learn from MOOCs with our colleagues, friends and students to keep updated of the latest pedagogical trends and innovative teaching strategies; 2) The world is changing fast, technology is transforming the world, and so with the learners, thus, we have to adapt our teaching with learners' preferences, learning styles and habits; 3) Filipinos are excellent natural teachers because

of our bubbly personality and creativity, hence, we have to continue growing and spreading the seeds of knowledge, creating impacts and teaching with passion. He further encouraged everyone to continue enrolling in MOOCs, participating in MOOC Camps and being partners in sharing professional development opportunities with fellow educators.

Dr. Rosalie A. Almadrones, CNSC Vice-President for Academic Affairs and Mrs. Emma V. Dasco, Education Program Supervisor in English of DepEd Camarines Norte also attended the celebration. They both commended the participants' enthusiasm to keep engaging in professional undertaking like MOOC and MOOC Camps as these will greatly help them improve their quality of teaching for better learning outcomes. They also expressed appreciation and strong support to this initiative.

Dr. Melanie D. Bacuño, CNSC MOOC Camp Completer and Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and Ms. Christine Ann C. Alegre, DepEd CN MOOC Camp

Completer shared their MOOC takeaways, best practices during the camp and action plans to keep MOOCtipping.

The CBI MOOC Camps which culminated in the Celebration of Learning was made possible and successful because of the strong support of the CNSC administration headed by the very supportive College President, Dr. Rusty G. Abanto, VPAA Dr. Rosalie A. Almadrones, the college deans and campus directors, the co-facilitators who serve as partners in the conduct of MOOC Camps, DepEd CN SDS Dr. Nympha Guemo and former SDS Dr. Nene Merioles, EPS Mrs. Emma V. Dasco SECNCI President Dr. Noli Bayani, and the Regional English Language Office, Public Affairs Section of the US Embassy in the Philippines especially Ms. Conchita C. Chico, Cultural Affairs Specialist and Mr. Marco Frederico D. Dalma, RELO Administrative Assistant.

(JA Nagrampa)

CNSC delegation contends for Bicol SCUAA Selection 2020



CNSC athletes' participation in different sporting events such as athletics, sepak takraw, volleyball, taekwondo, arnis, and chess during the Bicol SCUAA Selection 2019 held in Bicol University, Legazpi City

To foster self-discipline, teamwork and excellence for the development of the studentry, the administration supported the college participation to the Bicol State Colleges and Universities Athletic Association (SCUAA) 2020

Regional Selection held in Bicol University, Legazpi City on February 5-7, 2020.

The college participated in different sporting events such as athletics, taekwondo, volleyball, futsal, arnis, sepak takraw, table tennis and chess.

Other participating SUCs are Bicol State College of Applied Sciences and Technology (BSCAST), Bicol University (BU), Camarines Sur Polytechnic College (CSPC), Catanduanes State University (CSU), Central Bicol State University of Agriculture (CBSUA), and Don Emilion B. Espinosa Sr. Memorial State College of Agriculture and Technology (DBESMSCAT), Partido State University (PSU) and Sorsogon State College (SSC).

The college garnered the following for this year's Bicol SCUAA Selection:

GOLD-26

SILVER-34

BRONZE -12

The determination and discipline of the athletes, support of their parents, dedication and perseverance of their coaches, and the relentless effort of the administration thru the Office of Student Services and Development all contributed to the success of CNSC's participation in the said event. The Arnis team coached by Ms. Arrietta Mae Llegado and trained by the Poblete brothers nailed the most Gold in the competition.

Ms. Michelle Carbonell, OSSD Director and Fermin Gaurino, Sports Coordinator spearheaded the delegation.

(GA Delos Reyes)

CoEd hosts testimonial banquet for LET passers

The College of Education (CoEd) paid tribute to the Licensure Examination for Teachers (LET) passers through a Testimonial Banquet for batches 2018 and 2019 held on February 28, 2020 at the Student Center, Main Campus. The event was attended by Bachelor in Elementary Education (BEED) and Bachelor in Secondary Education (BSED) alumni who were able to pass the board examination conducted by the Professional Regulatory Commission (PRC) during the months of March and September. Pre-Service Teachers (PSTs), formerly known as Student Teachers (STs) also attended the event.

Dr. Jennifer S. Rubio, the College Dean presented the LET passers by batch. She also informed the spectators that BEED got a passing rate of 65% in March and 70.83% in September 2019, while 12.50% and 48.44% respectively in 2018, as compared to the National passing rate of 31.34% and 27.28% in 2019, and 23.62% and 20.29% in 2018.

BSED hit the 47% mark in March and 62.06% in September 2019, while it obtained 48.04% and 72.26% respectively in 2018, consistently

surpassing the National passing performance rate of 25.95% and 39.68% in 2019; and 29.91% and 48.03% in 2018.

With this statistics, the Dean thanked the passers for contributing to the attainment of one of its targets, which enabled the College to be hailed as Best Delivery Unit for 2019, thus achieving the elusive Performance-Based Bonus (PBB).

Former Breakthrough Editor-in-Chief Naomi P. Yasis and some selected alumni gave their testimonials. Agnes U. Abunio, an alumna of batch 2019 delivered the speech of challenge, which was accepted by Hazel V. Corpuz, a Pre-Service Teacher who is also the Student Government (SG) President of the current academic year.

Respective Program Chairpersons Asst. Prof. Nemia C. Puse for BEED, Dr. Consuelo R. Saenz for BSEd, Asst. Prof. Angelita M. Orendain for BTLEd, and Ms. Irish M. Orgeta for BPEd graced the occasion.

Wava Ann G. Baylon, the Guidance Counselor spearheaded the tribute to honor the milestone that the graduates have achieved. *(NC Puse)*

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CNSC, LGU Labo sign MOA on radio program airing

DISKARTE (Delivering Inclusive Services through Knowledge Sharing and Application of Research-based Technologies to Empower communities) sa Pagsasaka at Iba Pa, an extension program of CNSC College of Agriculture and Natural Resources (CANR) will continue its airing every Friday, 4:00 – 5:00 PM at DWLB 89.7 FM.

Camarines Norte State College President, Dr. Rusty G. Abanto together with. Dr. Ma. Angela Josefa Pioquinto, Campus Director – Labo Campus and Hon. Joseph V. Ascutia, Mayor- Municipality of Labo with DWLB Station Manager Mr. Rod Aycocho signed a Memorandum of Agreement for the airing of DISKARTE sa Pagsasaka at Iba Pa

program last March 13, 2020. This agreement extends for another year the weekly program of the college which is an avenue for discussion of different topics such as Agriculture, Environmental Management, Natural Resources, Culture, Agricultural Engineering, as well as, other related topics It also includes announcements of the college on activities and events. The discussions are spearheaded by instructors and guests who are experts of the field.

This project is one of the extension programs of the college to reach out to the communities the new technologies and methods in farming.

(NG Panotes)

ABOUT THE LOGO



SPECTRUM is a condition that is not a confined to a specific set of values but can vary infinitely within a continuum; thus, its colorful depiction in this logo, which ultimately forms the CNSC pentagon. The wide array of colors represents the different campuses and their programs and activities; all within the pentagon, which contribute to the holistic image of CNSC. The paper, pen and camera icons represents the identity of this publication – clear and honest reporting.

Regardless of the color, the College's undertakings will be reflected in this paper. Hence, the name, CNSC Spectrum.

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