

BFHE 1st BOD Meeting held



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 former BFHE Executive Director Fr. Ricky Miranda formally turned over the documents to Dr. Pioquinto.



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



Dr. Abanto laid down the BFHE Plan of Activities which include 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.

