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  - c. Assoc. Prof. CHERISH AILEEN AGUILAR BRILLON as Special Assistant to the Vice President, Office of the Vice President for Public Affairs and Director, UP Padayon Public Service Office, effective 1 June 2023 to serve at the pleasure of the Vice President for Public Affairs;
  - d. Prof. MARIA VANESSA LUSUNG-OYZON as Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, UP Diliman effective 1 September 2023 to serve at the pleasure of the Chancellor;
  - e. Prof. RICKY B. NELLAS as Executive Director, Center for Intelligent Systems, UP Diliman, effective 16 June 2023 until 15 June 2026;
  - f. Prof. GALILEO S. ZAFRA as Director, UP Press, Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective 1 September 2023 until 31 August 2026;
  - g. Assoc. Prof. MICHELLE R. PALUMBARIT as Director, Centre International de Formacion des Autorites et Leaders (CIFAL), Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective 1 September 2023 until 31 August 2026; and,
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26 October 2023**

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#### **1. Appointment of University Officials:**

##### **a. Appointment of Ms. ELVIRA B. LAPUZ as University Librarian, UP Diliman, effective 26 October 2023**

1.1 The Board interviewed Ms. Elvira B. Lapuz, the lone nominee for the University Librarian position of UP Diliman.

1.2 After a short deliberation, the Board approved the appointment of Ms. Elvira B. Lapuz as University Librarian of UP Diliman, effective 26 October 2023.

**Board Action: APPROVED**

##### **b. Appointment of the following Vice Chancellors of UP Los Baños, effective 01 November 2023 to serve at the pleasure of the Chancellor:**

1. Prof. **AGHAM C. CUEVAS** as Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs;
2. Assoc. Prof. **ROLANDO T. BELLO** as Vice Chancellor for Administration;
3. Prof. **NATHANIEL C. BANTAYAN** as Vice Chancellor for Research and Extension;
4. Dr. **ROBERTO P. CERENO** as Vice Chancellor for Community Affairs;
5. Assoc. Prof. **JANETTE M. SILVA** as Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs; and,

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### A. GENERAL GOVERNANCE (cont'd)

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#### 1. Appointment of University Officials (cont'd)

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b. Appointment of the following Vice Chancellors of UP Los Baños, effective 01 November 2023 to serve at the pleasure of the Chancellor:

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6. Prof. ROSSANA MARIE C. AMONGO as Vice Chancellor for Planning and Development.

b.1 Regent Ramota moved for the approval of the appointments of the UPLB Vice Chancellors, effective 01 November 2023 to serve at the pleasure of the Chancellor. Regent Belegal seconded the motion. There being no objections, the same were approved.

#### Board Action: APPROVED

2. Proposal to rename selected facilities of the UP Los Baños Francisco O. Santos Hall (Physical Sciences Building) in honor of three (3) Institute of Computer Science faculty members, namely: Prof. Eliezer A. Albacea, Prof. Santiago M. Alviar, and Prof. Manuel M. Manuel

2.1 UP Los Baños Chancellor Jose V. Camacho, Jr. presented the proposal to rename the selected facilities of the UP Los Baños Francisco O. Santos Hall (Physical Sciences Building) in honor of the three (3) pioneers of the Computer Science program in UP Los Baños during the time of President Emil Javier.

2.2 After the confirmation by Chancellor Camacho that the renaming went through the regular process, Regent Belegal moved for the approval of the proposal. Regents Trinidad and Ramota seconded the motion, and there being no objections, the same was approved.

#### Board Action: APPROVED

## **I. MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD (cont'd)**

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### **B. ACADEMIC MATTERS**

#### **1. Establishment of the UP Manila Science and Technology Park (STP) at the New Clark City (NCC), Tarlac**

- 1.1 Vice President for Academic Affairs Leo Cubillan, together with UP Manila Chancellor Carmencita Padilla and Vice Chancellor Edward Wang, presented the proposal for the establishment of the UP Manila Science and Technology Park (UPM-STP) at the New Clark City (NCC), Tarlac, including the background of the project and the challenges and gaps in the technology translation cycle. President Jimenez added that the rationale of the proposal is for the research outputs to reach and benefit the Filipino people.
- 1.2 Chancellor Padilla narrated that the idea of a Science and Technology Park came after the strategic planning of UP Manila's National Institutes of Health (NIH) when they realized that there is a big gap in scaling up research discoveries due to a lack of facilities. This led them to research possible solutions here and abroad, and to benchmark with leading universities abroad.
- 1.3 Vice President Cubillan added that the vision of the UP Manila STP is to contribute to the macroeconomy by becoming a prime mover of health and technology innovation, translation, commercialization, and human capital development by 2030, with a mission to provide the science community and industry an inclusive and collaborative ecosystem that fuels groundbreaking research, empowers visionary entrepreneurs, and supports the country's macroeconomy. He stated that the UPM-STP proposal is aligned with the Philippine's National Innovation Agenda and the Philippine Innovation Act (RA 11293).
- 1.4 Vice President Cubillan further explained that a Science and Technology Park is an organization managed by specialized professionals that aims to increase the wealth of its community by promoting a culture of innovation and the competitiveness of its associated businesses and knowledge-based institutions. In the Philippines, he said that there is no recognized Science and Technology Park because it requires an entire ecosystem of

## **I. MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD (cont'd)**

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### **B. ACADEMIC MATTERS (cont'd)**

#### **1. Establishment of the UP Manila Science and Technology Park (STP) at the New Clark City (NCC), Tarlac (cont'd)**

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innovation hubs. A perfect example of a successful STP is the Singapore Biopolis which is a model of biomedical research and biomedical sciences and is considered as a driver of the economy of Singapore.

- 1.5 In terms of management of STP, Vice President Cubillan presented the Quintohelix Innovation Model, which is the successful model being used by STPs around the world. Under this model, the UP Manila will serve as the academic pillar of the STP.
- 1.6 Regent Pastorfide inquired about the economic aspect of the proposal, specifically the finances involved, and the reason for choosing the NCC as development site for the UPM-STP. Vice President Cubillan responded that the NCC is the perfect location to set up an STP as it is designed as a comprehensive city with access to air, sea, land, and high-speed transportation from and to Metro Manila. It is also identified as the future alternate city for Metro Manila where government offices will be built and developed. He mentioned that the Philippine General Hospital (UPM-PGH) is expected to operate its polyclinic within the year at NCC. President Jimenez added that once the BOR approves the concept proposal, the proponents could proceed with the next phase including financial requirements.
- 1.7 Regent Pagdanganan remarked that the UPM-STP concept is commendable. When informed that the lease contract for a similar project, the UP-Ayala Technohub, is expiring in a few years, he suggested studying exit strategies for such projects. He also recommended that the Vice President for Development and the Vice President for Planning and Finance be at the forefront of the UPM-STP project. Vice President Balmores reported that she is already working closely with the proponents of the project.

## **I. MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD (cont'd)**

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### **B. ACADEMIC MATTERS (cont'd)**

#### **1. Establishment of the UP Manila Science and Technology Park (STP) at the New Clark City (NCC), Tarlac (cont'd)**

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President Jimenez likewise advised that there are plans for future Vice Presidents to work on this project as a UP System project.

- 1.8 Regent Ramota inquired on the governance structure, staffing requirements, budget and operations, and the relationships with the national and local government units for this project. Chancellor Padilla replied the UPM- STP will be at the same level as PGH and NIH and will be funded through earnings from royalties and rentals. She also cited the experience of the UP Philippine Genome Center which also started as a concept.
- 1.9 Regent Trinidad suggested including specific goals for the different sectors of the UP community while Regent Aranton suggested consulting with the Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA) especially on the concept of the science park. President Jimenez replied in the affirmative and added that they are already collaborating with the Department of Trade and Industry through the support of former UP President and now DTI Secretary Alfredo Pascual.
- 1.10 After further discussions, Regent Pagdanganan moved for the approval of the establishment of the UP Manila Science and Technology Park at the New Clark City in Tarlac. Regent Aranton seconded the motion. There being no objections, the same was approved.

**Board Action: APPROVED**

## **I. MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD (cont'd)**

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### **B. ACADEMIC MATTERS (cont'd)**

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*Regent Pagdanganan moved for the OMNIBUS APPROVAL of Item Nos. 2-4 under Academic Matters as these were presented to and discussed by, the BOR members who were present during the BOR Academic Briefing held on 24 October 2023. There being no objections to the motion duly made and seconded, the following items were APPROVED:*

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- 2. Proposed Revision in the Guidelines of the UP Diliman Creative/Critical Thesis Grant in the Arts, Culture and Humanities**

**Board Action: APPROVED**

- 3. Institution of the Dual PhD by Research Program in Partnership with the University of Montpellier, UP Los Baños**

**Board Action: APPROVED**

- 4. Institution of the BA Literature Program, UP Tacloban College**

**Board Action: APPROVED**

## I. **MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD** (cont'd)

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### C. **FISCAL MATTERS<sup>1</sup>**

#### 1. Reprogramming of UP System Administration's Unexpended Balances of Prior Years' Obligations to fund MOOE and EO/CO Projects in the amount of P60,868,000.00

- 1.1 Vice President Balmores gave a brief background of the reprogramming request of UP System's unexpended balances of prior years' obligations in the total amount of P60,868,000.00 to fund the financial requirements of UP Cebu's SheShelter Residences and the augmentation of UP System's International Linkages Fund (ILF) with corresponding amounts of P40,868,000.00 and P20,000,000.00, respectively.
- 1.2 UP Cebu Chancellor Leo B. Malagar presented the funding requirements for the construction of the UP Cebu SheShelter Residences, which is a three-storey ladies' dormitory with a roof deck. He explained that the proposed student housing aims to address the increasing demands for on-campus housing and to improve the educational opportunities for female students. He also showed the pertinent data on student housing which shows the gap between the demand based on applications and the current capacity of existing dormitories.
- 1.3 Regent Pagdanganan recalled that during the BOR Finance Committee meeting held on 23 October 2023, Chancellor Malagar mentioned that there is a P2 Million donation by a non-government organization for the proposed student dormitory, subject to a request for naming rights. In response, Chancellor Malagar clarified that the construction of the dormitory will require a total of P42,868,000.00, but due to a donation of about P2 Million by a non-government organization and foreign aid, UP Cebu is only requesting a budget of P40,868,000.00.

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#### 1. Reprogramming of UP System Administration's Unexpended Balances of Prior Years' Obligations to fund MOOE and EO/CO Projects in the amount of P60,868,000.00 (cont'd)

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- 1.4 Regent Pagdanganan pointed out that UP Cebu must ensure that the amount of donation is substantial enough to merit naming rights. President Jimenez reminded the body that under the university's rules, the naming rights for UP properties may be granted only if the donation amounts to at least 50% of the project cost/value, and even then would still require BOR approval. Chancellor Malagar assumed the task of explaining to the donor why it could not be given naming rights in light of the university's rules.
- 1.5 Regent Belegal raised safety and security concerns regarding the plan of having a roof deck on ladies' dormitory, to which Chancellor Malagar replied that they will ensure that the architectural design is compliant with existing safety and security standards.
- 1.6 There being no further clarifications and questions, Regent Tiongco moved for the approval of the reprogramming request of UP Cebu amounting to P40,868,000.00. Regent Aranton seconded the motion. There being no objections, the same was approved.

- 1.7 On the request of the UP System for the augmentation of the International Linkages Fund (ILF), Vice President Balmores presented the request for the reprogramming of P20,000,000.00 to augment the ILF which is used for the foreign travel of the Office of the President and other UP System Administration offices, including at times, the Constituent Universities and the

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### **C. FISCAL MATTERS<sup>1</sup> (cont'd)**

#### **1. Reprogramming of UP System Administration's Unexpended Balances of Prior Years' Obligations to fund MOOE and EO/CO Projects in the amount of P60,868,000.00 (cont'd)**

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UP Symphony Orchestra (UPSO). In this light, President Jimenez recognized the goodwill created by the UPSO for the University, especially during the ASEAN-China cultural week, which resulted to repeated invitations. He then suggested arranging a tour for UPSO in the United States with an exhibit of Philippine arts to project a positive image for the University, attract academic partnerships, and expose the Filipino children in the US to the Filipino culture.

- 1.8 After further discussions, Regent Pagdanganan moved for the approval of the augmentation of the ILF amounting to P20,000,000.00, subject to the usual documentation in compliance with auditing rules and regulations. There being no objections to the motion duly made, the same was approved.

#### **Board Action: APPROVED**

#### **2. Reprogramming of UP Diliman's Unexpended Balances in the amount of P395,199,200.00**

- 2.1 UP Diliman Chancellor Edgardo Carlo L. Vistan II presented the request of UP Diliman to reprogram its unexpended balances in the amount of P395,199,200.00, including the breakdown per expense class: Personal Services, Equipment Outlay, and Capital Outlay.

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### C. **FISCAL MATTERS<sup>1</sup>** (cont'd)

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#### 2. Reprogramming of UP Diliman's Unexpended Balances in the amount of P395,199,200.00 (cont'd)

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2.2 Chancellor Vistan further explained that the requests are mostly to support the hyflex teaching and learning modality, as well as student support services such as the renovation of student residence halls and support offices.

2.3 President Jimenez pointed out the need for maintenance and upkeep of buildings and facilities. Regent Pagdanganan agreed that a system for preventive maintenance of buildings and other facilities should be put in place in the University. Chancellor Vistan shared that in UP Diliman, property management and ground maintenance operations are currently decentralized to the colleges and units. He added, however, that they are considering having an office that will manage properties.

2.4 Regent Pagdanganan moved for the approval of the reprogramming request of UP Diliman. There being no objections to the motion duly made and seconded, the request was approved.

**Board Action: APPROVED**

#### 3. Reprogramming of UP Manila's Savings from Unexpended Balances of Prior Years' Obligations from the Revolving Fund in the amount of P50,162,000.00

3.1 UP Manila Chancellor Carmencita D. Padilla presented the request of UP Manila for the reprogramming of savings from unexpended balances of prior years' obligations from the

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### C. **FISCAL MATTERS**<sup>1</sup> (cont'd)

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#### 3. Reprogramming of UP Manila's Savings from Unexpended Balances of Prior Years' Obligations from the Revolving Fund in the amount of P50,162,000.00 (cont'd)

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Revolving Fund amounting to a total of P50,162,000.00, which is divided into Personnel Services (PS) in the amount of P750,000.00; Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE) in the amount of P39,412,000.00; and the Futures Thinking Project in the amount of P10,000,000.00. She also explained in detail the intended use of each funding category.

- 3.2 Given that Chancellor Padilla's term is ending on 31 October 2023, Regent Pagdanganan inquired on whether the reprogramming request is supported by Chancellor-elect Michael Tee so as not to put in peril the payroll of job order employees. In response, Chancellor Padilla assured the Board that Chancellor Tee supports the request and was present earlier in the meeting via Zoom but was cut-off due to poor internet connection. She said, however, that she will defer to the decision of the Board and allow the incoming Chancellor to determine how to fund the payroll in the meantime.
- 3.3 After further discussions on the timelines and on the possible effects of the delay in approval, Regent Pagdanganan moved for the approval of the request of UP Manila to reprogram its savings. Regent Belegal seconded the motion, and there being no objections, the same was approved.

**Board Action: APPROVED**

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### C. **FISCAL MATTERS<sup>1</sup>** (cont'd)

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#### 4. Programming of UP Manila-Philippine General Hospital's Unprogrammed Income in FY 2022 in the amount of P52,387,000.00

- 4.1 UP Manila-Philippine General Hospital (PGH) Director Gerardo D. Legaspi presented the request for the programming of UP-PGH's unprogrammed income in FY 2022, in the total amount of P52,387,000.00, which will be used for the Service Recognition Pay of retiring employees, the cost of strengthening PGH's cybersecurity, and equipment for Human Resources Information System and Information Technology network.
- 4.2 Upon inquiry of Regent Pagdanganan, Director Legaspi explained that the unprogrammed income are funds collected from the various services rendered by PGH. Regent Pagdanganan then referred to such income as total gross receipts minus the disbursements.
- 4.3 Regent Ramota requested an update on the request of the academic union of UP Manila for the release of the agency fee for the CNA Incentives for fiscal years 2021 and 2022. In response, Director Legaspi said that he will take it up first with the PGH Budget Officer and provide an update to Regent Ramota.
- 4.4 With no further questions, Regent Pagdanganan moved for the approval of UPM-PGH's request for programming of its unprogrammed income in FY2022. Regent Tiongco seconded the motion. There being no objections, the same was approved.

**Board Action: APPROVED**

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## I. **MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD** (cont'd)

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### C. **FISCAL MATTERS<sup>1</sup>** (cont'd)

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#### 5. Creation of the Sports and Varsity Programs Revolving Fund

- 5.1 Vice President Iryn Balmores presented the proposal for the creation of the Sports and Varsity Programs Revolving Fund, which will be used and monitored by the UP Office for Athletics and Sports Development (OASD) and managed by the UP System. She enumerated the sources of funds, including but not limited to the UP's share in University Athletics Association of the Philippines' (UAAP's) fees, collections from grants and donations, income generated through outputs, sponsorships, payment for the use of facilities, among others.
- 5.2 Vice President Balmores further explained the proposed utilization of the fund which will primarily be for the support of student-athletes, varsity coaches, OASD staff, training and team development, and other operational requirements.
- 5.3 Regent Pagdanganan expressed support for the creation of the Sports and Varsity Programs Revolving Fund and moved for the approval of the same, subject to the creation of a mechanism for making petty cash funds available to coaches, or duly authorized personnel, for emergency purposes. Vice President Balmores responded in the affirmative and added that a cash advance facility may be set up for the coaches or OASD personnel that will be subject to liquidation in accordance with the usual accounting and auditing laws, rules, and regulations.
- 5.4 Regent Tiongco moved for the approval of the creation of the Sports and Varsity Programs Revolving Fund. Regent Belegal seconded the motion. There being no objections, the same was approved.

**Board Action: APPROVED**

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## I. **MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD** (cont'd)

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### C. **FISCAL MATTERS**<sup>1</sup> (cont'd)

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#### 6. Increase in economic benefits for regular personnel in the amount of P1,500.00 per qualified UP employee

6.1 Vice President for Administration Augustus Resurreccion presented the proposal to increase the economic benefits for regular personnel in the total amount of P1,500.00, distributed to the three economic benefits currently being given to regular personnel, as follows: P300-increase in the Annual Incentive Grant (AIG), from P13,700.00 to P14,000.00; P600-increase in the Christmas Grocery Allowance, from P8,400.00 to P9,000.00; and P600-increase in the Rice Subsidy, from P9,400.00 to P10,000.00. He added that the legal basis for the increase is provided for under the UP Charter and the Collective Negotiation Agreement (CNA) between the University and the two Unions. He clarified that the proposal will be effective for FY 2024.

- a. Regent Pagdanganan pointed out that the increase is only about 4.8%, which is lower than the current inflation rate. He then moved for the approval of the proposed increase. Regents Tiongco and Belegal seconded the motion. There being no objections, the proposed P1,500.00 increase in economic benefits was approved.
- b. Regent Belegal requested if it is possible to apply the increase for the Christmas Grocery Allowance which will be granted in December. Regent Ramota clarified that the request is to apply the newly approved P600-increase to the 2023 Christmas Grocery Allowance; thus, granting the amount of P9,000.00 instead of the current amount of P8,400.00.

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## I. **MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD** (cont'd)

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### C. **FISCAL MATTERS<sup>1</sup>** (cont'd)

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#### 6. Increase in economic benefits for regular personnel in the amount of P1,500.00 per qualified UP employee (cont'd)

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c. Regent Pagdanganan stated that the Board has already approved the proposal to increase the economic benefits effective prospectively on 1 January 2024 and that the request of Regent Belegal is a different matter that is subject to another discussion by the Board and subject to availability of the budget as it relates to the benefits for 2023.

d. After further discussions, President Jimenez requested Regent Belegal to submit to the Office of the President a formal request for this purpose so that it can be studied by the concerned Vice Presidents, for possible discussion at the next Board meeting.

#### **Board Action: APPROVED**

#### 7. Request for Authority to Purchase One (1) unit 7-seater multipurpose vehicle and one (1) unit 15-seater van for the National Engineering Center (NEC), UP Diliman

7.1 Regent Pagdanganan moved for the approval of the request of the National Engineering Center (NEC) to purchase vehicles. Regent Trinidad seconded the motion. There being no objections to the motion duly made and seconded, the request was approved.

#### **Board Action: APPROVED**

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## I. **MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD** (cont'd)

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### D. **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

*Regent Tiongco moved for the OMNIBUS APPROVAL of Item Nos. 1-6 under Administrative Matters. Regent Pastorfide seconded the motion. There being no objections, the following items were approved:*

1. **Payment of salary differential of Dr. ARIEL C. BLANCO of the College of Engineering, for the period of his secondment to Philippine Space Agency (PhilSA) as Director IV, effective on 15 October 2021 for a period of two years**

**Board Action: APPROVED**

2. **Salary adjustments in favor of the following faculty members due to their being recipients of the 2021 Presidential Lingkod Bayan Award:**

- a. **Dr. GERARDO D. LEGASPI**, Philippine General Hospital, UP Manila, from Professor 4 (SG 27-6) to Professor 7 (SG 28-6); and,
- b. **Dr. CYNTHIA P. SALOMA**, Philippine Genome Center, UP System, from Professor 12 (SG 29-8) to Professor 12 (SG 30-8)

**Board Action: APPROVED**

3. **Appointment of Ms. JAZELYN M. SALVADOR of the Natural Sciences Research Institute (NSRI), UP Diliman as Scientist I (SG 26-1) under DOST's Scientific Career System (SCS), effective 18 May 2023, pursuant to Executive Orders 708 and 901**

**Board Action: APPROVED**

## I. **MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD** (cont'd)

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### D. **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS** (cont'd)

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4. Merit Automatic Promotion (MAP) of faculty members for obtaining Ph.D. with merit (*1147<sup>th</sup> BOR Meeting held on 21 December 2000*), effective upon recommendation by OVPA:
  - a. Assistant Professor JEFFERSON A. ARAPOC, College of Economics and Management, UP Los Baños, *from* Assistant Professor 7 *to* Associate Professor 4, effective upon approval
  - b. Assistant Professor ERWIN C. ESCOBAR, College of Engineering and Agro-Industrial Technology, UP Los Baños, *from* Assistant Professor 7 *to* Associate Professor 5, effective upon approval
  - c. Assistant Professor MAURICE A. DUKA, College of Engineering and Agro-Industrial Technology, UP Los Baños, *from* Assistant Professor 6 *to* Associate Professor 4, effective upon approval
  - d. Assistant Professor NEILYN O. VILLA, College of Arts and Sciences, UP Los Baños, *from* Assistant Professor 7 *to* Associate Professor 4, effective 6 August 2022
  - e. Assistant Professor EDGAR M. REYES, JR., College of Human Ecology, UP Los Baños, *from* Assistant Professor 7 *to* Associate Professor 3, effective upon approval
  - f. Assistant Professor RICARDO M. SANDALO, College of Human Ecology, UP Los Baños, *from* Assistant Professor 7 *to* Associate Professor 3, effective upon approval
  - g. Assistant Professor AILEEN R. DE JURAS, College of Human Ecology, UP Los Baños, *from* Assistant Professor 7 *to* Associate Professor 5, effective upon approval

## I. **MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD** (cont'd)

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### D. **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS** (cont'd)

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4. Merit Automatic Promotion (MAP) of faculty members for obtaining Ph.D. with merit (*1147<sup>th</sup> BOR Meeting held on 21 December 2000*), effective upon recommendation by OVPAA: (cont'd)

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h. **Assistant Professor BERNICE VANIA L. MAMAUAG**, College of Arts and Sciences, UP Visayas, *from* Assistant Professor 6 *to* Associate Professor 6, effective upon approval

i. **Assistant Professor DENNIS JOHN F. SUMAYLO**, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, UP Mindanao, *from* Assistant Professor 7 *to* Associate Professor 3, effective 4 July 2022

j. **Assistant Professor JENNIFER P. LOVERIO**, College of Home Economics, UP Diliman, *from* Assistant Professor 7 *to* Associate Professor 5, effective upon approval

k. **Assistant Professor JOHN ERWIN S. BAÑEZ**, College of Social Work and Community Development, UP Diliman, *from* Assistant Professor 7 *to* Associate Professor 3, effective upon report for duty from study leave

**Board Action: APPROVED**

5. Merit promotion of Assoc. Prof. JUANITO S. JAVIER, College of Medicine, UP Manila based on the “Guidelines for the Merit Promotion of Faculty Members Who are Eligible to Cross-Rank and are Due for Compulsory Retirement” (*1258<sup>th</sup> BOR Meeting, 29 July 2010*)

**Board Action: APPROVED**

## I. **MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD** (cont'd)

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### D. **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS** (cont'd)

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6. Recommendation by the UP Diliman Office for Initiatives in Culture and the Arts (UPD-OICA) to bestow the honorific title “Official Student Performing Arts Groups of UP Diliman” for 2023-2026 the following performing groups for the UP Diliman Honorific Awards for Performing Arts Groups (UPD HASPAG) Cycle 3:

- a. UP Kontemporaryong Gamelan Pilipino (Kontra-Gapi)
- b. UP Concert Chorus
- c. UP Repertory Company
- d. UP Singing Ambassadors
- e. UP Tugtugang Musika Asyatika (TUGMA)

6.1. Regent Tiongco noted that the recipients of the UP Diliman Honorific Awards for Performing Arts Groups from Cycles 1 to 3 are almost the same groups. She inquired about how to encourage or help other performing arts groups in the University to be eligible to this award. Regent Pagdanganan observed that there were only nine (9) groups that applied for the award but only five (5) groups were recommended. He then suggested increasing the base of the applications in order to encourage the application of other groups.

6.2. UPD-OICA Director Monica Fides Amada Santos explained that OICA has other Grants programs for performing arts groups to support their projects. There are four (4) cycles every year and each performing arts group can apply twice a year or once per semester. For the HASPAG award, she clarified that the recipients receive a grant of P250,000.00 per year for their approved projects for the duration of the cycle. For Cycle 3, the duration is from 2023-2026.

## I. **MATTERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD** (cont'd)

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### D. **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS** (cont'd)

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#### 6. Recommendation by the UP Diliman Office for Initiatives in Culture and the Arts (UPD-OICA) ... (cont'd)

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6.3. Regents Tiongco and Pagdanganan recommended expanding the criteria into categories or arts fields to encourage more performing arts groups to apply per category. President Jimenez agreed and emphasized that the Board supports this initiative and would like to see more performing arts groups becoming eligible for this award.

6.4. Regent Tiongco moved for the approval of the awarding of the honorific title to the five (5) performing arts groups. Regent Trinidad seconded the motion. There being no objections, the same was approved.

**Board Action: APPROVED**

## II. **MATTERS FOR CONFIRMATION BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS**

*Regent Pagdanganan moved for the OMNIBUS CONFIRMATION of Item Nos. 1-5 under Matters for Confirmation by the Board. Regent Trinidad seconded the motion. There being no objections, the following items were CONFIRMED:*

### 1. Ad Interim Appointments of the following University Officials:

a. **Prof. RUTH R. LUSTERIO-RICO** as Dean of the College of Social Sciences and Philosophy, UP Diliman, effective 13 October 2023 until 12 October 2026;

## II. MATTERS FOR CONFIRMATION BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS (cont'd)

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### 2. Ad Interim Appointments . . . (cont'd)

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- b. **Prof. ROLANDO B. TOLENTINO** as Vice President for Public Affairs, effective 1 September 2023 to serve at the pleasure of the President;
- c. **Assoc. Prof. CHERISH AILEEN AGUILAR BRILLON** as Special Assistant to the Vice President, Office of the Vice President for Public Affairs and Director, UP Padayon Public Service Office, effective 1 June 2023 to serve at the pleasure of the Vice President for Public Affairs;
- d. **Prof. MARIA VANESSA LUSUNG-OYZON** as Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, UP Diliman effective 1 September 2023 to serve at the pleasure of the Chancellor;
- e. **Prof. RICKY B. NELLAS** as Executive Director, Center for Intelligent Systems, UP Diliman, effective 16 June 2023 until 15 June 2026;
- f. **Prof. GALILEO S. ZAFRA** as Director, UP Press, Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective 1 September 2023 until 31 August 2026;
- g. **Assoc. Prof. MICHELLE R. PALUMBARIT** as Director, Centre International de Formacion des Autorites et Leaders (CIFAL), Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective 1 September 2023 until 31 August 2026; and,
- h. **Asst. Professorial Fellow KYUNG MIN BAE** as Director, Korea Research Center, Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective 1 September 2023 until 31 August 2026.

**Board Action: CONFIRMED**

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## II. MATTERS FOR CONFIRMATION BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS (cont'd)

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2. Memorandum of Agreement between the University of the Philippines and the Department of Public Works and Highways - Region IV-A (DPWH R-IV-A) for the procurement of the contractor that will prepare the Detailed Architectural and Engineering Design (DAED) of UP Dasmariñas

**Board Action: CONFIRMED**

3. Memorandum of Understanding between the University of the Philippines Diliman and Mindanao State University-Iligan Institute of Technology (MSU-IIT) for academic collaboration

**Board Action: CONFIRMED**

4. Confirmation of the graduation of students whose names are included in the lists submitted by the following Constituent Universities, who have completed all the requirements for their respective degrees/titles as of the end of the First and Second Semesters/Trimesters, and Mid-Year AY 2022-2023, or as of the end of term specified, and recommended by their respective University Councils:

- a. UP Diliman (*approved by UP Diliman University Council at its 182<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 16 October 2023*)
- b. UP Los Baños (*approved by UP Los Baños University Council at its 153<sup>rd</sup> regular meeting held on 11 October 2023*)
- c. UP Manila (*approved by UP Manila University Council at its 121<sup>st</sup> regular meeting held on 22 September 2023*)
- d. UP Visayas (*approved by UP Visayas University Council at its 132<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 04 October 2023*)

## **II. MATTERS FOR CONFIRMATION BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS (cont'd)**

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4. Confirmation of the graduation of students whose names are included in the lists submitted by the following Constituent Universities... (cont'd)

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- e. UP Baguio (*approved by UP Baguio University Council at its 86<sup>th</sup> regular meeting held on 25 September 2023*)
- f. UP Cebu (*approved by UP Cebu University Council at its 21<sup>st</sup> regular meeting held on 20 September 2023*)

**Board Action: CONFIRMED**

### **5. Matters approved by the Board of Regents by referendum:**

**25 September 2023**

**“Procurement of a Three-Year Subscription to Google Workspace for Education Plus for Existing UP Mail via Alternative Procurement”**

**05 October 2023**

**“Request of the Philippine General Hospital for Programming of UPM-PGH's Unprogrammed Income in FY 2022 in the amount of P75,000,000.00 for the Central Block Elevator Lobby Renovation”**

**Board Action: CONFIRMED**

### **III. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS**

1. Change of date of the 121st regular University Council meeting of UP Manila for Academic Year 2023-2024 from September 20, 2023 (Wednesday) to September 22, 2023 (Friday).
2. Supplemental Agreements between the University of the Philippines and the Commission on Higher Education in relation to two Lakas Projects

### **IV. OTHER MATTERS**

1. **Appeal of Mr. Ralph Jason Caballes to the Board of Regents from the decision of the Dean of the UP Cebu College of Science regarding the imposition of penalty course as a condition for the waiver of the maximum residence rule**
  - 1.1 Vice President for Legal Affairs Abraham Rey Acosta gave a factual background of the appeal, as well as the rules of the University pertinent to the same.
  - 1.2 Regent Pagdanganan inquired whether the decision of the Dean is appealable under the rules of the University, to which Vice President Acosta replied that the appeal is appealable to the Chancellor. He added, however, that the appellant filed an appeal directly to the Board of Regents without going through channels. After further discussions, Regent Pagdanganan moved that the Board remand the appeal to the UP Cebu Chancellor for appropriate action. There being no objections to the motion duly made and seconded, the appeal was remanded to the UP Cebu Chancellor.

**Board Action: REMANDED to UP Cebu  
Chancellor for  
appropriate action.**

#### IV. OTHER MATTERS (cont'd)

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- 2. Request of President Angelo A. Jimenez for authority to travel abroad, to attend the following events:**
  - a. To the United States of America from 13-16 November 2023, for the APEC University Leaders' Forum (AULF) 2023 and the APEC CEO Summit USA 2023; and,**
  - b. To Edinburgh, Scotland from 20-22 November 2023, for “Going Global 2023: The Conference for Leaders of International Tertiary Education”.**
- 2.1** President Jimenez shared that during the last meeting of the Association of Pacific Rim Universities (APRU), he was specifically requested by the heads of the member-universities of the APRU, to attend the 2023 APEC University Leaders' Forum, to present the perspectives of developing countries on global issues such as global warming and greenhouse gas emission.
- 2.2** Regent Pagdanganan moved for the approval of the two (2) requests. There being no objections to the motion duly made and seconded, the same were approved.

#### **Board Action: APPROVED**

- 3. Appointment of Regent Robert Lester F. Aranton as new member of the BOR Finance Committee**
  - 3.1** President Jimenez nominated Regent Aranton to be a member of the BOR Finance Committee *vice* former Alumni Regent Reynaldo C. Laserna. The other members of the BOR Finance Committee are Regents Mark Go and Raul Pagdanganan. There being no objections to the nomination, the same was approved.

#### **Board Action: APPROVED**

## **IV. OTHER MATTERS (cont'd)**

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### **4. Report on the Marine Science Institute (MSI) Marine Station**

- 4.1 The UP Diliman Marine Science Institute (MSI) team headed by College of Science Dean Giovanni Tapang, MSI Director Prof. Laura David, and MSI former Director Prof. Fernando Siringan presented the developments of their research work in the West Philippines Sea. For this purpose, the MSI research team travelled to the Kalayaan Island Group aboard the university's research vessel, the MV Panata. They confirmed the highly productive food resources of the West Philippines Sea's, and were able to document 33 new species of seaweeds, including the red algae Griffithsia which may be used in the production of anti-HIV drugs.
- 4.2 With the indulgence of the Board, Prof. Siringan introduced the MSI team of marine scientists and researchers who were in Pag-asa Island led by Dr. Cesar Villanoy, Dr. Irene Rodriguez, and Dr. Caroline Marie Jaraula. The team also informed the Board that the MSI has a small research station on Pag-asa Island called the Pag-asa Island Research Station (PIRS), which also doubles as the dormitory and laboratory of the marine scientists and researchers. They then asked the support of the Board for the construction of a proper dormitory for the marine scientists and researchers in the amount of P20 Million.
- 4.3 After further discussions, President Jimenez instructed Prof. Siringan to submit the proposal to the Office of the President, including the financial requirements. He added that he will study the proposal first and bring it up to the Board once ready.

**Board Action: NOTED**



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