

# BULLETIN

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## TSU gears for 2nd Institutional Accreditation Visit



Stakeholders of Tarlac State University welcomed accreditors from the Accrediting Agency of Chartered Colleges and Universities in the Philippines (AACCUP), Inc. with a vibrant opening program Monday, December 4, 2017 to formally start the agency's 2nd Institutional Accreditation Survey of the university at the TSU Gym.

TSU Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Armee N. Rosel, delivered the program's opening remarks followed by an introduction of key officials of the university. The Vice Presidents presented all the Directors under their respective offices. AACCUP member and Caraga State University President Dr. Anthony M Penaso gave a preview of the activities in the weeklong accreditation visit. Dr. Raul E. Muyong introduced each of his co-accreditors comprising the Accreditation team.

TSU President Dr. Myrna Q. Mallari, in her welcome address, presented the milestones of the University during her administration. The president especially mentioned Jalara Narciso, a BS Elementary Education graduate who placed fourth

overall in the recent Licensure Examination for Professional Teachers or LET.

To light up the program, Prof. Gherold C. Benitez, professor at the College of Arts and Social Sciences and TSUFPU President performed an intermission number and sang "You Raise Me Up". Before the program ended, University Quality Assurance Director, Dr. Elizabeth A. Amurao announced the clusters for each area to undergo accreditation together with the schedule of activities for the 3-day accreditation visit.

### **"Persistence towards Higher Quality Services and Education"- Cluster III and VI Accreditation**

The AACCUP Accreditation Team of Dr. Divina Gracia M. De Guzman and Dr. Thelma T. Lanuza were warmly welcomed at the TSU Hotel by faculty and personnel who gathered for the Cluster III and IV evaluation last December 4, 2017. The team is part of the AACCUP Accreditation team visiting the University for the second time to survey the latter for Institutional Accreditation.

The opening program started with a prayer followed by the welcome address

of Dr. Marie Paz Angeles. Up for evaluation were the Human Resources Management and Development Unit, Cluster III, headed by Ms. Geraldine Ann Lenon, TSU HRMDU Director, and the Office of Student Affairs, Cluster VI headed by Prof. Gladie Natherine Cabanizas, Student Affairs Director.

Ms. Lenon started with a power point presentation of HRMDU's achievements, which included trainings, seminars, and other similar activities geared at improving and enhancing the unit's hiring and system procedures. Prof. Cabanizas presided over the OSA's presentation, highlighted by programs to improve and maintain the highest level of service and support for students. Innovative activities like "Jumpstart", and a Leadership Planning Summit were presented. Ms. Lenon also showcased the scholarship program for deserving students. College of Education Dean Dr. Julieta Lagasca headed the Teaching and Instruction areas of the accreditation. She expressed her thanks to the accreditation team for inspiring the Colleges to raise their level of excellence in

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## TSU Firefox retains 3rd runner-up spot in SUC III Olympics 2017



**Tarlac State University retained last year's 3rd runner up spot, or fourth overall in the recently concluded 2017 State Universities and Colleges (SUC) III Olympics hosted by Bulacan State University last December 17 – 22.**

The TSU Firefox bagged a total of 106 medals – 42 bronzes, 48 silvers and 15 golds – in the annual meet participated in by 18 SUCs in Central Luzon.

Bulacan State University (BSU) secured its 21st year of supremacy by

besting the field with a total of 228 medals. The Central Luzon State University (CLSU) Cobras came in second again this year with 221 medals, followed by the Bataan Peninsula State University (BPSU) Stallions who tallied 148.

"Ang target sana eh at least 2nd runner up tayo. Hopefully next year 'pag mag host tayo, ma-improve pa yan (overall ranking)," said Dr. Ligaya S. Salangsang, Head of the Sports Development and Management Unit. "What is important are these people (TSU athletes) nag-transform sila into better individuals," she added. The outspoken director said that she was proud of the athletes' achievements.

Salangsang also stated that the office will conduct a post-evaluation meeting with the trainers and coaches regarding the result of the past sports event.

"Since tayo ang magho-host next year, ipo-propose ko sa meeting 'yong preparation, tapos assess natin mga lapses, kung ano 'yong dapat nating i-correct."

TSU hopes to finish in the top three of the overall standings in next year's SUC III Olympics.

## TSU celebrates Year-End Thanksgiving

The Tarlac State University celebrated its holiday season Thanksgiving party last December 15, 2017 at the TSU gymnasium. Officials, personnel, employees and students joined together in a grand celebration which featured loads of raffle prizes, gifts, goodies and food to usher in the Yuletide cheer.

TSU President Dr. Myrna Q. Mallari spearheaded the activity. In her opening remarks, she thanked all the employees and personnel of the University for their hard work, industry and perseverance during the year. "It was truly a fruitful year for the University," she said.

The celebration saw several offices, units and colleges performing musical numbers on stage to the delight of the holiday crowd.

No less than the Governor of the Province of Tarlac, the Honorable Susan Yap was on hand to join the



celebration. The lady Governor addressed the TSU community and thanked the administration for their continued support for the projects of the Provincial government. As a token, Governor Yap handed to Dr. Mallari on behalf of the Provincial government, the keys to a brand

new vehicle - a Hyundai Coaster - for the University's use.

More prizes were raffled off thereafter and at the end of the program, everybody left with cheers and smiles on their faces.





# TSU welcomes New E-jeep

The University Research Office, Procurement Office, and the Budget Office presented to TSU President, Dr. Myrna Q. Mallari last December 8, 2017, the first ever University "E-Jeep" – a new three-wheeled motor vehicle with a cab that will be useful in ferrying people and personnel to and fro and in and around the vast TSU campuses. Witnessing the turnover were Prof. Leo Piao, Research Office Director, Director Redemptor Toledano of the University Planning Office, Budget Office Director Jesus Danganan, Chief Administrative Officer for Finance, John Erwin Panlilio, and Theresa Penano, OIC Director for Procurement.

The project vehicle runs on pure electricity, using a powerful electric motor capable of carrying eight full sized individuals including the driver, and carrying them up to 65 kilometers in a single charge. Charging the battery is as easy as plugging a cellphone to an ordinary AC outlet. The vehicle is cost efficient, convenient, silent,



easy to maneuver and park, and emits no harmful fumes or emissions. Designed after the iconic Philippine transport vehicle, the jitney, the E-Jeep is the first public transport of its kind in Southeast Asia which was launched on July 1, 2008 in a historic drive along Ayala Avenue in Makati. According to

Director Piao, the E-jeep may soon be the precursor of a planned solar powered jeep in the University.

With the E-Jeep, the University hopes to maximize transport services and supplement existing ones in the University for the benefit of the TSU community.

## PGT donates Coaster to TSU



**The Provincial Government of Tarlac (PGT) headed by Gov. Susan A. Yap donated a brand new Hyundai Coaster to Tarlac State University (TSU) last December 15, 2017 at the TSU Gym.**

Attending the celebration of the university's year end thanksgiving party, the Lady Governor took the occasion to thank the TSU administration for their support of the Provincial Government's programs. Emphasizing the spirit of the celebration, Governor Yap quipped, "Syempre, hindi naman ako pupunta rito

nang walang dalang regalo sa inyo." The Governor then announced she was handing over the keys to a brand new vehicle to the University. TSU President Dr. Myrna Q. Mallari gladly accepted the gift.

"Actually, budget ang hinihingi natin tapos dadagdagan na lang sana to buy, pero buong bus na ang binibigay," Dr. Mallari said while holding the governor's present. The new coaster bus can be used by students and personnel of the University for their Official Business Travel.

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the service of their students.

### **Institutional Accreditation (IA) Survey Visits: Cluster 4 Presentation.**

Dr. Nenita I. Prado of Central Mindanao University and Dr. Marlene B. Atinyao of Benguet State University led the Institutional Accreditation survey for the areas in Cluster 4, namely, Research and Extension, and Consultancy and Linkages. The visit took place last December 4, 2017 at the RED Building Training Room, TSU Lucinda Campus.

Dr. Leo P. Piao, Director for the University Research Office, gave a short presentation of his office's programs and milestones since 2015. Meanwhile, Dr. Lea B. Milan shared the Extension Services Unit's projects, activities and best practices.

Other university officials present during the Cluster 4 presentation were Dr. Glenard T. Madriaga, Dr. Louella F. Ona, Dir. Redemptor G. Toledano and Dr. Nicanor C. Caingat, who accommodated questions from the accreditors.





## TSU Institutional Accreditation: Exit Conference and Closing Program



### TARLAC CITY, Philippines -

The three-day Institutional Accreditation Survey Visit by the Accrediting Agency of Chartered Colleges and Universities in the Philippines (AACUP), Inc. officially ended with an Exit/Closing Program held at the TSU Alumni Center, Lucinda Campus on Thursday, December 7, 2017.

University key officials and some faculty and staff attended the said program which started at 3:00 in the afternoon.

During the program, Dr. Luis M. Sorolla, Jr., the accreditation team leader, delivered the summary of reports, strengths, findings and recommendation for each cluster and area that were submitted for evaluation.

TSU President Dr. Myrna Q. Mallari expressed her appreciation to the accreditors and reiterated her commitment to excellence. Together with the entire TSU community, she vowed to sustain the gains of the university and promised to continue offering quality programs and services to the students.

The audience gave a round of applause to the accreditation team which joined the TSU officials, faculty and staff

in a special dance number that they have prepared for the occasion. After this, the awarding of Certificates to the accreditors took place.

Quality assurance Director, Dr. Elizabeth A. Amurao, gave the closing remarks and expressed her gratitude to the accreditors for taking time to be with TSU in the institutional survey visit despite their hectic schedules.

Dr. Amurao congratulated everyone for surviving the Institutional Accreditation process. "The dedication and cooperation of the members of the administrative council is commendable. The commitment of everyone is most manifested among the new focal persons, and the new local counterparts. Boxes and boxes of documents were brought to Room 105 for evaluation aside from the documents already prepared beforehand. Congratulations, you survived the process and I am sure that the experience you gained in this exercise has equipped you and made you even wiser in the next visits to come," she remarked.

The results of the accreditation survey visit will be deliberated on and then released on December 14, 2017.



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