

[BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 512, June 10, 1983]

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF NABUA, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR, TO BE KNOWN AS THE CAMARINES SUR POLYTECHNIC COLLEGES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.

Be it enacted by the Batasang Pambansa in session assembled:

SECTION 1. There is hereby established a polytechnic college within the campus of the Nabua National High School in the Municipality of Nabua, Province of Camarines Sur, to be known as the Camarines Sur Polytechnic Colleges, hereinafter referred to in this Act as the Colleges.

SEC. 2. The Colleges shall primarily provide higher technological professional and vocational instruction and training in fisheries, trades and technology, arts and sciences, as well as short-term technical or vocational courses, as the Board of Trustees may deem necessary, and shall promote researches in the exploitation and conservation of the natural resources in the province.

SEC. 3. No student shall be denied admission to the Colleges by reason of age, sex, ethnic consideration, religious belief, or political affiliation.

SEC. 4. The head of the Colleges shall be known as the President of the Camarines Sur Polytechnic Colleges. He shall be appointed by the President of the Philippines upon recommendation of the Board of Trustees which shall fix his compensation, subject to Presidential Decree No. 985 and other pertinent budget and compensation laws, and term of office.

The powers and duties of the President of the Colleges, in addition to those specifically provided for in this Act, shall be those usually pertaining to the office of the president of a college.

SEC. 5. The governing body of the Colleges shall be the Board of Trustees of the Camarines Sur Polytechnic Colleges. It shall be composed of the Minister of Education, Culture and Sports as the chairman, the Provincial Governor of Camarines Sur, the President of the Colleges, the Bicol River Basin Development Project Program Director and three (3) other residents of the Province of Camarines Sur as members who shall be appointed by the President of the Philippines, one in the field of fisheries, one in trades and technology, one in arts and letters, and one in sciences. Of the three members first appointed by the President, one is to serve two years; one to serve three years; and one for four years. Thereafter, persons appointed to succeed such members shall hold office for a term of four years and until their successors shall have been appointed and qualified. In case of permanent vacancy, the position shall be filled by appointment of the President of the Philippines.

Such appointee shall hold office for the unexpired term only.

The Minister of Education, Culture and Sports and the Governor of the Province of Camarines Sur may designate their respective representatives in the Board who

shall have all the powers and privileges pertaining to their offices. In the absence of the Minister of Education, Culture and Sports who is the chairman of the Board, the members of the Board present may elect the temporary chairman to preside over the meeting.

SEC. 6. A quorum of the Board of Trustees shall consist of a majority of all the members holding office at the time a meeting is called. All processes against the Board of Trustees shall be served on the President or Secretary thereof.

SEC. 7. The members of the Board of Trustees shall be entitled to an allowance of not less than two hundred pesos per meeting actually attended: *Provided*, That they shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in attendance of meetings and other official business authorized by resolution of the Board, subject to existing budget laws on honoraria and allowances.

SEC. 8. The Board of Trustees, in addition to its general powers of administration and the exercise of all the powers of corporation as provided in Section Thirty-six of Batas Pambansa Blg. 68, otherwise known as the Corporation Code of the Philippines, shall have the following powers and duties:

(a) To receive and appropriate for the purpose specified by law such sums as may be provided for the support of the Colleges;

(b) To confer degrees upon successful candidates for graduation, it may also confer honorary degrees upon persons in recognition of learning, statesmanship or eminence in any of the fields of specialization of the Colleges, or in recognition of public service: *Provided*, That such degrees shall not be conferred in consideration of or to reciprocate some personal favor;

(c) To authorize the President of the Colleges to award proficiency certificates or diplomas to students who have completed non-degree courses;

(d) To organize academic units and courses as may be necessary to meet the economic and social needs of the Province of Camarines Sur;

(e) To appoint, on recommendation of the President of the Colleges, academic and administrative officials, faculty and employees of the Colleges, to fix their compensations, subject to Presidential Decree No. 985 and other pertinent budget and compensation laws, hours of service, and to perform such other duties and conditions as it may deem proper; to grant to them, in its discretion, leaves of absence under such regulations as it may promulgate; any provisions of existing laws to the