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MECS MEMORANDUM
No. 172, s. 1984

REGIONAL CONFERENCES ON NEW REGULATIONS AFFECTING PRIVATE SCHOOLS

To: Deputy Ministers
Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Superintendents
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities
Heads of Private Schools, Colleges and Universities
Vocational School Superintendents/Administrators

1. The Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports, the Coordinating Council of Private Educational Associations (COCOPEA) and the Federation of Accrediting Associations in the Philippines (FAAP) are sponsoring a series of regional conferences primarily to discuss the Education Act of 1982 and its implementing rules and regulations, delegation of authority to the regional offices, MECS Order No. 36, s. 1984 and other proposals for regulating private schools.
2. The conferences aim to serve as a dialogue between school heads from the private education sector and the MECS regional division officers on matters affecting the implementation of national policies on the regional level.
3. Regional directors, schools superintendents and the chiefs of the divisions at the regional offices are enjoined to attend the conferences. Private school supervisors in areas where there are many private schools may be authorized by the regional directors to attend, provided that the total delegation from each region will not exceed twenty-five (25) persons.
4. The necessary costs may be charged to appropriate funds. Government representatives shall be exempted from the payment of registration fees.
5. Inclosed are the conference fact sheet and program.
6. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

(SGD.) JAIME C. LAYA
Minister

Incls.:

As stated

References: MECS Order Nos. 26, and (26, s. 1984)

Allotment: 1-4-(D.O. 1-76)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

-CONFERENCE

-OFFICIALS

-SOCIETY or ASSOCIATIONS

REGIONAL CONFERENCES ON PRIVATE SCHOOL REGULATIONS

Rationale

One of the problems that besets the educational system is the lack of an effective mechanism to coordinate the implementation of national policies in the regional level, particularly in the private education sector.

Of late, the government, through the Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports, (MECS) and the private sector through the Coordinating Council of Private Educational Associations (COCOPEA) have established a closer link to formulate education policies as well as to coordinate their implementation particularly in the private education sector. So far, this collaboration has been limited on the national level.

So that the benefits of this collaboration may filter down to the regional level, the COCOPEA has taken the initiative to conduct regional conferences in the different regions, to get together in a dialogue school heads from the private sector and MECS regional officers to thresh out problems and come up with mutually beneficial solutions.

The need for this dialogue has become even more imperative since the passage of the Education Act of 1982, which brought about a different ballgame in the entire educational system. Thus, the most urgent agenda of the regional conferences is the Education Act of 1982, specifically, the implementing rules and regulations, and particularly on the regional level.

COCOPEA also views the regional conferences as an opportune moment to identify the thrust of the organization on the regional level, and strengthen inter-school linkages which ultimately will lead to the establishment of COCOPEA regional chapters. Such chapters may then serve as the link of the regions with the national organization, thereby establishing the mechanism which hopefully will facilitate communication and implementation of national policies.

Objectives

1. To discuss urgent issues concerning the Education Act of 1982 and its implementing rules and regulations, as well as areas of cooperation between the MECS regional offices and the private education sector;
2. To identify the COCOPEA thrust in the regional level;
3. To strengthen inter-school linkages that will lead to the establishment of COCOPEA regional chapters which in turn will serve as the link of the national organization with the region.

Schedule

<u>Region</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Coordinator</u>	<u>Date</u>
NCR	CEU, Manila	Dr. Rosita Navarro	January 10-11, 1985
I and 2	St. Louis University Baguio City	Louise Letisoy	February 7-8, 1985
3,4 and 5	Assumption College	Sr. Luz Emmanuel Soriano, R.S.	January 17-18, 1985
6	Central Philippines University	Dr. Agustin Fulido	November 29-30, 1984
7 and 8	University of San Carlos, Cebu City	Fr. Florante Camacho, SVD	November 22-23, 1984
9, 10, 11, 12, 13, Davao	Holy Cross of Davao	Emilio Palma Gil	December 18-19, 1984

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PARTICIPANTS: There are two groups of participants. The first group is composed of school heads from member schools of the COCOPEA, namely CEAP, ACSC, FASCU, PAPSCU and FAPTI. The other group is composed of officers from MECG regional offices; namely the Regional Directors, Private School Supervisors, in all levels, and Division School Superintendents.

REGISTRATION FEE: \$100.00 per participant to cover lunch, 3 snacks and program materials.

PROPOSED PROGRAM

DAY 1 (Thursday)

A.M.

7:00 - 8:00	Registration	
8:00 - 8:30	Opening Ceremony National Anthem	
	Welcome Remarks	President of Conference Venue
	Overview	Conference Coordinator
8:30 - 9:45	Topic 1 Policy Objectives and New Provisions in the Education Act	Dr. Amado Dizon
9:45 - 10:00	Break	
10:00 - 11:00	Topic 2 School Governance and Finance	Atty. Tomas Santos
11:00 - 12:00	Open Forum	
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch Break	

P.M.

1:30 - 2:30	Topic 3 Rights and Obligations of School Personnel	Dr. Amado Dizon
2:30 - 3:30	Topic 4 Personnel Standards Transactions and Relations	Atty. Tomas Santos
3:30 - 3:45	Break	
4:00 - 5:00	Open Forum	

DAY 2

A.M.

8:00 - 8:45	c/o FAAP	
	Opening Remarks	Dr. Faustino Quicho
	Presentations	Director Dumlao
	MECS Order 36	Asst. Director Rosas
	Role of FAAP	Atty. Modesto Rico
		Atty. Jose Batazar
9:45 - 10:00	Break	
10:00 - 11:30	Open Forum	
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch Break	

P.M.

1:00 - 2:00	Regional Interactions	
	Presentations	Min. Felipe
	Regionalization of MECL Functions	
	MECS-COCOPERA	
	Relationships	Bro. Rolando R. Dizon, FSC
2:00 - 3:30	Interaction	
3:30 - 3:45	Break	
3:45 - 5:00	Policy Statement Recommendations/ Resolutions	Min. Jaime C. Laya
		Conference Coordinator

CLOSING CEREMONY

