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REVITALIZATION OF THE MEC BASEBALL PROGRAM

To: Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Superintendents  
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities

1. Inclosed is the MEC Baseball Program duly approved by the Minister of Education and Culture for the guidance and implementation of the field.
2. This program shall be implemented in the spirit of cooperative efforts between the Ministry of Education and Culture and Project Director P.R. Pangilinan of Traders Royal Bank. The pointers embodied in this guideline are suggestive in nature. MEC Regional Directors who are officially designated as Project Regional Directors in the promotion of baseball in their respective areas are free to enrich and modify the program to suit their needs and local conditions.
3. Immediate implementation is desired.

(SGD.) ONOFRE D. CORPUZ  
Minister of Education and Culture

Inc.:  
As stated

Reference:  
MEC Order No. 30, s. 1980

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Objectives:

1. Provide greater impetus to the MEC Baseball Program in the:
  - a. Development of training and technical staff for the promotion of national and regional baseball competitions.
  - b. Development of baseball players for the national and international competitions.
  - c. Improvement of existing baseball facilities in all MEC sports centers.
2. Total development of the personality of the Filipino youth (physical, mental, social and emotional) through baseball as a sports.

Targets and Scope of the Baseball Program:

The target of this program is the in-school youth - the elementary school boys 9 to 13 years old and the secondary school boys 14 to 18 years old.

Policies and Strategies:

1. As a national policy, all matters regarding the effective and proper implementation of the baseball program should emanate from the MEC Sports Office in coordination with the Baseball Project Director.
2. Creation of a Regional Implementing Committee, under the chairmanship of the MEC Regional Director as Baseball Project Regional Director assisted by the Regional Project Coordinator and the Regional Physical Education Supervisor.
3. Creation of a Division Coordinating Committee headed by the division/city superintendent assisted by the division/city physical education supervisor.

4. Programs/projects should be prioritized and should be focussed on the existing needs of the Baseball Development Program.
5. Coordinate efforts among personnel from the MEC Sports Office down to the school district level-with the assistance of the Project Director, they shall be properly oriented on the program thrust of baseball through conferences and reading materials issued from time to time.
6. Monitoring of the effectiveness of the program should be done in all levels.

The above-mentioned committees should, from time to time, confer and consult each other for an effective implementation of the program.

Major thrust of the Baseball Program:

I - Technical, Staff Development -

Basic Training of:

A. Coaches and Trainers -

1. Holding of a yearly seminar workshop on the regional level to be attended by prospective baseball coaches within the region - Qualified to attend this training will be coaches with P.E. majors or minors. In case there are none the Regional Baseball Project Director will have his final recommendation.
2. Summer training of talented young baseball coaches.
3. Sending of outstanding national coaches for observation of games and facilities abroad.
4. Formation of baseball coaches and trainers association to foster brotherhood and understanding.

B. Referees, umpires and scorers task force -

1. Hold seminars and workshops within the region to update competencies. These group should be P.E. majors and minors with a rich background in baseball officiating.

2. Summer training for this group of baseball technicians.
3. International training and travel grants to observe officiating abroad.

C. Tournament Directors, Managers and others -

1. Hold workshops and seminars on the regional level; qualified to attend will be school personnel who have extensive background in running baseball competition and athletic meets on the regional and national level.
2. Summer training for this group to provide them with experience through actual management of baseball summer leagues.
3. International training and/or travel grants to observe abroad.

D. Para Medico (Sports Medicine)

This group will be composed of medical people and volunteer workers.

1. Hold workshop and seminars in the regional level. Qualified in this program are school physicians, teachers who had some training and rich background on first aid and volunteer medical workers.
2. Summer training - to provide extensive training on this aspect of the program to have a pool of experts from provincial, regional or national baseball tournaments.
3. International training - Provide travel grants to attend seminars and forums in sports medicine abroad, particularly in Europe, where sports medicine is extremely being practiced.

I - Baseball Facilities and Equipment Development -

- A. Rehabilitation of existing baseball diamonds and construction of standard ones - Target of this program is one for each school district.
- B. Acquisition of Baseball equipment like bats, balls, masks, mitts etc. to be supplied to division teams.

- C. Provide regional champion teams with complete equipment, uniforms and spike shoes for their participation in national meet.

III - Baseball Players Development -

A. Children's Level -

1. Start the basic movement skill of the sport in the higher primary during the P.E. program with lead-up games.
2. Expose the children to the game through intramurals, unit, municipal, district and city/provincial athletic meets.
3. Provide summer baseball training camps for each province. Train representative teams from each unit of the province in the rudiments of baseball tournaments and provide certificates of appreciation and awards for outstanding camp teams.

B. Boys Level (Secondary)

1. Expose the teams in intramurals, unit and municipal meets.
2. Organize various baseball competitions on the provincial, regional, and national levels prior to their competitions in Palarong Pambansa.
  - a. Invitational Games and Cup baseball tournament must be fully subsidized.
3. Organize a regional pool of baseball players who have played or participated in 10 tournaments sanctioned by MEC to include unit, provincial and regional meets.
4. Send the MEC national baseball champion to participate in either cup, invitational, or international competitions.

IV - Incentives Motivations

A. Technical Staff -

1. Travel grants and scholarship for the personnel of the MEC Sports Office and baseball coaches of the regional and school divisions.

2. All trainings undergone by coaches and other school personnel in the promotion of baseball be recognized as credit units in their educational advancement.
3. Insurance coverage during training periods and competitions.

B. Athletes

1. Full scholarship in the secondary school.
2. Placement of outstanding secondary school baseball players for possible college scholarship or employment.
3. Travel grants and international training for outstanding elementary and secondary school baseball players.
4. Automatic insurance coverage during regional, invitational and Palaro games.

Additional guidelines will be issued in due time.