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RESOLUTION NO. 017, SERIES OF 2022

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING RULES AND GUIDELINES OF MITING DE AVANCE FOR THE STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2022

WHEREAS, the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) stands as the highest policy-making body for all election matters in the Polytechnic University of the Philippines (PUP) - Main Campus;

WHEREAS, the Commission convened online on September 13, 2022;

WHEREAS, all the Commissioners were present, thus the meeting was in quorum;

WHEREAS, Miting de Avance was defined under Article VI Section 37 of Student Council Act No. 002 series of 2022 also known as the "Election Code of the PUP Student Council" and Article VI Section 2 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations;

Miting De Avance. - The Miting de Avance shall be held on the last day of the campaign period. Provided that the Commission on Election shall release guidelines for the Miting de Avance. The Commission shall encourage and provide support to colleges who will conduct their own Miting de Avance.

WHEREAS, the dates for the Miting de Avance were explained in the Resolution No. 014 series of 2022 also known as "A Resolution Amending the Election Calendar for the PUP Student Elections 2022", which was posted and disseminated on the 7th of September 2022;

- *September 26-28: Local Student Councils' (LSC) Miting de Avance*
- *September 29: Sentral na Konseho ng Mag-aaral's (SKM) Miting de Avance*



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WHEREAS, on the 12th of August 2022, the Commission released Resolution No. 004 series of 2022, also known as “A Resolution on the Establishment of the Finance Committee and Events Management & Technical Committee”;

WHEREAS, the functions and characteristics of the Events Management & Technical Committee were defined under Resolution No. 004 series of 2022;

- *The Committee shall be responsible for the conduct of the Commission’s public events.*
- *The Committee shall be in-charge of the technological management involved in the Commission’s physical and/or virtual activities.*

WHEREAS, upon the discussion done by the Commission, the Miting de Avance guidelines shall be primarily formulated by the Events Management & Technical Committee;

WHEREAS, College of Business Administration Commissioner Joyce Marie L. Tolentino, the Head of Events Management & Technical Committee, presented and discussed the formulated guidelines for Miting de Avance;

WHEREAS, the Commission decided to make the Local Student Councils’ (LSC) Miting de Avance online;

WHEREAS, the Commission decided to make the Sentral na Konseho ng Mag-aaral’s (SKM) Miting de Avance face-to-face inside the University, which will also be broadcasted online;

WHEREAS, the Commission decided not to make the Miting de Avance mandatory, meaning the candidates are not required to attend it but rather encouraged;



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WHEREAS, the Commission decided to make the Miting de Avance voluntary through a registration that will be opened by the Commission;

WHEREAS, the guidelines of Miting de Avance for the Local Student Councils were presented through the meeting:

MDA GUIDELINES FOR LOCAL STUDENT COUNCIL

A. EVENT SCHEDULES

1. The Miting de Avance (MDA) per Local Student Council will be voluntarily and shall be done upon request. Filing for MDA request may be done from **September 21-24**.
2. The schedules for Local Student Council MDA is from **September 26 to 28**. The time slot will depend upon its availability within the preferred date, which will only be confirmed by the Commission. The maximum schedule for MDA sessions will be **three (3) per day** with a **1-hour gap** in between. The following are the available time slots:
 - a. **10:00am to 12:00pm (morning session)**
 - b. **1:00pm to 3:00pm (afternoon session)**
 - c. **4:00pm to 6:00pm (evening session)**
3. The concerned parties shall be in consensus regarding the scheduling of Local Student Council MDA. A letter containing the following details shall be submitted to the Commission's e-mail account **two (2) to three (3) days before the target date**:
 - a. **Date and Time;**
 - b. **Names of Candidates for both parties; and**
 - c. **Signature of their respective paralegals.**

B. PARTICIPANTS

1. All candidates for Local Student Council President, Vice President and Councillors together with their campaign managers must be present in the **meeting link thirty (30)**



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minutes before the MDA commences. There will be a short briefing before the MDA begins.

2. The Commissioners and Deputy Commissioners shall be present in the same meeting link.
3. Different official publications in PUP Main Campus who are invited by the Commission to cover the entire Miting De Avance (MDA) shall send **at most two (2) representatives.**

C. PLATFORM

1. The Commissioners and Deputy Commissioners, official candidates with their respective campaign managers, and representatives from official publications in PUP Main are the only allowed persons to enter the meeting link.
2. An invitation letter including **the zoom meeting link** will be sent to all participants involved **three (3) days before the event.**
3. All candidates and campaign managers are not allowed to give side comments to their opposition during the event to maintain orderliness inside the venue. The Commission has the power to remove anyone who will cause trouble inside the zoom meeting link after the first warning.
4. The Miting de Avance will be streamed **LIVE** on the official Facebook page of the COMELEC. The Commission has the power to restrict the comment section of the live event should there be any malicious statements and/or attacks from the viewers.
5. Live postings and/or tweets by the candidates/parties/slates through their official social media accounts shall be permitted for as long as it will not cause any trouble and/or harm to anyone.

D. MATERIALS FOR MDA

1. All physical campaign materials that will be used by the candidates/parties/slates shall be provided to the Commission **three (3) days before the MDA.** It may include



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PowerPoint presentation, audio-visual presentation, zoom backdrop, and other materials that they will maximize during the event.

- i. The Commission is responsible for checking the materials given by the candidates/parties/slates. All materials that will be presented during the main event will be managed by the events management and technical committee of COMELEC.
2. All candidates/slates/parties must submit a document containing the **list of their candidates and their platforms**. Any format will do for as long as all the details needed by the Commission are present in the document.
 - i. They must submit the file in pdf format with the filename: **[MDA_NAME OF PARTY/SLATE] or [MDA_NAME OF INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE]**.
 - ii. All files shall be submitted through Commission's e-mail.

E. PROGRAM FLOW

PROGRAM FLOW		
<i>Alloted Time</i>	<i>Program Segment</i>	<i>Persons Involved</i>
15 minutes	Short briefing of the Candidates	Overall Chair
5 minutes	Countdown	-
5 minutes	Doxology & National Anthem	-
5 minutes	Opening Spiels	Master of Ceremonies
40 minutes	Phase 1: Talk to the Isko and Iska (Brief introduction of each candidate together with their platforms)	Campaign Managers, All Candidates
40 minutes	Phase 2: Re-Aksyon (Question and Answer)	All Candidates



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5 minutes	BREAK	-
15 minutes	Phase 3: Your Choice! (Fast Talk)	Presidential and Vice Presidential Candidates
30 minutes	Phase 4: Iskwestiyons (Open Forum)	All Candidates
10 minutes	Phase 5: The Bottomline (Closing Statements)	Presidential Candidates
3 minutes	Takeaways	Masters of Ceremonies
3 minutes	Closing Remarks	Chairperson
3 minutes	Announcements and Closing Spiels	Master of Ceremonies
3 minutes	PUP Hymn	-

F. BREAKDOWN OF MDA PARTS – The Miting de Avance will be divided into 5 phases;

PHASE 1: TALK TO THE ISKO AND ISKA – **Introduction of the Candidates**

i. The Campaign Manager shall introduce their party/slates/candidates **within three (3) minutes**. Any style of introduction is allowed. The Local Student Council Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates have **ten (10) minutes in total to introduce themselves and the platforms of their party/slate**. It is upon their discretion how they will present their platforms for as long as **it will not exceed 10 minutes**. For the candidates of Councilor position, they only have **two (2) minutes to introduce themselves**.

iii. The order of introduction will start from the Presidential candidate, then the Vice-Presidential candidate, and finally the candidates for Councilor.



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iv. The Commission will flash a timer for each candidate for them to be informed with their time. The moderator has the right to cut them off once they have already consumed the time allotted for them.

PHASE 2: RE-AKSYON – Question and Answer

- i. The Commission will have a set of questions for the candidates. The questions will be randomly crafted by the Commission.
- ii. The Commission will also post a **Google form link** on its Official Facebook page **three (3) days before the actual MDA** to allow all students of PUP Main Campus to address their questions.
- iii. Anyone from the candidates/slates/parties can answer the question unless the question pertains to a specific candidate.
- iv. The candidates will only have **two (2) minutes to answer the question**. The timer will start right after the question is completely delivered.
- v. Follow-up question/s may be asked by the moderator, which shall only be answered by **candidate in one (1) minute**. The timer will start right after the question is completely delivered.
- vi. The order of this portion shall be determined through draw lots during the briefing for MDA.
- vii. The Commission will flash a timer for each candidate for them to be informed with their time. The moderator has the right to cut them once they already consumed the time allotted for them.

PHASE 3: YOUR CHOICE! – Fast Talk

- i. The Commission will prepare a set of question/s for each **LSC Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidate only**.
- ii. Each Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidate has **two (2) minutes to answer all the questions** in the fast talk. The timer will start right after the question is completely delivered.



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iii. Questions must be either answerable by YES or NO or a choice between two things. Candidates are allowed to state their reason for their answer **within five (5) seconds only**.

PHASE 4: ISKWESTIYONS – Open Forum

- i. The Commission will allow the candidates to ask prepared questions to their opposition. Each party/slate can ask a maximum of **three (3) questions to other party/slate**. It is upon the discretion of the party/slate whom they will ask.
- ii. The candidate being asked is required to answer the question. They only have **two (2) minutes to answer each question given**. The timer will start right after the question is completely delivered.
- iii. The Commission has the right to interrupt at any moment once the question/s and/or answer/s of the candidates is/are deemed inappropriate, unethical, and/or against any other candidate.

PHASE 5: THE BOTTOMLINE – Closing Statements

- i. The LSC presidential candidates shall deliver their closing statements. They only have a **maximum of three (3) minutes** each to talk to their constituents and for their final words.

WHEREAS, the guidelines of Miting de Avance for the Central Student Council were presented through the meeting:

GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR CENTRAL STUDENT COUNCIL MDA

A. EVENT DATE AND TIME

1. The Miting de Avance (MDA) for Central Student Council shall be held on **September 29, 2021, the last day of campaign period, at exactly 1:00 PM** as stated in Article VI Section 2 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of 2022 Election Code of the PUP Student Council.



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B. PARTICIPANTS

1. All candidates for Central Student Council President, Vice President and Councillors together with their campaign managers must be present in the **venue 1 hour before the MDA commences**. There will be a short briefing before the MDA begins.
2. Selected Commissioners and Deputy Commissioners shall be present in the venue.
3. Different official publications in PUP Main Campus who are invited by the Commission to cover the entire Miting De Avance (MDA) shall send **at most two (2) representatives**.

C. PLATFORM

1. Selected Commissioners and Deputy Commissioners, official candidates with their respective campaign managers, and representatives from official publications in PUP Main are the only allowed persons to enter the venue.
2. An invitation letter will be sent to all participants involved **three (3) days before the event**.
3. All candidates and campaign managers are not allowed to give side comments to their opposition during the event to maintain orderliness inside the venue. The Commission has the power to escort anyone outside who will cause trouble inside the venue after the first warning.
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D. MATERIALS FOR MDA

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	(Brief introduction of each candidate together with their platforms)	
1 hour	Phase 2: Re-Aksyon (Question and Answer)	All Candidates
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WHEREAS, upon the deliberation and discussion, the Commission in quorum adopted the formulated Miting de Avance guidelines with no objections/contentions raised.



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NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power vested in the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) being the highest electoral policy-making body hereby establishes rules and guidelines of Miting de Avance for the Student Council Elections 2022, **BE IT RESOLVED AS IT HEREBY RESOLVES:**

THAT, the formulated guidelines of Miting de Avance for the Local Student Councils and Central Student Council as part of the Student Council Elections 2022 shall take effect immediately.

THAT, this will continue being implemented until another contradicting resolution is created.

THAT, the Commission shall send the student publications that were able to register to cover the happenings of Student Council Elections 2022 an invitation regarding the Miting de Avance in order to provide guidance and ensure a well-organized Miting de Avance.

THAT, the Commission shall inform the registered student publications of the formulated guidelines for Miting de Avance.

THAT, there shall be a furnished copy of this resolution, including any changes made hereto, to the official addresses of Local Student Councils residing in the Polytechnic University of the Philippines -Main Campus.

SO, ORDERED.



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