

Commission on Elections

RESOLUTION NO. 023, SERIES OF 2023

A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE CANDIDACIES OF KYLA MAE ESCABAS, GERALD EVANGELISTA, AND PATRICIA ANNE JAVIER

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

WHEREAS, on the 28th of July 2023, Kyla Mae Escabas and Patricia Anne Javier filed their Certificate of Candidacy (COC) for the position of Sentral na Konseho ng Mag-aaral (SKM) Councilor as independent candidates.

WHEREAS, on the 29th of July 2023, Gerald Evangelista filed her Certificate of Candidacy (COC) for the position of Sentral na Konseho ng Mag-aaral (SKM) Councilor as independent candidate.

WHEREAS, on the 5th of August 2023, the Commission released an official list of candidates, Kyla Mae Escabas, Gerald Evangelista, and Patricia Anne Javier were on the list.

WHEREAS, the withdrawal of candidacy was mentioned under Article V Section 30 of Student Council Act No. 001 series of 2023 or also known as the "PUP Student Council Election Code" and Article VI Section 1 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations;



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Certificate of Candidacy – No student shall be eligible for any elective office unless they file a sworn certificate of candidacy stated in the Calendar for the Period of Election as prescribed by the SCA. The COMELEC can adjust the calendar given there is a possibility of Force Majeure or Failure of Election. A person who has filed a certificate of candidacy may, prior to the election, withdraw the same by submitting to the Commission a written declaration.

WHEREAS, on the 10th of August 2023, Kyla Mae Escabas, Gerald Evangelista, and Patricia Anne Javier submitted their written declaration to the Commission.

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the power vested in the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) being the highest electoral policy-making body hereby acknowledges the withdrawal of the candidacies of Kyla Mae Escabas, Gerald Evangelista, and Patricia Anne Javier, **BE IT RESOLVED AS IT HEREBY RESOLVES:**

THAT, all the information of Kyla Mae Escabas, Gerald Evangelista, and Patricia Anne Javier that were collected by the Commission shall now be deleted from their database.

THAT, there shall be a furnished copy of this resolution, including any changes made hereto, to the official addresses of the Student Council Assembly, Sentral na Konseho ng Mag-aaral, Local Student Councils, Student Tribunal and Constitutional Commissions, and Student Publications residing in the Polytechnic University of the Philippines - Main Campus.

SO, ORDERED.



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