



Republic of the Philippines
Polytechnic University of the Philippines
Student Council Constitutional Commissions

Commission on Elections

RESOLUTION NO. 021 SERIES OF 2021

RULES FOR THE APPRECIATION OF BALLOTS

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

WHEREAS, eleven (11) out of fourteen (14) Commissioners were present, which are the commissioners from the College of Architecture, Design and Built Environment, College of Accountancy and Finance, College of Business Administration, College of Communication, College of Computer and Information Systems, College of Education, College of Engineering, College of Political Science and Public Administration, College of Social Sciences and Development, College of Tourism, Hospitality and Transport Management, and Institute of Technology, thus the meeting was in quorum;

WHEREAS, the commissioners from the College of Arts and Letters, College of Human Kinetics, and College of Science was not present;

WHEREAS, the canvassing of votes for the 2021 Student Council Elections will commence on September 29, 2021 and shall end on October 3, 2021;

WHEREAS, in Article XI Section 2 of the IRR states that in the reading and appreciation of ballots, every ballot shall be presumed to be valid unless there is clear and good reason to justify its rejection.

WHEREAS, the grounds stated in Resolution 19 s. 2021 shall reject the entire ballot.

WHEREAS, the following grounds shall render the vote invalid for a particular position:

- a) Voting more than the prescribed number of votes
 1. For the College Student Council, when a voter exceeds 6 votes, including abstentions, it shall render the votes invalid for the College Student Council Councilors
 2. For the Central Student Council, when a voter exceeds 12 votes, including abstentions, it shall render the votes invalid for the Central Student Council Councilors
- b) Voting for a disqualified candidate that was rendered final and executory by the Commission.

1. For the purposes of canvassing, the votes for the disqualified candidate/s shall be counted, however, shall not be included in the total number of valid votes but rather to the total number of valid ballots.

WHEREAS, abstentions shall not be included in the total number of valid votes but rather to the total number of valid ballots.

WHEREAS, the Commission voted unanimously in favor of this resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power vested in the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) being the highest electoral policy-making body hereby adopts this resolution BE IT RESOLVED AS IT HEREBY RESOLVES:

1. THAT, the Commission shall inform their constituents, mainly the prospective candidates and their paralegals, of these rules and guidelines, in order to provide guidance and have systematized elections;
2. TO INFORM AND FURNISH COPIES of this resolution, including any changes made thereto, to the official addresses of Local Councils residing in the Polytechnic University of the Philippines Main Campus.

SO, ORDERED.

(SGD) JANNETTE PRINCESS V. HINATE
Chairperson
College of Education Commissioner

(SGD) JANEL MARIEKE B. BAÑARIA
Vice Chairperson
College of Social Science and Development
Commissioner

ALEC MARIZ G. AVERILLA
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