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Republic of the Philippines VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY

Visca, Baybay, Leyte

BOR RESOLUTION NO. 20, s. 2019

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSED AFFIRMATIVE ADMISSION POLICY FOR CHILDREN OF UNDERPRIVILEGED FAMILIES AND OTHER DISADVANTAGED SECTORS OF SOCIETY

WHEREAS, the Leyte State University was created by virtue of Republic Act 9158 which converted the then Visayas State College of Agriculture (ViSCA) into a state university last 11 August 2001 and was later renamed Visayas State University (VSU) by virtue of R.A. 9437;

WHEREAS, Section 7 of R.A. 9158 specifically empowers the Board of Regents of the University to "exercise all the powers granted to the Board of Directors of a corporation under Section 36 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 68, otherwise known as the Corporate Code of the Philippines";

WHEREAS, Section 7, Paragraph (b) of R.A. 9158 empowers the Governing Board "to receive and appropriate all sums as may be provided for the support of the University in the manner it may determine, in its discretion, to carry out the purposes and functions of the University";

WHEREAS, the Congress recently passed R.A. 10931 which provides, among others "Free Tuition and Other School Fees" in all State Universities and Colleges (*SUCs*), Local Universities and Colleges (*LUCs*), and State-Run Technical and Vocational Institutions (*TVIs*);

WHEREAS, the VSU is an equal opportunity SUC providing admission to all interested individuals regardless of sex, sex orientation, disability, age, religion, affiliation, origin, race, etc...;

WHEREAS, the SY 2018-2019 data show that majority of the freshman students come from within the Province of Leyte (80%) and three fifths (60%) of all new freshman students come from low income families (less than P10,000/month);

WHEREAS, the VSU has identified Admission Testing Centers in strategic areas in the Visayas and in Mindanao;

WHEREAS, ten percent (10%) of the total number of freshman students admitted to the VSU will be reserved to the children of underprivileged families (4Ps), indigenous peoples (IPs), persons with disabilities (PWDs), and those children from far-flung barangays including those with limited access to ICT;

WHEREAS, the VSU is proposing for the establishment of a Special Financial Assistance Grant equivalent to fifteen (15) slots per year for the children of underprivileged families (4Ps), indigenous peoples (IPs), persons with disabilities (PWDs), and those children from far-flung barangays including those with limited access to ICT;

WHEREAS, the Special Financial Assistance Grant will provide a monthly stipend of P2,500.00, book allowance of P2,000.00 per semester and priority accommodation in the Student Dormitories of the University;

WHEREAS, funds supporting the Special Financial Assistance Grant will be sourced from internally generated income (*STF 05206441*) per annual Program of Receipts and Expenditures;

WHEREAS, the University will provide covered walks between buildings, ramps in all academic and administrative buildings, arm-chairs for left-handed students, and ensure that the visually impaired students will be seated in the front row in all classes;

WHEREAS, the proposal was discussed and approved by the University Administrative Council on the occasion of the 134th UADCO Meeting held last 26 February 2019 at 2/F, Center for Continuing Education Building, VSU Main Campus, Visca, City of Baybay, Leyte and the UADCO is strongly endorsing the proposal for Approval by the VSU Board of Regents.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED to Approve the proposed Affirmative Admission Policy for children of underprivileged families and other disadvantaged sectors of society.

IN WITNESS of our approval thereof, we hereby affix our signatures this 18th day of March 2019 at CHED Central Office, C.P. Garcia Avenue, UP Diliman, Diliman, Quezon City.

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