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SPECIAL COURSE ON EFFECTIVE LEGISLATION AND GOVERNANCE (LEGISGOV COURSE)

THE CENTER for Leadership, Citizenship and Democracy (CLCD) of the U.P. National College of Public Administration and Governance (UP-NCPAG) successfully completed its Special Course on Effective Legislation and Governance (LegisGov Course) held on 21-25 June 2010. Held at the U.P. NCPAG Assembly Hall, UP Diliman Campus, Quezon City, the participants in the course were thirty-nine incoming newly elected and/or returning legislators of the 15th Congress of the Philippines and their key staff members.

The five-day special program was specifically designed to equip legislators with knowledge and skills necessary to perform their role more effectively as members of the House of Representatives. It covered a variety of topics.

The course utilized a combination of interactive methodologies and tapped academics, practitioners, and the student scholars from the House of Representatives as resource persons.

The closing program was graced by the presence of no less than the President of the University of the Philippines Emerlinda R. Roman. Pres. Roman congratulated the graduates of the program and encouraged them to become allies in advocating a better country by being responsible legislators.

Representative Lani Mercado-Revilla of Cavite gave a heartwarming response from the participants during the closing program. Representative Leopoldo N. Bataoil of the 2nd District of Pangasinan likewise expressed gratitude and shared the collective feedback from the participants. The graduates gave a Plaque of Appreciation to NCPAG through Dean Alex B. Brillantes, Jr. and to the CLCD, received by Director Lily Z. Domingo.

Aside from Ms. Lani Mercado, Ormoc Representative Lucy Torres-Gomez and husband Richard Gomez also attended the course.

The course received positive evaluation from the participants and was widely covered by the media.

The LegisGov Course was conducted under the leadership of CLCD Director Lily Z. Domingo. University Extension Specialist Jean E. Nicolas served as course coordinator. The CLCD staff worked nights and weekends to prepare for the course.

The CLCD conducted a similar program for new legislators in the past and will continue offering similar programs in the future.

PHILIPPINE COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS (PCP)

THE PHILIPPINE College of Physicians (PCP) has partnered with the Center for Leadership, Citizenship and Democracy (CLCD) in the conduct of a planning workshop and organization development activities. Director Lily Z. Domingo and Ms. Jean E. Nicolas facilitated the workshop for board members and staff of PCP. The one-and-a-half-day activity was held on 4-5 June 2010 in Tagaytay. Charlie Cabotaje also joined the CLCD team to provide technical support.

The Center is now preparing the Terms of Reference for the succeeding activities with the PCP.

TRENDS IN LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE

THE CENTER is now using the news clippings collected by the student interns last summer as materials for its leadership and citizenship studies. The CLCD staff is currently identifying the trends in leadership and governance reflected in the news articles. It would be useful for potential expanded studies on the subject.

CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

THE CLCD has fulfilled its commitment to the NCPAG Library by providing the necessary materials and reports to be submitted to CHED. This is to support the application for recognition as a Center of