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TES now ready for distribution, Comm. De Vera says

By CLIFFORD COLIBAO

“Na-evaluate na namin ang 1.1 million applicants for 300 thousand slots at gusto kong sabihin na they will get their TES (Tertiary Education Subsidy) starting December this year,” newly appointed Commissioner for the Commission on Higher Education, Comm. J. Prospero E. De Vera III



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CHAMPION FOR STUDENT DEVELOPMENT. Newly-appointed commissioner for higher education, Dr. Prospero De Vera announced that the TES is now ready for downloading by the different university presidents come Tuesday, December 11.

announced during the opening program of the Regional State Colleges and Universities Athletic Association (SCUAA) Meet earlier this morning.

According to Comm. De Vera, the check for the TES budget is to be distributed and downloaded among the SUC Presidents on Tuesday, December 11.

“Inutosan ko na silang gumawa ng pay roll at ibigay din ang mga lista ng mga beneficiaries of TES,” the newly appointed commissioner said on his keynote address.

Among the 11 SUCs in the region, Eastern

Visayas State University got the most number of beneficiaries with 3,079 students of the 11,474 TES grantees to benefit from the said financial grant which will amount to Php 40,000.00 per year as part of the provisions for RA 10931.

“It really is a big help for us students who do not have much to sustain our college education. Should I be part of those students who qualified for TES, I’m pretty sure that I will be more than motivated to really do well and pursue my degree with a passion,” said Cherry Mae L. Tabuena, EVSU student, said. •



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Dr. Campoto: We hosted SCUAA 2018 because of 'hidden agenda'



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BETTER AGENDA. ESSU President, Dr. Edmundo Campoto wants the host university to be at par with international standards by the time the host the regional SCUAA some time in the future.

By **JEREMY M. LLORAG**

University President of this year's State Colleges and Universities Athletic Association Meet host school, Eastern Samar State University admitted that they chose to host the biggest sporting event in the region because of a "hidden agenda", which is to improve the physical resources of their university.

Dr. Edmundo A. Campoto said their pitch to host this year' regional event is rooted in the hopes of transforming the university into what they want it to be.

"Everytime there is

an event as big as this, the university is always transformed to what we want it to be. So today, as you can see, this is not yet the perfect university that we want. But more or less, there's a lot of things that happened for the past few months," Dr. Campoto said.

He, however, clarified that hosting this year's SCUAA Meet has not been easy.

"You know what it takes to host such a big event. It takes one year of preparation for the entire university. And I could just imagine the efforts exerted by our constituents. Nakakaiyakk yung ginawang aming mga officials in

order for us to be successful in hosting this event," said the host President who likewise expressed his gratitude to his staff and faculty. Dr. Campoto expressed his hopes that by the time ESSU bids to be the host school of the regional SCUAA again, their facilities will already be at par with the national standards through the help of the different politicians who graced the opening program held at the ESSU Grandstand yesterday.

"Enjoy the festivity, enjoy the SCUAA meet. Meet new friends, create new networks and make your stay in ESSU as memorable as it could be," Dr. Campoto said.



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A PROMISE OF IMPROVEMENT. Asec. Anthony Goonzales promised to maximize his network to make sure that Eastern Samar will be provided with better sporting facilities.

Victory is secondary to sportsmanship – Comm. De Vera



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UNIFIED COMMUNITY. Dr. J. Prospero E. De Vera III made the University of the Philippines as an example on how athletes can compete without losing respect in other players and establishing a community that is united for a single cause - excellence.

By **CHERRY MAE L. TABUENA**

Newly-appointed Commissioner for the Commission on Higher Education, Comm. J. Prospero E. De Vera III encouraged all the delegates of the Regional State Colleges and Universities Athletic Association Meet 2018 to “be humble in victory and make the best representation of yourself” in his keynote address during the opening program of the biggest sporting event in the region, December 9.

“Sportsmanship transcends schools, communities. It becomes the greatest unifier to everyone,” Comm. De Vera said in front of the

11 sporting delegations representing the SUCs in the region.

Comm. De Vera further said that when athletes compete, they do not only represent their selves, but are representing something bigger.

“Remember, athletes, that you represent your family, your community and school. Dala-dala niyo yan. You have to understand that you have to make them proud.

Moreover, Comm. De Vera, who was also a track-and-field athlete back in his high school years, said that sports, like education, is the biggest equalizer in the society.

“Kailangan lang ng mahihirap na Pilipino ay bigyan ng pagkakataon,”

Comm. De Vera said, pointing out the achievements portrayed by ESGPPA Scholars who manage to excel in academics despite being athletes at the same time.

The commissioner further emphasized that athletes are required to have discipline, hardwork and perseverance for them to succeed, relating his experience as an athlete in his younger years wherein he was made to run barefoot during competitions.

Comm. De Vera ended his keynote by encouraging the athletes to build communities and establishing a strong self-worth by making friends and gaveling the best SCUAA experience they can have. .

NEWS

EVSU Eagles all set for SCUAA meet 2018



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GET READY FOR IT. Coming in strong with some 300 delegates, the Eastern Visayas State University is one of the biggest delegations for this year's SCUAA Meet, pushing through despite the numerous glitches encountered along the way.

BY ANGELINE B. BARSANA

Struggles did not stop Eastern Visayas State University (EVSU) Eagles from joining this year's State Colleges and Universities Athletic Association (SCUAA) meet 2018 held at Eastern Samar State University (ESSU) Borongan City on December 9-14.

"No matter how hard the struggles EVSU had been through, for the fact that we're here, it is worthy to say that more than a hundred percent, we're ready and prepared for this event,"

Dr. Marlon Lora, EVSU Sports Director, said when asked about the readiness and the preparation of the university.

A total of 251 student-athletes together with 41 coaches are ready to raise the gold and maroon banner to the pedestal against 10 other SUCs in the regional event anchored on the theme "Bridging Islands through Sports."

Joby Opiniano, an athlete from EVSU-Ormoc, said that, "For this year's SCUAA, I was expecting to gain more friends and build sportsmanship towards each other,"

Lyra Llyra B. Arpon, a lawn tennis player from the university shared her experiences as an athlete for five years. "Life is like lawn tennis, serve and serve until you ace your goal," she said.

The first games of the different sporting events will unfold this morning, December 10, 2018.

Last year, the Eastern Visayas State University delegation landed on the third rank next to Visayas State University and Leyte Normal University which landed on second place and champion respectively.

On winning

BY JAMES WELL M. GORME

Owning the crown and the spotlight does not make you a winner. And just because you fail to bring home the bacon does not mean you are a loser. The real question that most people forget to ask, more often than not, is how do we truly become a winner?

Imagine, you were the most valuable player for three consecutive years. You always snatch the crown, your crown, from the people who tried to steal it from you. You were the center of everybody else's world. You were always the winner. But one day came your downfall. It crushed your world. It destroyed you. You let that ruination break every piece of you.

Yes, you may be a winner by title, but trust me you are not. Being a winner is not just about the crown and glory and all the spotlight. It is about all the lessons you learned. Winning makes you learn to celebrate every important moment of your life and just be happy. Losing makes you learn to strive harder and do better next time. The lessons you learned are the ones that



truly make you a winner.

Thus, winning is good. But if we think outside the box and expand our intellect, losing is also good either. Failure to get what you want for the first, second, or even the third time does not actually

make you a loser. It just makes you one if you let your failures eat you up. We are all winners if we learn something from the things we ought to do, win or lose. Losing is not bad. Not learning after losing is.

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Opening Program

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ENTERTAINMENT

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THE BOND

BY ENOCH

All the attention was on me
All these blinding lights, I couldn't see
I felt my heart expand
My body was getting numb
Losing and bean sprouts
Were all I could think about
My mind couldn't function well
I was shaking and trembling and unwell
One throw changed everything
From being the star to being nothing
My words, my actions, were not in rhyme
I knew in that very moment, I failed big time
Fame and glory, I couldn't care less
I still have my family who keeps me at ease
I may have lost my team and shouts and cheers
But I still have my family who really cares