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Sangguniang Kabataan Capacitation Seminar and Forum

Project Title:	Capacitation Seminar for SK Candidates
Date:	October 14
Time:	8:00-12:00 A.M.
Team Composition	
Project Leader:	Erwin Naval
Project Staff/Members:	Ernest Esmeralda Diwata Donato Rheena Niña Salinas Jones Liwan
Narrative	
<p>We conducted consultations with our partner agencies as our initial activities. In September, we had consultations with Atty. Wilma Dulnuan-Binbinon, COMELEC Officer of Bayombong, in our plan to conduct a capacitation seminar for the candidates for SK positions during the election period. She agreed with our project proposal. She also informed us that no COMELEC rules and election laws will be violated in the conduct of the activity. After that, we also proposed the project activities to Mrs. Karla Rollan, the Municipal Local Government Operations Officer of Bayombong. The MLGOO suggested that we propose these activities to Miss Jerlyne Marie Mendoza, the Local Youth Development Officer of this municipality. We had a short meeting with them as part of the planning. During the meeting, two important decisions were made. First, the topics and speakers were identified, such as the history of the SK, leadership and decision-making, ethics and standards for SK, and Election laws, regulations, and updates. Secondly, we explored sources of funding for the capacitation seminar scheduled for October 14, 2023, held at Sacred Heart Center of Saint Mary's University. Mayor Antonio Sergio Bagasao pledged to provide the snacks for the participants. The expenses for tarpaulin, certificate holder, tokens for the speakers, and air conditioning fees for the venue were paid by the team members.</p> <p>There were 82 candidates for SK positions who attended the capacitation seminar collaboratively organized by COMELEC, MLGOO, LYDO, and SMU, particularly the Social Sciences and Philosophy Department of the School of Teacher Education and Humanities. Dr. Erwin Naval and Mr. Ernest Esmeralda from DSSP were chosen to speak on the history of SK and leadership and decision-making, respectively. Mr. Jayson Fajardo talked about ethics in SK while Atty. Wilma Dulnuan-Binbinon talked about election laws, regulations, and updates on COMELEC issuances for the Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections (BSKE). Mayor Antonio Sergio Bagasao of the municipality gave an inspirational message to the SK aspirants. In his inspirational message, he highlighted the importance</p>	



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of placing high standards on selecting leaders to change the results of governance. He said: "If we wanted to change the result of governance, then we have to change the processes. We have to change the traditional process of electing our leaders".

This project addresses SDG #16 on Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions and SDG #17 on Partnership for the Goals.

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NARRATIVE REPORT FOR ON and OFF CAMPUS ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED/ATTENDED

1. Title of the Activity : Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Election Discussion

Date : September 13, 2023

Venue : Aula Maria, Apo Pilo Building

2. Organizers : Student Central Council Cooperating Organizations, if any:

- Marian Allied in Philosophy and Social Sciences
- The Marian

3. Beneficiaries: Marian students

4. Objectives of the Activity

General Objective:

1. To educate participants about the Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Election (BSKE) 2023 process, its importance, and the roles and responsibilities of the officials.

Specific Objectives:

2. To raise awareness about the importance of youth representation in local governance.
3. To encourage and motivate young people to actively participate in the election process.
4. To promote understanding of democratic principles and processes among youth, as they prepare themselves to exercise their democratic rights in the upcoming BSKE 2023.

5. Participants:

- Marian students
- Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Election 2023 candidates
- Political Science students

6. Proceedings

The Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Election Discussion commenced with an audio-visual presentation of the University Prayer, National Anthem, and



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Saint Mary's University Hymn. It was formally opened by the Welcome Remarks by Mr. Samuel B. Damayon, Dean, Student Affairs and Services. Afterwards, Miss Justine Mae U. Sabado, SCC Secretary of Public Relations, introduced the first speaker, Hon. Clifford Jacob A. Bolusan, the then-incumbent Sangguniang Kabataan Chairman of Barangay Osmena, Solano, Nueva Vizcaya. He therefore discussed the roles, responsibilities and importance of the Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan units. Subsequently, an open forum regarding the speaker's topic was facilitated. Certificate and token were then awarded by Mr. Christian Dave R. Menguis, SCC President.

The second part of the discussion was marked by the introduction of the second speaker, Atty. Abraham Johnny G. Asuncion, Provincial Election Supervisor of Commission on Elections (COMELEC), Nueva Vizcaya, by Miss Sabado. Atty. Asuncion explained election laws and regulations governing the BSKE 2023. Attendees' queries about the said topics were entertained through another open forum. The awarding of certificate and token for Atty. Asuncion was led by Mr. Menguis.

The event was hosted by Miss Sabado and Mr. Menguis.

Prior to the event, digital posters and a pre-registration form were published in the official social media accounts of the Council to encourage participants. Furthermore, the Council collaborated with the Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy to establish the presence of its learners in the event.

7. Recommendations/Observations

With the BSKE 2023 candidates' duty to their country and fellowmen to know their obligations in the positions they ought to fulfill, their attendance turnout in the event was fewer than expected. In a similar event in the future therefore, the attendance of the same candidates must be required to ensure their commitment, and sharpen knowledge and expertise.

8. Documentations