

be supported by the Board of Regents. However, if it is due to faulty structural design or poor construction, then the original contractor should be made liable for such undertaking.

Board action: Notation and adoption of proposed policy by Regent Delfin Lazaro, as stated above, for immediate implementation.

B. On page 7, No. 4, on the Revised Rules on Study Privileges for U.P. Personnel and Dependents

Vice-President Nuqui submitted a written clarification on the Revised Rules on Study Privileges for U.P. Personnel and Dependents with emphasis on the the Proposed Benefits for Non-Earning Dependents of U.P. Retirees (see Annex 1).

Board action: Approval.

IV. Policy, Financial and Related Matters

A. Matters recommended by the President for approval by the Board, the action of the Board being indicated at the end of each item:

1. Revision of Rule 2(c) (1) of the rules governing the UP Government Scholarship, effective First Semester, 1992-1993, as follows:

Rule 2(c) (1) They must be financially deserving. A student is financially deserving [if the annual income of his parents/guardians does not exceed ₱100,000.00] IF HIS FINANCIAL SITUATION QUALIFIES HIM/HER FOR STFAP BRACKET 7 (SEVEN) OR LOWER.

Note: Words in brackets are to be deleted; those in capital letters are to be added.

Board action: Approval.

2. Proposed Revision of the Rules on the Term of Office of Department Chairperson, as follows:

"Art. 103. The [tenure] TERM of office of the [various] chair[men]PERSON of AN academic department[s] in all units of the University shall [be] NOT EXCEED three years, without prejudice to reappointment FOR A SECOND TERM OF NOT MORE THAN THREE YEARS, OR A MAXIMUM OF SIX (6) YEARS. UNDER EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CASES, THE CHANCELLOR MAY APPROVE

THE RENEWAL OF APPOINTMENT OF A CHAIRPERSON BEYOND THE SIXTH YEAR FOR A FINAL TERM ALSO NOT EXCEEDING THREE YEARS. IN NO CASE SHALL A DEPARTMENT CHAIRPERSON SERVE MORE THAN NINE (9) CONSECUTIVE YEARS. [and until their successors shall have been appointed.]" (as amended at the 826th Board of Regents meeting on November 27, 1972)

(Bracketed words to be deleted, those in capital letters to be added.)

Justification:

This amendment is proposed to make the term of the department chairperson consistent with the term of the dean, as approved by the Board of Regents at its 1020th meeting on 25 April 1989, as follows:

"Appointment of Deans and Directors -

- D. The Board also agreed to set a limit to the number of terms a dean or director may serve. Deans and directors may serve two terms. Only in highly exceptional cases will they be allowed a third term."

Board action: Approval.

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Justification: Electrical Engineering as recognized in the Philippines is limited to the generation, distribution, and conversion of electrical energy. This, however, constitutes only the Power option of the electrical engineering program. There are four other options, namely, Electronics, Communications, Computers, and Instrumentation and Control. Communications and Computers are sub-areas of Electronics, whereas, Instrumentation and Control involve both Power and Electronics. Other engineering schools in the Philippines have created an Electronics and Communications Engineering Department and a Computer Engineering Department to handle these options. The Department has maintained the opinion that a single department can handle all these areas.