

Republic of the Philippines Province of Sorsogon

CITY OF SORSOGON



Office of the Sangguniang Zanlungsod

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SEVENTH CITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE SESSION HALL ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2020.

PRESENT:

HON. MARK ERIC C. DIONEDACity Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

BACON DISTRICT

Hon. Jo Abegail C. Dioneda Hon. Danilo A. Deladia

WEST DISTRICT

Hon. Erwin J. Duana Hon. Rebecca D. Aquino

EAST DISTRICT

Hon. Mary Ellen D. Jamisola Hon. Ralph Walter R. Lubiano Hon. Franco Eric O. Ravanilla Hon. Joven G. Laura

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Hon. Ma. Teresa D. Perdigon Hon. Lorenz S. Abenion

ABSENT:

Hon. Hilario D. Dioneda Hon. Melchor P. Atutubo- sick leave Hon. Nestor J. Baldon- on official business Hon. Fernando David H. Duran, III – on Official Business

Resolution No. 217, Series of 2020

(Author: City Councilor Franco Eric O. Ravanilla)

RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE HON. MA. ESTER E. HAMOR, CITY MAYOR, SORSOGON CITY FOR THE SPEEDY ACTION AND RESPONSE TO THE NEW NORMAL DISTANCE LEARNING MODALITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the state gives importance to education in adherence to the 1987 Philippine Constitution, under Article II, Section 17, which states: "The state shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerated social progress and promote total liberation and development";

WHEREAS, it is a declared policy of the State that quality education is an inalienable right of all Filipinos, thus, the State shall protect and promote the rights of all

students to quality education at all levels and take appropriate steps to make such quality education accessible to all;

WHEREAS, RA 9155, otherwise known as the Basic Education Act of 2001, declares that, "it is the State's policy to promote the right of all citizens to quality basic education and make such education accessible to all Filipinos by providing free and compulsory education in the elementary level, and free education in the high level as well as alternative learning system for out-of-school youths and adult learners";

WHEREAS, the Department of Education has formulated its Public Health Emergency Program, incorporated therein is the Basic education Learning Continuity Plan for School Year 2020-2021 which mandates the preparation of the learning needs of school children in the opening classes through blended learning, distance learning (modular, online and TV-Radio based instruction) or home schooling modalities;

WHEREAS, among the 10-Point Agenda of the present administration are the Sulay sa Futuro (Youth Assistance Program) and the YES! to Children Assistance Program which shall provide hope among our youth and children to continue their education in the midst of the pandemic and under the new normal learning strategies;

WHEREAS, the city government of Sorsogon pledges its resolute support and commitment to the "Contextualized Learning Continuity Plans" of the Department of Education – Division of Sorsogon;

WHEREAS, on August 25, 2020, Hon. City Mayor Ma. Ester E. Hamor had issued Executive Order No. 29, Series of 2020 for the institutionalization of commitment and support of the City Government to the "Basic Education – Contextualized Learning Continuity Plans" and related activities of the Department of Education in the city of Sorsogon;

WHEREAS, the City Government has also an appropriation relative to the provision of supplies, materials and equipment for the continues provision of quality education as well as support for nutrition related activities under the Yes! To Children Assistance Program (YCAP);

WHEREAS, the City government also apportioned significant amount under the City Engineering Office (CEO) for the construction/rehabilitation/repair of various school facilities, which shall be taken from the Special Education Fund (SEF), General Fund (GF) and the 20% Development Fund of the city government of Sorsogon, in accordance with and subject to the usual accounting and auditing procedures;

WHEREAS, these timely and overwhelming support and measures aims to enable the students of Sorsogon City who may have either none or limited access to education due to pandemic, to attend and finish their formal basic education under the new normal;

WHEREAS, every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom; as well as powers necessary, appropriate or incidental for its efficient and effective governance and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare. Within their respective territorial jurisdiction, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, improve public morals, enhance economic prosperity and social justice, maintain peace and order and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitant;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Franço Eric O. Ravanilla, duly seconded by Hon. Rebecca D. Aquino, resolved as it is hereby resolve to commend the Hon. Ma. Ester E. Hamor, City Mayor, Sorsogon City, for the speedy action and response to the new normal distance learning modalities of the Department of Education.

DATE APPROVED: September 1, 2020

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

ROVAN E. DOMASIAN
Acting Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

Attested:

MARK ERIC C. DIONEDA
City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer