

Ateneo de Manila University

Office of International Programs

PACLAS meeting for Evaluation and Other Activities

Date: October 20, 2006

Time: 3:30PM to 5:00PM

Venue: MVP Center Conference Room 2

Ateneo de Manila University

Attendees: Dr. Efen Abueg, De La Salle University-Dasmariñas

Mrs. Marivic Ferreria, University of Asia and the Pacific

Dr. Ferdinand Llanes, University of the Philippines

Mr. Rene Salvania, University of the East

Dr. Fernando Zalcita, Ateneo de Manila University

Agenda:

1. Evaluation of "Encuentros with Latin America" and "Noche Latina"
2. Events for school year 2007-2008
3. Inventory of Latin American specialists
4. Japan's inquiry about academic exchanges between East Asian and Latin American institutions

Points Discussed:

1. Evaluation for Encuentros Lectures
From the University of Asia and the Pacific: "It was a good experience for the students"
2. Evaluation for the exhibits
The exhibits were out-of-the-box. Each panel and representative was different from the others.
3. Evaluation for Noche Latina
 - There were a lot of food
 - It was a celebration fit for a *fiesta*.
 - The lengths of presentations were not ten to fifteen minutes. Most of them were too long.
 - Dr. Abueg explained that the martial arts performance from De la Salle was a misunderstanding between the coordinators and performers. It would have been better to place the presentation at the end as a bonus.

4. Evaluation for Essay Writing Contest

- The number of pages was quite too long. Instead of ten (10) it would have been better if it was at least five (5) pages.
- The publicity came in too late. It should be out by June.
- The contest was scheduled the same time as the exam week of the students.
- There were also concerns on notarizing the essays.
- The compositions should be edited and circulated.

5. PACLAS Events for the school year

a. Mexican Event

- i. The embassy of Mexico decided to bring specialist from Mexico to meet their counterparts from different schools of the Philippines. The schedule is as follows:

November 15 – Arrival of the delegates

November 16 – Formal opening in National Museum

November 17 – Conference with three workshops in National Museum

November 18 – Trip to Cavite

- ii. The trip to Cavite may begin with students sharing their experiences in Mexico and the like. The tour is after lunch going to Kawit, Fort San Felipe, and San Roque. Dr. Abueg will finalize the itinerary.
- iii. The University of the Philippines cannot commit with the scholarly papers because it is too soon. However, they may ask their student who works in Fort San Felipe, Ms. Mahalia Bonito, to give a talk.
- iv. A Mexican film will also be shown sometime December.

b. Cuban Presentation

A proposal of showing the film, *Sweet Havana*, and a short presentation after the film on January was presented.

c. Panamanian Ambassador

- i. There will be a talk on the maritime relationship between the Philippines and Panama sometime in January.
- ii. Best Venue is in the University of the East since it is downtown and it is near the area of seafarers.

d. Other events involving Embassies

Dr. Zialcita would like to make more events with the embassies such as Columbia. He is also thinking of an event with Brazil but maybe next year.

6. Inventory of Latin American scholars

The different member schools will have a list of their Latin American scholars by the end of November.

7. Japan's Inquiry on academic exchange

There is no word regarding the proposal of Japan. A meeting between the representative of FEALAC and Dr. Zialcita will be set up soon.