DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 1066, s. 2017

Launching of Hephestus Project in Education Robotics Program

To: Jessica G. Lucero, Principal II, DCCES
    Datu Roger A. Manapol, Principal IV, DiCNHS

1. Attached is a letter from Dr. Ronnie B. Amorado, Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs, University of Mindanao requesting your presence on the Launching of hephestus projects in education robotics program on December 11, 2017 at 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM at UM Auditorium, Matina Campus, Davao City.

2. Travel and other incidental expenses of the participants shall be charged to local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

3. Details of the activity are in the enclosures.

4. For your information and guidance.

WINNIE E. EATOON, EdD
Officer-in-Charge
Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

Ends: Unnumbered Regional Memorandum, dated Nov. 21, 2017
       Letter of Dr. Ronnie V. Amorado, dated Nov. 16, 2017

References: Unnumbered Regional Memorandum, dated Nov. 21, 2017

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MEMORANDUM

TO

Schools Division Superintendents

FROM

ATTY. ALBERTO T. ESCOBARTE, CESO III
Regional Director

SUBJECT

LAUNCHING OF HEPHESTUS PROJECT IN EDUCATION ROBOTICS PROGRAM

DATE
November 21, 2017

1. Attached is a letter from Dr. Ronnie V. Amorado, Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs, University of Mindanao requesting the presence of the school principals of the school’s offering Special Science Programs (Special Science Elementary School, Science Technology and Engineering, Regional Science High School) on the launching of hephestus project in education robotics program on December 11, 2017 at 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM at UM Auditorium, Matina Campus, Davao City.

2. Travel and other incidental expenses of the participants shall be charged to SSES/STE/RSHS Funds or local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

3. Details of the above activity are in the enclosures.

4. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

ATTY. ALBERTO T. ESCOBARTE, CESO III
Regional Director

Encls. As stated

ROCo/mlib
November 16, 2017

ATTY. ALBERTO T. ESCOBARTE
Regional Director, Region XI
Department of Education

Dear Sir:

Greetings!

The University of Mindanao is developing an education robotics program in partnership with Lego Education Robotics in the Philippines. This program aims at exposing Filipino students, especially Senior High Schools, to the art and science of robotics as part of the curriculum. We are launching the Hephestus Project for this program, where UM becomes an exclusive Lego Educational Robotics and Computer Technical Training Center in Region XI. Anent to this, we respectfully request for your presence and your principals for the launching of our robotics program and ceremonial MOU signing on December 11, 2017 @1-3 PM at the Auditorium, UM Matina Campus.

Through the robotics program, the students' ability in the field of education, science, technology, engineering and math will be more enhanced and fostered. The program likewise presents more opportunities to meet global standards of education robotics.

The robotics program shall cater to the youth's needs, most especially those benighted in computer literacy and to enhance whatever prior knowledge they have acquired in the past. We will also educate students on the use one of the latest model equipment known as Mindstorms EV3, which is a core set of educational robotics by Lego, a rudimentary yet fundamental computer technical training that will benefit Grades V to Senior High School students from different private to public schools. This is the purpose of the launching ceremony, to orient the principals and teachers on the benefit of the education robotics training and the procedures for avalement and participation in the robotics program.

Your endorsement and presence to this significant event is highly appreciated. Attached is the draft program for your perusal.

Truly Yours,

Dr. Ronnie V. Amorado
Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs
University of Mindanao
THE UNIVERSITY OF MINDANAO  
Davao City, Philippines

The Hephestus Project  
Launching & MoU Signing Ceremonies  
December 11, 2017 (Monday) @ 1:00 PM  
University Auditorium, Matina Campus

“At bottom, robotics is about us. The discipline of emulating our lives, of wondering how we work.”  
- Rod Grupen, Perceptual Robotics, University of Massachusetts

TENTATIVE PROGRAM:

1:00  Registration
1:30  Opening Ceremony: Prayer & National Anthem by UM Chorale
1:45  Acknowledgment of Delegates and Guests by Host
2:00  University of Mindanao 2016 President’s Report
2:15  Welcome Remarks & Hephestus Rationale by Dr. Ronnie V. Amorado
2:45  International Song Rendition by UM Chorale
3:15  MoU Signing Ceremonies/Declaration of Understanding by Dr. Ronnie V. Amorado  
UM-Lego/REF (Robotics Literacy) and UM-UE (Presidents)  
UM-UE. University Robotics Consortium (Presidents)
3:30  Presidential Remark: Dr. Guillermo P. Torres Jr., UM
3:45  Presidential Remark: Dr. Ester A. Garcia, UE
4:00  Presidential Remark: Mr. Roget R. Jose, REF
4:15  Guest Remark: Lego US Representative
4:20  Dance Rendition by UM Makabayan Ensemble
4:30  Closing Spiel and UM Hymn by Dr. Pedrito Castillo

Host: Dr. Pedrito Castillo, Asst. Vice President for Instruction

All University Officials, Deans ang Guests (UE, REF, LEGO, DepEd VIPs)  
to proceed to the Professional Schools Lobby for refreshments.