

**[ BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 189, March 16, 1982 ]**

**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A STATE COLLEGE IN THE PROVINCE OF IFUGAO TO BE KNOWN AS THE IFUGAO STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY, PROVIDING A CHARTER FOR THIS PURPOSE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.**

*Be it enacted by the Batasang Pambansa in session assembled:*

SECTION 1. The present Ifugao Agricultural and Technical College at Nayon, Municipality of Lamut, Province of Ifugao shall be converted and established as a state college of higher learning in agriculture and forestry to be known as the Ifugao State College of Agriculture and Forestry, and integrating therewith as its branches or units therein, the (1) Bunhian Barangay High School at Barangay Bunhian, Municipality of Aguinaldo, Province of Ifugao; (2) Hapao Barangay High School at Barangay Hapao, Municipality of Banaue, Province of Ifugao (3) Tinoc Barangay High School at Barangay Tinoc, Municipality of Hungduan, Province of Ifugao; Amduntug Barangay High School at Barangay Amduntug Municipality of Kiangan, Province of Ifugao, and (5) Potia Agricultural High School in the Municipality of Potia, Province of Ifugao, which high schools shall thenceforth be maintained and operated as units or branches of the aforesaid State College, hereinafter referred to in this Act as the College.

SEC. 2. The College shall specialize in the fields of agriculture and forestry and shall offer the various courses therein for the undergraduate and graduate levels: *Provided*, That the College may be allowed to offer other related courses as the circumstances warrant in accordance with the requirements and procedures provided by law. In the pursuit of such specialization the College shall undertake scientific researches in the fields of agriculture and forestry and for this purpose the College may create commissions, committees or bodies to undertake such researches, financing them accordingly within the limits of the power of the Board of Trustees.

SEC. 3. The government of said College is hereby vested in a Board of Trustees, to be composed of the Minister of Education and Culture as *ex-officio* Chairman of the Board, the President of the College, a representative of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), the Provincial Agriculturist of Ifugao, the District Forester of Ifugao, and two (2) prominent citizens who have distinguished themselves in the professions or fields of specialization, one representing the Alumni Association, the other chosen from prominent citizens in the Province of Ifugao, both to be appointed by the President of the Philippines upon recommendation of the Minister of Education and Culture: *Provided, however*, That the non-*ex-officio* members of the Board, except the President of the College who shall serve during the duration of his incumbency, shall hold office as follows: one to serve for two (2) years, and the other to serve for four (4) years, the term of office of each to be specified in his appointment by the President of the Philippines. Thereafter, persons appointed to succeed such members shall hold office for a term of four (4) years and until their successors shall have been appointed and qualified.

Permanent vacancy in the Board shall be filled by appointment by the President of the Philippines with the recommendation of the Minister of Education and Culture, and such appointee shall hold office for the unexpired term only.

In the absence or inability of the Minister of Education and Culture, the Deputy Minister of Education and Culture or When these positions are vacant, the President of the College shall act as Chairman.

The members of the Board of Trustees shall serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred either in Attendance upon meetings of the Board or upon other official business authorized by resolutions of the Board subject to existing budget laws on honoraria and allowances.

SEC. 4. The Board of Trustees shall have the following powers and duties in addition to its general powers of administration:

- a. To receive and appropriate for the ends specified by law such sums as may be provided for by law for the support of the college;
- b. To confer the usual honorary degrees upon persons in recognition of learning, statesmanship, or eminence in the fields of agriculture and forestry;
- c. To appoint, upon recommendation of the President of the College, the registrar, the deans of the College of Agriculture and that of Forestry, deans of other colleges established pursuant to Section two of this Act, the heads of the various branches of the College, professors, instructors, lecturers, and other employees of the College and to fix their compensation subject to Presidential Decree No. 985 and other pertinent budget and compensation laws, prescribe the hours of service, duties and the conditions of work as it may deem proper, to grant to them, in its discretion, leave of absence in accordance with the rules that it might promulgate, and to remove them for cause after proper investigation and hearing pursuant Service laws governing disciplinary action;
- d. To approve the curricula and rules of discipline drawn up by the Academic Council as hereinafter provided;
- e. To provide fellowship and scholarship for deserving faculty members and students of the College;
- f. To prescribe rules for its own government, and to enact for the government of the College such rules and regulations, not contrary to law, as may be necessary; and
- g. To receive in trust legacies, gifts, and donations of real and personal property of all kinds and to administer the same for the benefit of the College, or of a department thereof, or for aid to any student or students in accordance with the directions and instructions of the donor, and, in default thereof, in such manner as the Board of Trustees may in its discretion determine.

SEC. 5. A quorum of the Board of Trustees shall consist of a majority of all the members holding office at the time the meeting of the Board is called. All processes for or against the Board of Trustees shall be served on the President or Secretary thereof.

SEC. 6. On or before the 15th day of the month following the opening of regular classes each year, the Board of Trustees shall file with the office of the Prime Minister through the Minister of Education and Culture, a detailed report setting forth the progress, conditions and needs of the College.