

11th REGULAR TESDA BOARD MEETING  
TESDA Board Room, 7/F TESDA Admin. Bldg.  
East Service Road, Taguig  
Metro Manila

RESOLUTION NO. 96-05

RECOMMENDING A MORATORIUM ON THE CONVERSION OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS INTO  
TECHNICAL EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS  
EXCEPT UNDER HIGHLY MERITORIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES

WHEREAS, Section 8, No. 4 of Republic Act No. 7796, provides that the TESDA shall restructure the entire sub-sector consisting of all institutions and programs involved in the promotion and development of middle level manpower through upgrading, merger, and/or phase-out following a user-led strategy;

WHEREAS, many of these schools have not met minimum standards set for school plant and instructional equipment thus, the continuous conversion of schools into technical education institutions has resulted in the proliferation of ill-equipped, substandard and geographically misplaced technical education institutions;

WHEREAS, TESDA feels strongly that before any more schools are converted, the pressing problems of converted public schools must be corrected and checked by bringing the institutions concerned to standard, ensuring that each school meets the minimum requirements set by TESDA;

WHEREAS, the Master Plan of location of technical education institutions have mainly not been considered in establishment or conversion of public schools;

WHEREAS, as a consequence of the expansion on the number of technical education institutions, duplication of course offerings and implementation of irrelevant programs have risen to considerable proportions;

WHEREAS, conversion may be pursued only under highly meritorious circumstances following standard criteria and requirements for conversion set by TESDA; and

WHEREAS, TESDA has taken cognizance of the prevailing situation and the need to promote and develop an effective and efficient system of implementing technical education and vocational training programs in the country;

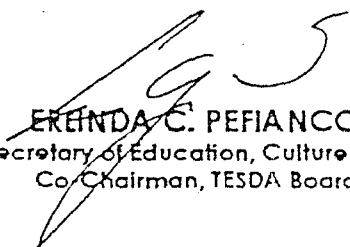
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby RESOLVED, that the TESDA agrees to recommend to Congress a moratorium on the conversion of public schools to technical education institutions;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the proposed moratorium shall take effect upon approval of Congress until such time that it is revoked by the same Body;

RESOLVED ALSO that copies of this Resolution, the standards set by TESDA for technical education institutions, and the guidelines for conversion be furnished to the President, Senate of the Philippines and to the Speaker, House of Representatives, for their information and reference and earnestly soliciting their support in the implementation of this moratorium.

ADOPTED on this 24th day of May 1996.

ATTESTED:

  
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