## Technopark Management Board Members Convene for First Meeting

The Technopark Management Board (TMB) of the university held its very first meeting for the BatStateU Knowledge, Innovation, Science and Technology (KIST) Park on January 10 at the Function Hall of the CIRTC Building in Pablo Borbon Main I.

One of the main purposes of the KIST Park is to support the innovation and new knowledge creation culture by managing and encouraging the information and technology flow between the university, industry, and government. The park is set to be established alongside BatStateU Pablo Borbon Main II as a Special Economic Zone under the Philippine Economic Zone

Authority (PEZA).

Created on September 6, 2018 by the BatStateU Board of Regents (BOR) during their 59th regular meeting, the TMB will serve as the driving body in managing the KIST Park during its development and operation phases.

During the meeting, BatStateU President Tirso A. Ronquillo acknowledged the presence of the board members and also gave a brief introduction on the progress of the KIST Park project.





The KIST Park Management Board is led by the President and Chief Operating Officer of Science Park of the Philippines, Inc. Mr. Richard Albert I. Osmond as the TMB Chairperson; and the Philippine Association of State Universities and Colleges (PASUC) and BatStateU President Dr. Tirso A. Ronquillo as the TMB Vice Chairperson.

Other members include: President of Philippine Foundation for Science and Technology Engr. Filemon T. Berba, Jr.; Director for Risk Opportunity and Management Consultancy, Inc. Atty. Ruel V. Canobas; Chief Executive Officer and Chairman

of Pythos Technology Philippines, Inc. Engr. Ernest Nierras; Board Director for GLES Venture Group Inc. Mr. Warlito P. Guerra; Research Director and Industry Coordinator of Research and Development Office, Technological Institute of the Philippines Dr. Celso B. Co; Assistant Secretary of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) Ms. Rafaelita M. Aldaba; Innovation, Research and Entrepreneurship Advisor of DTI Dr. Napoleon K. Juanillo, Jr.; BatStateU Vice President for Administration and Finance Atty. Luzviminda C. Rosales; and BatStateU Vice President for Research, Development and Extension Services Engr. Albertson D. Amante.

