



NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CULTURE AND THE ARTS
Excerpts from the Minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting held on
July 11, 2012, NCCA, Manila
and Confirmed at the Regular Commission Meeting held on
August 15, 2012, NCCA, Manila

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7.3 Letter from the National Artist Award Secretariat with regard to the Increase in the Cash Award and Monthly Stipend of the National Artists

The Chairman called attention to the recommendation from the National Awards Secretariat for additional benefits for the National Artists. He said that the increase in the one-time cash award is in response to the recommendation that the National Artists should be entitled to the same amount of cash award of PhP 200 Thousand given to artists who have won in international competitions. The increase in the monthly stipend is long overdue considering the high cost of living at present.

The Board approved the increase in the one-time cash award from PhP 100 Thousand to PhP 200 Thousand for living awardees, and from PhP 75 Thousand to PhP 150 Thousand for posthumous awardees. The increase shall take effect for the next batch of awardees of the National Artist Awards.

The Board also approved the increase in the monthly stipend of the living National Artists from PhP 24 Thousand to PhP 30 Thousand which shall take effect starting January 1, 2013.

The additional benefits shall be sourced from the yearly budget allocation for the National Artists, to be appropriated from NEFCA Fund 151.

[U]pon motion made and duly seconded, the majority of the Commission approved this ***Resolution***:

Resolution No. 2012- 365
Approving the Additional Benefits for the National Artists

RESOLVED, as it is hereby Resolved, That the Commission approves the increase in the following benefits:

- a. An increase in the monthly stipend from ***Twenty Four Thousand Pesos (PhP 24,000.00)*** to ***Thirty Thousand Pesos (PhP 30,000.00)*** for the living National Artists which shall take effect January 1, 2013;

- b. An increase in the one-time Cash Award for the Awardees of the National Artists Awards from ***One Hundred Thousand Pesos (PhP 100,000.00)*** to ***Two Hundred Thousand Pesos (PhP 200,000.00)*** for ***Living Awardees***, which shall take effect for the next batch of awardees of the National Artist Awards;
- c. An increase in the one-time Cash Award from ***Seventy Five Thousand Pesos (PhP 75,000.00)*** to ***One Hundred Fifty Thousand Pesos (PhP 150,000.00)*** for Posthumous Awardees, which shall take effect for the next batch awardees of the National Artist Awards;
- d. The funding for the aforementioned additional benefits of increase in the Monthly Stipend for Living National Artists and increase in the one-time Cash Award for Living and Posthumous Awardees shall be sourced from the annual budget allocation for the National Artists Awards appropriated from NEFCA Fund 151;

PROVIDED, That the funding shall be subject to the availability of funds and the issuance of Notice of Cash Allocation (NCA) from the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and to applicable government accounting and auditing rules and regulations;

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