## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) made and entered into this 19th day of June, 2025 by and between:

The D&D EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, a non-profit organization located in 1461 Leschi Place, Fox Island, Washinton 98333 represented in this understanding by its Founder and President, DR. DENNIS BUSCHMAN;

- and -

The **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOLS DIVISION OF PANGASINAN II,** an educational institution under the Department of Education located at Binalonan, Pangasinan represented in this understanding by its Schools Division Superintendent, **VIVIAN LUZ S. PAGATPATAN, CESO VI.** 

### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the D&D Educational Foundation is mandated to provide international educational support;

WHEREAS, the DepEd Schools Division – Pangasinan II is established to protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality basic education and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all:

WHEREAS, the DepEd Schools Division – Pangasinan II as field office of the Department of Education shall translate the policy and principle for the governance of basic education into programs, projects in communities they serve;

WHEREAS, both the D&D Educational Foundation and DepEd Schools Division of Pangasinan II support the following: 1) Create partnership or linkage creation for a more wholistic programs or projects for the professional growth of the educators; 2) Use the data only for the agreed-upon research and educational purposes; 3) Not disclose any personal or sensitive information unless expressly permitted by law or with prior consent from both Parties,

**NOW THEREFORE**, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, taking advantage of the partnership of the two agencies in terms of research, extension and innovation programs, projects and activities (PPAs) and support to teachers and learners, the parties herein agree to work together through the following undertakings:

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### Section 1: PURPOSE

The purpose of this MOU is to establish a framework of cooperation and agreement between the D&D Educational Foundation and the DepEd Pangasinan Division II Philippines to facilitate the sharing of educational testing data to research the effects of the COVID pandemic shutdown, improve educational practices through the use of Remote Area Community Hotspot for Education and Learning (RACHEL), and support the development of effective programs for the benefit of the Philippine education system.

#### Section 2. AREAS OF COOPERATION

The major activities shall include but not be limited to the following:

- 1. Use testing data to research the effects of the COVID pandemic shutdown;
- 2. Determine the effectiveness of educational practices through the use of RACHEL;
- 3. Assist the Philippine curriculum upload to the RACHEL; and
- 4. Support the research and development of educational strategies based on the data.

### Section 3. COMMITMENTS

### The D&D Educational Foundation shall:

- Ensure the data received will be used exclusively for research, analysis, and educational Purposes;
- 2. Implement appropriate measures to safeguard the data's confidentiality and security;
- Analyze and provide regular reports on findings and recommendations based on the data;
- Collaborate with Pangasinan Division II on any educational development initiatives stemming from the analysis;
- 5. Seek external funding and resources to support the RACHEL project where applicable;
- Ensure compliance with all applicable laws, including data privacy laws;
- 7. Provide technical expertise and recommendations based on the testing data.

### The DepEd Schools Division Office of Pangasinan II shall:

- Provide accurate, timely, and relevant testing data as agreed upon by both parties;
- Ensure the data shared is in compliance with applicable legal and privacy regulations;
- Collaborate with D&D Educational Foundation to ensure proper use of the data for research and educational development;
- Provide necessary training or guidance for the D&D Educational Foundation regarding the interpretation of the data, as needed; and
- Notify the D&D Educational Foundation of any changes or updates to the data sharing agreement or data set.

## Section 4. IMPLEMENTATION AND SUSTAINABILITY

### Section 4.1. Institutional Partnership

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D&D Educational Foundation and DepEd Schools Division of Pangasinan II shall undertake sustainability initiatives such as but not limited to the following:

- a. Capacity building activities among DepEd personnel on RACHEL;
- b. Provision of support to teacher-recipients by both parties;
- c. Exchange of Data/Articles/Journals library resources/references;
- d. Quarterly monitoring and evaluation of activities and submission of such to both parties;

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## Section 4.2. Monitoring and Evaluation

D&D Educational Foundation and DepEd Schools Division of Pangasinan II shall conduct a quarterly assessment, review and evaluation of the parnership programs, projects and activities.

### Section 5. DURATION

This MOU shall take effect immediately upon signing of the parties and shall remain in full force and effect for three (3) years unless sooner terminated in writing for any valid reason and at the insistence of any party hereto. The agreement can be extended by renewal of agreement with the consensus of both parties involved.

## Section 6. TERMINATION

The termination in the previous section shall take effect after a month from the actual receipt of such written notice by the other party.

This agreement is signed this 19th day of June, 2025 in Binalonan, Pangasinan, Philippines.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOLS DIVISION - RANGASINAN II

DR. VIVIAN LUZ S. PASATPATAN, CESO V Schools Division Superintendent Binalonan, Pangasinan D&D EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

DR. DENNIS BUSCHMAN

Founder and President

1461 Leschi Place, Fox Island, Washinton

Witnesses:

MS. HEIDI FLAMING-BUSCHMAN, MA

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Vice-President

D&D Educational Foundation

ATTY. MARIA CRISTINA B. DALIGCON Senior Education Program Specialist SDO Pangasinan II Republic of the Philippines) Province of Pangasinan) S.S. Municipalityof Binalonan

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public for and in the province of Pangasinan, appeared the followig:

### DR. DENNIS BUSCHMAN

President 1461 Leschi Place, Fox Island, Washinton 98333 Passport Number: A20996293 Issued on: 23 August 2023 Issued at: United States of America

### DR. VIVIAN LUZ S. PAGATPATAN

Schools Division Superintendent DepEd Schools Division of Pangasinan II Binalonan, Pangasinan CTC Number: CCI20219883929 Issued on: 16 January 2025 Issued at: San Fernando City, La Union

Known to me to be the same persons who executed the following instrument and whom acknowledged by me to be of their free and voluntary act and deed and that of the entities they respectively represent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereunto affix their signatures this 19th day of June, 2025 in Binalonan, Pangasinan.

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