

SPEECH DELIVERED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF NABPTEX COUNCIL, MR. PAUL KWASI AGYEMANG ON THE OCCASION OF INAUGURATION AND ORIENTATION OF THE EXAMINATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICIAN EXAMINATIONS (NABPTEX) HELD ON FRIDAY MARCH 16, 2018

Hon. Minister of Education

Members of Council

Acting Executive Secretary, NABPTEX

Distinguished Invited Guests

Heads of Department and Units

Friends from the Media

Ladies and Gentlemen

1. Today marks the beginning and full take-off of another big milestone in the history of NABPTEX. The Board exists to formulate and administer schemes of examinations, evaluation, assessment, certification and standard for skill competence, and syllabus competence for non-university tertiary institutions, professional bodies and private institutions with accreditation by the National Accreditation Board
2. In the past two decades, the Board has administered various schemes of examinations and awarded certificates in
 - i. Higher National Diploma
 - ii. Competency-Based Training
 - iii. Certificate II Core Subjects
 - iv. Diploma Certificates
 - v. Professional Diploma

3. Section 8 NABPTEX Act 1994 (Act 492) enjoins the Council to establish Subject Panels to assist in the operations of the Board. In pursuant of this, the Council, a month after its inauguration on July 11, 2017 appointed Chairpersons for the various subject areas and subsequently respective Secretaries.
4. In all, Council has constituted subject panels for five subject areas. These are:
 - (a) Engineering
 - (b) Applied Arts and Sciences
 - (c) Business/Finance
 - (d) Health Science, and
 - (e) Liberal and General Studies
5. I will be pleased to inform you that membership of the panels is drawn from both academia and industry in line with the Board's vision for industry-based, hands-on training and education. This is also in consonance with national agenda on TVET.
6. I wish to assure you that you were carefully and purposely chosen from among many nominees. We believe that you have the requisite knowledge, skills and competence to deliver on your mandate.
7. Whilst I join the members of Council and the Executive Secretary and Management to congratulate you on your nomination and appointment, I also wish to appeal to you to

take your roles seriously pushing forward the overall goal of NABPTEX.

8. The General Council will rely on your expertise, experience and recommendations to make informed judgment and choices in all matters; for quality, fair and valid training and assessment and curriculum relevance and competence.
9. We are in this boat together and you can't allow it to sink. Your collective decisions and recommendations will either sink the boat or keep it afloat. A lot is expected from you as individuals and as a team. Therefore, you will be required to exhibit maximum confidentiality, integrity, professionalism and teamwork driven by maximum commitment to duty and due diligence at all times.
10. You will be required to take an oath of secrecy and sign the non-disclosure agreement. I entreat you to abide by the tenets of these declarations and all other rules and regulations binding your appointment.
11. In addition you will be equipped, at this afternoon's orientation for Members with all the relevant knowledge on NABPTEX needed to make you effective.
12. On that note, and on behalf of Council and Management/Staff of NABPTEX, I wish to congratulate you on

your appointment; and we look forward to a healthy and cordial working relationship with you.

Thank you