

## *PTC-CSJ and TK Foundation scholars attend orientation for their onboard training*

Four maritime scholars of the PTC-CSJ Foundation and TK Foundation attended an orientation organized by PTC's Education and Training Team, led by C/E Alfredo Haboc, and the Mapua-PTC College of Maritime Education and Training of Malayan Colleges Laguna (CMET-MCL).



The orientation focused on the STCW provisions of the Onboard Training (OBT) requirements for finishing the BA Marine Transportation (BS MT) and BS Marine Engineering (BS MarE) programs. Also tackled was the circular jointly issued by the Commission for Higher Education (CHED) and Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) which provides the specific responsibilities of the school and maritime students concerning the monthly monitoring of students' performance while on OBT. The session also covered MARINA's Circular No. SC 2022-01 on the guidelines for the domestic OBT of cadets. The orientation was held on April 20, 2022, at First Maritime Place.

The scholars in attendance - Cadets Melbert Jim Arreo, Hanna Claire Samiano, Juan Patricio Castillo and Jonnar Mina - are all enrolled at CMET-MCL and are expected to embark on their OBT within the 2nd quarter of 2022. Meanwhile, another scholar, Cadet Justin Caliguia (BS MarE), already commenced his OBT last April 22.

PTC-CSJ Foundation President, Mrs. Carla S. Limcaoco, in her send-off message to the scholars, said, "You have all proven your mettle while at school and during the pandemic. Now the final challenge begins, the shipboard training. I am extremely confident that you will succeed. Keep your hearts open to learning and your mind to being formed."

