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MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC BOARD MEETING ON 29.09.2018

AGENDA:

- 1) Passing the Minutes of the Previous Meeting
- 2) Passing any new amended syllabi
- 3) Discussion on ECC points
- 4) Discussion on Finances of the College Fests
- 5) Any other matter

The members present were:

- 1. Dr. Rajendra Shinde, Chairperson & Principal
- 2. Dr. Avadhoot Nadkarni, Professional Expert
- 3. Dr. (Fr.) Roy Pereira, S.J., Convenor, Head, Dept. of Chemistry
- 4. Dr. Bhagwati Upadhyay, Head, Dept. of Hindi
- 5. Ms. Meenal Kolkar, Head, Dept. of Mathematics
- 6. Ms. Pearl Pastakia, Head, Dept. of English
- 7. Ms. Alpana Palkhiwale, Head, Dept. of French
- 8. Ms. Anita Rane, Head, Dept. of Ancient Indian Culture
- 9. Ms. Pratiba Naitthani, Head, Dept. of Political Science
- 10. Ms. Ruby Pavri, Head, Dept. of Psychology
- 11. Dr. Sam Taraporevala, Head, Dept. of Sociology
- 12. Dr. (Ms.) Aditi Sawant, Head, Dept. of Economics
- 13. Dr. (Ms.) Shyamala Bodhane, Head, Dept. of Physics
- 14. Mr. Alok Gude, Head, Dept. of Botany
- 15. Ms. Myrtle Fernandes, Head, Dept. of Statistics
- 16. Dr. (Ms.) Smita Krishnan, Head, Dept. of Zoology
- 17. Dr. Pravin Henriques, Head, Dept. of Geology
- 18. Ms. Miriam Stewart, Head, Dept. of Microbiology
- 19. Dr. Karuna Gokarn, Head, Dept of Biotechnology
- 20. Ms. Soni George, BMS Coordinator
- 21. Mr. Roy Thomas, B.Sc. (IT) Coordinator
- 22. Ms. S. Periyanayagi, BMM Coordinator
- 23. Dr. (Ms.) Nandita Mangalore, Head, Dept. of Life Science
- 24. Mr. Marazban Kotwal, Controller of Exams
- 25. Dr. Jyoti Singh, B.Voc. Software Development
- 26.Ms. Siddhi Bhathgara, B.Voc. Travel & Tourism



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The meeting of the Academic Board began at 3.00 p.m. in the SCAVI.

1. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and discussed.

Points Arising out of Minutes:

- 1.1. The Department of Physics could not introduce the Lower Level Physics. Since we have too many combinations and because of the time-table issues, it was not possible to start the course this year.
- 1.2. A Resolution to pass the minutes was proposed by Dr. (Ms.) S. Annapurna and seconded by Mr. Avkash Jadhav.

2. Passing of any new Amended Syllabi:

- 2.1. The amended syllabi for the Departments of Statistics, M.A. Public Policy, M.Sc. Botany, Physics and Ancient Indian Culture were submitted for approval.
- 2.2. The Departments were informed that the Course Names should not exceed 50 characters. These changes have to take place by 3rd October 2018.
- 2.3. Dr. Anita Rane-Kothare said that the Department of AIC has proposed to start a one-year Diploma Course, which will consist of 4 modules and the course will be conducted on every Saturday. The fees would be Rs.8,000/-. The course could not be started from the current academic year.

3. Discussion on ECC Points:

- 3.1. It was suggested that we should go back to the hours system instead of the points. These could be completed in a Semester or a Year.
- 3.2. The students who take part in a particular event will be given the points. The departments should work on the distribution of the ECC Points.
- 3.3. The students should be told at the First Year level that they need not wait till the Third Year (Sem 5) to earn the ECC Points. The discussion on ECC points was proposed by Dr. Anita Rane-Kothare and seconded by Mr. Roy Thomas.

4. 10 Point Grading System for FY's:

- 4.1. Dr. Annapurna explained that we have decided to move on to the 10 point grading system. It is being introduced at the FY level initially. The SY & TY will continue with the 4 point grading system.
- 4.2. The 10 point grading system is in sync with the UGC & University of Mumbai requirements. Most of the Universities have already moved on to the 10 point grading system. It was also suggested that the grade could be called 'OS' for outstanding.



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4.3. This system was proposed by Ms. Ruby Pavri and seconded by Dr. Aditi Sawant.

5. Discussion on Finances of the College Fests:

- 5.1. It was suggested that 75% of the money for the College fests should come 2-3 weeks before the fests. After that the budget could be modified. A record should be maintained about what the money is being spent for.
- 5.2. The activities organized by the departments are paid for by the respective departments.
- 5.3. There was problem regarding finances during Malhar. Therefore, the centralized marketing team of Malhar has been asked to clear the entire backlog and clear the accounts.
- 5.4. The Treasurer's Office should give a list of requirement of documents during the College Fests before collecting the money.

6. Any Other Matter:

- 6.1. A Press Conference has been organized on 4th October 2018, at 3.00 p.m. in the XIMR Assembly Hall, for announcing the 150 years celebrations. Ex-students like Swati Piramal and Ashish Bansal will be the speakers. They will be speaking on the Heritage and Renovation and will speak about the experience as Xavierites.
- 6.2. The Principal along with Dr. Hrishikesh and Dr. Annapurna visited the RUSA Office. On 4th October the Principal will be making a presentation regarding RUSA at Delhi. A template of the data about Autonomy has to be uploaded on the College Website. Action plan is to be prepared for the next 3 years. A mock presentation was done and the final presentation will have to be done in 5 slides. A detailed project report has to be prepared.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair

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