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St. Xavier's College - Autonomous, Mumbai

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING ON 28.03.2013

AGENDA:

- 1) To pass the Minutes of the previous Meeting.
- 2) To review and pass the budget for 2013-2014.
- 3) To review changes in the Rules under Autonomy.
- 4) Plans for NAAC.

The members present were:

- 1. Ms. Anita Rane-Kothare, Dept. of A.I.C., Elected Faculty Member
- 2. Dr. Arvind Dhond, Commerce Faculty, Elected Faculty Member
- 3. Fr. Terence Quadros S.J., Alumnus
- 4. Dr. (Ms.) Vivien Amonkar, Alumna
- 5. Fr. Conrad Pesso S.J., Secretary of the Trust
- 6. Mr. V. V. Dalvie Representative of the University of Mumbai
- 7. Fr. Roy Pereira S.J., Alumnus
- 8. Dr. Frazer Mascarenhas S.J, Principal and Secretary

Dr. (Ms.) Manjusha Molavane, Dr. Shakeel Ahmad, Dr. (Fr.) Arun D'Souza, S.J., Dr. (Ms.) Manjula Nichani, and Fr. Lawrie Ferrao S.J., had excused themselves from the meeting.

The meeting of the Board of Management commenced at 2.30 p.m. in the Board Room. Dr. Frazer Mascarenhas, S.J., Principal of St. Xavier's College, chaired the meeting and began it with a short prayer.

- 1. Passing the Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising:
- The Minutes of the previous meeting were discussed. Prof. Anita Rane proposed and Dr. Arvind Dhond seconded the resolution that the Minutes of the Meeting be passed.
- It was resolved that considering the peculiar situation of the staff (University of Mumbai) boycott, the double-blind evaluation may be exempted for this Semester if found unviable. It was proposed by Prof. V. V. Dalvie and seconded by Dr. Vivien Amonkar.
- The Principal informed the members that the NAAC Team would be visiting the College for the Re-accreditation in the last week of June or one of the first two weeks of July. The Principal also said that the NAAC Committee might want to meet the Management Board on their visit to the College.



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- The Commerce evening College will bring to a close their year-long Silver Jubilee celebrations on the 13th of April 2013. The Principal invited the Management Board members for the evening event.
- The Principal informed the Board that the Solar panels that were fixed were of good demonstration value and that the Library and the Library building receive green electricity.
- The Principal informed that the measures on Gender Sensitization that were taken up by the College were discussed at the last meeting.

2. To Review and pass the Budget for 2013-2014:

- Fr. Pesso the Treasurer of the Trust presented and explained the Budget. The main budget expenditure for infrastructure development was for the façade of the first two buildings and chapel leaks.
- The salaries of the non-teaching management staff will be brought on par with the 6th pay scales as has been done with the teaching faculty and hence the salary budget has been increased.
- An application for electricity charges for educational institutions will be made.
- The Heras Institute has been brought under the College and hence there was expenditure for furniture and equipment. A Compactor was needed for the Library to preserve the good books.
- The 6th pay commission salaries have resulted in an advance from The Bombay St. Xavier's College Society for the Self-financing Courses.
- Dr. Dhond suggested that the Book Grant could be increased. The present Book Grant of Rs.500/- per faculty member could be increased to Rs.1000/-
- The UGC Grant for Faculty presenting papers at Seminars was discussed.
- Dr. Dhond suggested special centres in the College with UGC funds. However Fr. Principal explained that St. Xavier's College has no space.
- A Resolution to pass the budget was proposed by Dr. Arvind Dhond and seconded by Fr. Terence Quadros, S.J.

3. To Review Changes in the Rules under Autonomy.

- Fr. Principal explained the revised Rules under Autonomy.
- Mr. Dalvie suggested that Rule No. 7 should be modified: "depending on the nature of the practical", should be replaced by "as decided by the respective head of the department in consultation with the Principal".
- Mr. Dalvie felt that theory and practicals should not have different norms of attendance.
- The passing of these Rules was deferred to the next meeting after they were passed through the Academic Council.

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- 4. The Principal explained that the passing out undergraduate students will get a consolidated marksheet from the College at a send-off ceremony that will be held in early June. Students will get their Degree Certificates at the University Convocation later.
- 5. Mr. Dalvie suggested that a clarification should be sought from the Vice-Chancellor as to whether students from an Autonomous College would be eligible for University Ranks, although the marking system and syllabi are different. AIC and Geology P.G. departments of the College would be the only P.G. departments in the University. Hence we need to enquire about what happens to the Gold Medals and other awards.

6. Plans for NAAC

The Principal explained that for the previous NAAC visit an exhibition of all the departments was held in the Hall. This time each department would conduct an exhibition within the department.

- 7. The Principal presented the College Academic Calendar for 2013 2014. June 10th would be the start of the First Semester and 19th October the last day of the Semester. This will be followed be a three week vacation and College would re-open on the 11th of November.
- 8. The College is organizing the National Art History Congress from the 25th to 27th of October 2013. It is also the birth centenary of Fr. Heras who was responsible for the collection in the Heras Museum.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Dr. Frazer Mascarenhas S.J Principal & Secretary

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