

**MINUTES OF THE SIXTIETH MEETING
OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL**

**VENUE : VIVEKANANDA HALL
GANDHIGRAM RURAL INSTITUTE (DTBU)
GANDHIGRAM**

DATE : 05.07.2024

TIME : 10.00A.M.



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HELD ON 05.07.2024 AT 10.00 A.M. AT VIVEKANANDA HALL
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MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sl.No.	Name	Membership
1.	Dr.N.Panchanatham Vice-Chancellor Gandhigram Rural Institute (DTBU) Gandhigram.	Chairperson
2.	Dr.S.Balasundari Dean, School of English and Foreign Languages	Member
3.	Dr. O.Muthiah Dean, School of Tamil, Indian Languages and Rural Arts	Member
4.	Dr.K.Velumani Dean, School of Social Sciences & Director, Centre for Future Studies	Member
5.	Dr.A.Balakrishnan Dean, School of Health Sciences and Rural Development & Head, Department of Applied Research	Member
6.	Dr.M.Sundaramari Dean, School of Agriculture and Animal Sciences	Member
7.	Dr.M.G.Sethuraman Dean, School of Sciences	Member
8.	Dr.K.Mahendran Dean, School of Computer Science & Technologies & Director i/c., Centre for Rural Technology	Member
9.	Dr.L.Rathakrishnan Dean, School of Management Studies & Head, Department of Rural Industries and Management	Member
10.	Dr.M.R.Rajan Head, Department of Biology	Member
11.	Dr.R.Uthayakumar Head, Department of Mathematics and Director (Academic)	Member
12.	Dr.K.P.Elango Head, Department of Chemistry	Member
13.	Dr.K.S.Pushpa Head, Department of Home Science	Member
14.	Dr.S.Aripionammal Head, Department of Physics	Member
15.	Dr.P.Kalavathi Head, Department of Computer Science and Applications	Member

16.	Dr.B.Tamilmani Head, Department of Co-operation	Member
17.	Dr.P.Anandakumar Head, Department of Tamil	Member
18.	Dr.Sonkhogin Haokip Head, Dept. of Political Science & Development Administration	Member
19.	Dr.S.Rajendran Head, Department of Economics	Member
20.	Dr.R.Venkataravi Head, Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension and Librarian i/c., GRI	Member
21.	Dr.P.Anandharajakumar Head in-charge, Department of Rural Development and controller of Examinations i/c.	Member
22.	Dr.M.Saleem Baig Head In-charge, Department of Hindi	Member
23.	Dr.A.Jahitha Begum Head In-charge, Department of Education	Member
24.	Dr.R.Kumaran Head in-charge, Department of Sociology	Member
25.	Dr.R.Mani Head in-charge, Dept. of Gandhian Thought & Peace Science	Member
26.	Smt.A.Jansi Rani Head, Department of Rural Health and Sanitation	Member
27.	Dr.V.Kirubakaran Director In-charge, Centre for Rural Energy	Member
28.	Dr.B.Gurugnanam Director In-charge, Centre for Applied Geology	Member
29.	Dr.M.Muthukumar Director In-charge, Centre for Geoinformatics	Member
30.	Dr.K.Raja Alias Pranmalai Professor, Department of Rural Industries and Management	Member
31.	Dr.S.Meenakshi Professor, Department of Chemistry and Director, Research and Development, GRI.	Member
32.	Dr.K.S.Nakkeeran Professor, Dept. of Political Science & Development Administration	Member
33.	Dr.Anitha Pius Professor, Department of Chemistry	Member
34.	Dr.P.Vickraman Professor, Department of Physics	Member
35.	Dr. P.Balasubramaniam Professor, Department of Mathematics	Member
36.	Dr.T.Senthivel Professor, School of Agriculture and Animal Sciences	Member
37.	Dr.G.S.Kannan Professor, School of Agriculture and Animal Sciences	Member
38.	Dr.K.Ravichandran Professor, Department of Cooperation	Member

39.	Dr.G.Mahadhevan Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics	Member
40.	Dr. M.Hilaria Soundari Associate Professor, Centre for Applied Research	Member
41.	Dr. P.S.Sreedevi Assistant Professor, Department of Education	Member
42.	Dr. H.Samuel Thavaraj Assistant Professor, Dept. of Rural Industries and Mamangement	Member
43.	Dr.K.Kala Vice-Chancellor Mother Teresa University Kodaikanal - 624 101. Dindigul District	Member
44.	Prof.(Dr.)Amarjeet Kaur (Retd.) 153, Pearlcity, Sector - 104 Mohali - 140 306	Member
45.	Prof.Sangit Kumar Ragi Professor & Head, Room No.14, Department of Political Science, Social Science Building, University of Delhi, Delhi-110 007	Member
46.	Dr.L.Rathakrishnan Registrar in-charge Gandhigram Rural Institute Gandhigram.	Ex-Officio Secretary
47.	Dr.G.Muralidharan, Coordinator, CBCS & NEP 2020 Implementation Coordinator	Special Invitee
48.	Dr.C.Sugumar Director of Physical Education and Yoga Centre	Special Invitee
49.	Dr.R.I.Sathya, Director, DDU-KK	Special Invitee
50.	Dr.P.U.Mahalingam, Director, IQAC	Special Invitee
51.	Dr.S.S.Vijayanchali, Director i/c., Centre for Women's Studies	Special Invitee
52.	Dr.N.Palaniappan Director i/c., Computer Centre	Special Invitee

The following members could not attend the meeting of the Academic Council:

1	Dr.M.William Baskaran, Professor, Department of Gandhian Thought and Peace Science	Member
2	Dr.S.Shaji Director in-charge, Centre for Malayalam Studies	Member

The meeting started with one minute silent prayer at 10.00 a.m.

The Chairperson welcomed the members and thanked them for being available for the meeting for interaction during the meeting. He introduced the external members to the council.

The Chairperson presented the report of activities held between the previous Academic Council and the present Academic Council. He highlighted achievements of the Institute, awards won by our faculties, conduct of Convocation, MoUs signed, submission of IIQA for NAAC 4th cycle accreditation and implementation of NEP from the academic year 2024-25.

The agenda for the meeting was taken up for discussion.

1. **Item No.1027/AC.2024.VII**

To confirm the minutes of the Fifty Ninth meeting of the Academic Council held on 24.04.2023.

The Academic Council confirmed the minutes of the Fifty Ninth meeting of the Academic Council held on 24.04.2023.

2. **Item No.1028/AC.2024.VII**

To consider and approve the report of the Registrar on the action taken on the resolutions passed by the Academic Council at its 59th meeting held on 24.04.2023.

The Academic Council considered and approved the action taken report on the resolutions passed by the 59th Academic Council except item No.982. Dr.M.G.Sethuraman, expressed that the report of the committee constituted to scrutinize and verify the existing structure to have separate departments viz, Department of Botany, Department of Zoology and Department of Microbiology is to be revisited. Dr.R.I.Sathya also endorsed the views of Dr.M.G.Sethuraman.

The Chairperson said that after NAAC visit, reorganization of all Schools/Departments/Centres will be taken up by inviting representations from all concerned. Now our focus will be on NAAC visit only. A committee will be constituted for this purpose.

3. **Item No.1029/AC.2024.VII**

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Rural Health and Sanitation held on 29.05.2024.

Dr.P.Vickraman suggested that students are facing issues since the Govt. of Tamil Nadu modified the eligibility criteria for the post of Sanitary Inspectors and we need to obtain equivalency from the Department of Public Health, Govt. of Tamil Nadu to offer this programme.

The Chairperson informed that steps were initiated to get all formalities done enabling the employment of the PGDSI students.

The Academic Council considered and approved the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Rural Health and Sanitation held on 29.05.2024 except the Advanced PGDSI programme.

4. Item No.1030/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the request of the Head, Department of Rural Health and Sanitation to increase the intake of PGDSI course students from 60 to 70 from the academic year 2024-25.

The Academic Council deferred this item.

5. Item No.1031/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Rural Health and Sanitation held on 25.04.2024.

Some members opined that Dr.Renganathan Annamalai did not sign the BoS minutes. The Chairperson replied that we will take majority into account. Dr.Raja Prannalai suggested to reopen the Hostel in the Sanitation faculty since PGDSI is a residential programme. The Chairperson replied that after NAAC visit re-organisation will take place and reopening the Hostel in the Sanitation faculty will be looked into.

Smt.A.Jansi Rani, Head, Department of Rural Health and Sanitation presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Rural Health and Sanitation held on 25.04.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.R.I.Sathya, Professor, Department of Home Science.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Department of Rural Health and Sanitation held on 25.04.2024.

6. Item No.1032/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Hindi held on 13.06.2024.

Dr.M.Saleem Baig, Professor & Head i/c., Department of Hindi presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Hindi held on 13.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.P.Anandakumar, Professor and Head, Department of Tamil.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Department of Hindi held on 13.06.2024.

7. Item No.1033/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Centre for Malayalam Studies held on 13.06.2024.

Dr.O.Muthiah, Professor & Dean, School of Tamil, Indian Languages and Rural Arts presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Malayalam Studies held on 13.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.M.Saleem Baig, Professor & Head i/c., Department of Hindi.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Department of Malayalam Studies held on 13.06.2024.

8. Item No.1034/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Economics held on 20.06.2024.

Dr.S.Rajendran, Head, Department of Economics presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Economics held on 20.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.R.Kumaran, Head i/c., Department of Sociology.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Department of Economics held on 20.06.2024.

9. Item No.1035/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Political Science and Development Administration held on 20.06.2024.

Dr.Sonkhogin Haokip, Head, Department of Political Science and Development Administration presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Political Science and Development Administration held on 20.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.K.Raja Alias Prannalai, Professor, Department of Rural Industries and Management.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Department of Political Science and Development Administration held on 20.06.2024.

10. Item No.1036/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Education held on 15.11.2023.

The Academic Council considered and approved the minutes of Board of Studies for the Department of Education held on 15.11.2023 except the proposal for offering of three online Post Graduate Diploma programmes.

11. Item No.1037/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of feasibility committee meeting of Department of Applied Research held on 21.05.2024.

The minutes of feasibility committee was discussed. Members opined that the Committee is to be reconstituted with more eminent faculty members. The Academic Council considered and approved the reconstitution of feasibility committee and the new committee will revisit and submit its report on the availability of infrastructure, man power etc. The Academic Council considered and resolved in principle to offer the B.A. Hons 4 year programme (Demography and Development Studies) in the academic year 2024-25.

12. Item No.1038/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Gandhian Thought and Peace Science held on 14.06.2024.

Dr.R.Mani, Head i/c., Department of Gandhian Thought and Peace Science presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Gandhian Thought and Peace Science held on 14.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.S.Rajendran, Professor & Head, Department of Economics.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Gandhian Thought and Peace Science held on 14.06.2024.

13. Item No.1039/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Centre for Rural Energy held on 20.06.2024.

Dr.V.Kirubakaran, Director i/c., Centre for Rural Energy presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Centre for Rural Energy Science held on 20.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.K.Mahendran, Professor & Director i/c., Centre for Rural Technology.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies for the Centre for Rural Energy held on 20.06.2024.

14. Item No.1040/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Biology held on 21.06.2024.

Dr.M.R.Rajan, Head, Department of Biology presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Biology held on 21.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.G.S.Kannan, Professor, School of Agriculture and Animal Sciences.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies for the Department of Biology held on 21.06.2024.

15. Item No.1041/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension held on 26.06.2024.

Dr.R.Venkataravi, Head, Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension held on 26.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.R.I.Sathya, Professor, Department of Home Science.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies for the Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension held on 26.06.2024.

16. Item No.1042/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the School of Agriculture and Animal Sciences held on 26.06.2024.

Dr.M.Sundaramari, Dean, School of Agriculture and Animal Science presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the School of Agriculture and Animal Science held on 26.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.P.Vickraman, Professor, Department of Physics.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the School of Agriculture and Animal Science held on 26.06.2024.

17. Item No.1043/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the transition of existing B.Sc.B.Ed. (Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry) into ITEP courses as per Government of India Public Notice.

The Academic Council considered and approved the continuation of existing B.Sc.B.Ed. (Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry) for the academic year 2024-25.

18. Item No.1044/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Chemistry held on 18.06.2024.

Dr.K.P.Elango, Head, Department of Chemistry presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Chemistry held on 18.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.K.Mahendran, Professor, Centre for Rural Technology.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies for the Department of Chemistry held on 18.06.2024.

19. Item No.1045/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Sociology held on 24.06.2024.

Dr.R.Kumaran, Head i/c., Department of Sociology presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Sociology held on 24.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.S.Rajendran, Professor & Head, Department of Economics.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Department of Sociology held on 24.06.2024.

20. Item No.1046/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Computer Science and Applications held on 20.06.2024.

Dr.P.Kalavathi, Head, Department of Computer Science and Applications presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Computer Science and Applications held on 20.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.G.S.Kannan, Professor, School of Agriculture and Animal Sciences.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Department of Computer Science and Applications held on 20.06.2024.

21. Item No.1047/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Physical Education and Yoga held on 24.06.2024.

Dr.C.Sugumar, Director of Physical Education presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Centre for Physical Education and Yoga held on 24.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.S.S.Vijayanchali, Professor, Department of Home Science.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Centre for Physical Education and Yoga held on 24.06.2024.

22. Item No.1048/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in B.Voc. Renewable Energy held on 22.06.2024.

Dr.V.Kirubakaran, Course Coordinator, B.Voc. Renewable Energy presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Renewable Energy programme held on 22.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.R.I.Sathya, Director, DDU-KK, GRI.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Renewable Energy programme held on 22.06.2024.

23. Item No.1049/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Rural Industries and Management held on 24.06.2024.

Dr.L.Rathakrishnan, Head, Department of Rural Industries and Management presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Rural Industries and Management held on 24.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.R.Mani, Professor & Head i/c., Department of Gandhian Thought and Peace Science.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Department of Rural Industries and Management held on 24.06.2024.

24. Item No.1050/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve implementation of academic programmes based on National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 recommendations in GRI from the academic year 2024-25 onwards.

The Chairperson requested Dr.Muralidharan to narrate the curriculum framework done for implementation of National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 from the academic year 2024-25.

Dr.Muralidharan explained the formulation of curriculum framework and credit transfer etc. for all UG programme for 4 years with provisions to exit in the third year. The re-organisation of all 3 year UG programmes into 4 years is being done at GRI and this is the first institution introducing this 4 year Honours UG programme. Curriculum framework was done keeping in view of the essential factors of UGC mandatory norms of entry and exit at different points.

The Academic Council considered and approved for implementation of National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 from this academic year 2024-25.

25. Item No.1051/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the School of English and Foreign Languages held on 20.06.2024.

Dr.A.Balasundari, Dean, School of English and Foreign Languages presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in English held on 20.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.Anitha Pius, Professor, Department of Chemistry.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies in English held on 20.06.2024.

26. Item No.1052/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in French held on 21.06.2024.

Dr.A.Balasundari, Dean, School of English and Foreign Languages presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in French held on 21.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.Anitha Pius, Professor, Department of Chemistry.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies in French held on 21.06.2024.

27. Item No.1053/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Fine Arts held on 28.06.2024.

Dr.P.Anandakumar, Head, Department of Tamil presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Fine Arts held on 28.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.G.Muralidharan, Professor, Department of Physics.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies in Fine Arts held on 28.06.2024.

28. Item No.1054/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Mathematics held on 19.06.2024.

Dr.R.Uthayakumar, Head, Department of Mathematics presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Mathematics held on 19.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.G.Mahadevan, Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Department of Mathematics held on 19.06.2024.

29. Item No.1055/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Centre for Futures Studies held on 21.06.2024.

Dr.K.Velumani, Director, Centre for Future Studies presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Centre for Futures Studies held on 21.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.M.G.Sethuraman, Professor, Department of Chemistry.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Centre for Futures Studies held on 21.06.2024.

30. Item No.1056/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Home Science held on 25.06.2024.

Dr.K.S.Pushpa, Head, Department of Home Science presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Home Science held on 25.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.R.I.Sathya, Professor, Department of Home Science.

The Academic Council considered and approved the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Home Science held on 25.06.2024 except the eligibility criteria for admission to M.Sc. Food Science and Nutrition which will be decided later.

31. Item No.1057/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Centre for Applied Geology held on 21.06.2024.

Dr.B.Gurugnanam, Director i/c., Centre for Applied Geology presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Centre for Applied Geology held on 21.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.M.G.Sethuraman, Professor, Department of Chemistry.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Centre for Applied Geology held on 21.06.2024.

32. Item No.1058/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Tamil held on 19.06.2024.

Dr.P.Anandakumar, Head, Department of Tamil presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Tamil held on 19.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.R.Kumaran, Head i/c., Department of Sociology.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Department of Tamil held on 19.06.2024.

33. Item No.1059/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Applied Research held on 14.06.2024.

Dr.A.Balakrishnan, Head, Department of Applied Research presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Applied Research held on 14.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.R.Mani, Professor & Head i/c., Department of Gandhian Thought an Peace Science.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Department of Applied Research held on 14.06.2024.

34. Item No.1060/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Physics held on 25.06.2024.

Dr.S.Ariponnammal, Head, Department of Physics presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Physics held on 25.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.P.U.Mahalinam, Professor, Department of Biology.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Department of Physics held on 25.06.2024.

35. Item No.1061/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Centre for Rural Technology held on 25.06.2024.

Dr.K.Mahendran, Director i/c., Centre for Rural Technology presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Centre for Rural Technology held on 25.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.G.Muralidharan, Professor, Department of Physics.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Centre for Rural Technology held on 25.06.2024.

36. Item No.1062/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Centre for Geoinformatics held on 20.06.2024.

Dr.M.Muthukumar, Director i/c., Centre for Geoinformatics presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Centre for Geoinformatics held on 20.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.R.Kumaran, Head i/c., Department of Sociology.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Centre for Geoinformatics held on 20.06.2024.

37. Item No.1063/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Centre for Women's Studies held on 28.06.2024.

Dr.S.S.Vijayanchali, Director i/c., Centre for Women's Studies presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Centre for Women's Studies held on

28.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.A.Balasundari, Dean, School of English and Foreign Languages.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Centre of Women's Studies held on 28.06.2024.

38. Item No.1064/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Organic Agriculture and Enterprise Development held on 28.06.2024.

Dr.T.Senthivel, Course Coordinator, B.Voc. Organic Agriculture and Enterprise Development presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Organic Agriculture and Enterprise Development held on 28.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.Anitha Pius, Professor, Department of Chemistry.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Organic Agriculture and Enterprise Development held on 28.06.2024.

39. Item No.1065/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Farm Equipments Operation and Maintenance Programme held on 01.07.2024.

Dr.T.Senthivel, Course Coordinator, B.Voc. Farm Equipments Operation and Maintenance Programme presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Farm Equipments Operation and Maintenance Programme held on 01.07.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.P.Kalavathi, Head, Department of Computer Science and Applications.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Farm Equipments Operation and Maintenance Programme held on 28.06.2024.

40. Item No.1066/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Dairy Production Technology held on 25.06.2024.

Dr.T.Senthivel, Course Coordinator, B.Voc. Dairy Production Technology presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Dairy Production Technology held on 25.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.R.I.Sathya, Directir, DDU-KK.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Dairy Production Technology held on 25.06.2024.

41. Item No.1067/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Food Processing held on 26.06.2024.

Dr.R.I.Sathya, Course Coordinator, B.Voc. Food Processing presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Food Processing held on 26.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.T.Senthivel, Professor, School of Agriculture and Animal Sciences.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Food Processing held on 26.06.2024.

42. Item No.1068/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Food Testing & Quality Evaluation held on 26.06.2024.

Dr.R.I.Sathya, Course Coordinator, B.Voc. Food Testing & Quality Evaluation presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Food Testing & Quality Evaluation held on 26.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.K.S.Pushpa, Professor, Department of Home Science.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Food Testing & Quality Evaluation programme held on 26.06.2024.

43. Item No.1069/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Footwear and Accessories Design held on 26.06.2024.

Dr.R.I.Satya, Course Coordinator, B.Voc. Footwear and Accessories Design presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Footwear and Accessories Design held on 26.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.M.Muthukumar, Assistant Professor, Centre for Geoinformatics.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies for the B.Voc. Footwear and Accessories Design held on 26.06.2024.

44. Item No.1070/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Research Advisory Committee and constitution of Institute Research Advisory Council (IRAC).

Dr.S.Meenakshi presented the minutes of the meeting of the Research Advisory Committee stated that the existing RAC will be replaced with Institute Research Advisory Council (IRAC) as per the UGC guidelines and as per the Committee drafting

Ph.D guidelines 2024. The Interim recommendation of drafting Committee is considered and approved by the Academic Council.

Further, the Academic Council authorized the Vice-Chancellor to consider the draft Ph.D Guidelines 2024 and implement from the Academic Year 2024-25 subject to ratification by Academic Council.

45. Item No.1071/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the Committee meeting to scrutinize and for starting of separate Departments viz., Department of Botany, Department of Zoology and Department of Microbiology held on 27.05.2024.

The Chairperson said that after NAAC visit, re-organisation will be considered after calling for representation from all the departments /schools. Along with others, department of biology will also be considered for re-organization.

46. Item No.1072/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the request of the Director, Centre for Rural Technology for creation of Department of Civil Engineering.

The Chairperson said that after NAAC visit, re-organisation/restructuring will take place for renaming, change of nomenclature of departments etc.

47. Item No.1073/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Cooperation held on 21.06.2024.

Dr.B.Tamilmani, Head, Department of Cooperation presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Cooperation held on 21.06.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.K.Ravichandran, Professor, Department of Cooperation.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the Department of Cooperation held on 21.06.2024.

48. Item No.1074/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Multimedia Production Technology held on 02.07.2024.

Dr.R.Venkataravi, Course Coordinator, B.Voc. Multimedia Production Technology presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Multimedia Production Technology held on 02.07.2024 and it was seconded by Dr.R.I.Sathya, Director, DDU-KK.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies of the B.Voc. Multimedia Production Technology held on 02.07.2024.

49. Item No.1075/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve admitting Ph.D Scholars by conducting entrance test and interview in July 2024 session.

The Academic Council considered and approved to admit the Ph.D Scholars in July 2024 session subject to clearance of NET exam by the candidates.

50. Item No.1076/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the appointment of Professor of Practice for participation of Experienced practitioners / professionals / industry experts in the teaching learning process, as per the NEP-2020 guidelines.

The Academic Council considered and approved for the appointment of Professor of Practice for participation of Experienced practitioners / professionals / industry experts in the teaching learning process, as per the NEP-2020 guidelines.

51. Item No.1077/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the appointment of Emeritus Professor (Honorary) from various discipline in the school / Department / Centre of GRI.

The Academic Council considered and approved for the appointment of Emeritus Professor (Honorary) from various discipline in the school / Department / Centre of GRI.

52. Item No.1078/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve mentioning of date of Viva-Voce in the Ph.D certificates.

The Academic Council considered and approved the mentioning of date of viva-voce in the Ph.D. Degree Certificates.

53. Item No.1079/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve introducing New Marks and Grade Statement in line with Digi-Locker format.

The Academic Council considered and approved change of Statement of Marks and Grade format in line with Digi-Locker format from the Academic year 2024-25.

54. Item No.1080/AC.2024.VII

To consider and approve the modification of structure of End Semester Question (ESE) paper format being followed for examination by the Institute

The Academic Council authorized the Vice-Chancellor to constitute a committee for suggesting examination reforms and implement the recommendations subject to ratification by Academic Council.

55. Item No.1081/AC.2024.VII - Any other matter:

1. Dr.M.G.Sethuraman stated that one Board of Studies for School/Department/Centre is to be constituted instead of Board of Studies for each programme and uniformity should be maintained. The Chairperson replied that it will be decided after NAAC visit and uniformity will be ensured.
2. Dr.P.U.Mahalingam suggested to issue Ph.D. degrees in Biology/Botany/Zoology/Microbiology depending on the specialization instead of issuing Ph.D. degrees in Biology only. The Academic Council resolved to refer this matter to a Committee to be constituted for proposing Examination Reforms as referred in Item No.1080/AC.2024.VII.

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