

Sacred Heart College (Autonomous), Tirupattur - 635 601
Minutes of the 34th Ordinary Meeting of the Academic Council

Date: 13/09/2019 Time : 11:00 a.m.

Venue: DMT Hall

Prayer

The 34th Ordinary Meeting of the Academic Council began with an audio visual prayer song.

Welcoming

Rev.Dr.D.Maria Antony Raj, Principal and Chairman of the Academic Council welcomed all the members to the meeting. He welcomed the newly inducted Outstanding Educationist Dr.K.Srinivasan, Associate Professor, School of Chemistry, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchrappalli to the meeting. He also extended his words of welcome to Dr.F.Sagayaraj Francis, Professor, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, Pondicherry Engineering College, Puducherry, and the University Nominees, Dr.Ernest David, Professor, Department of Bio-Technology, Dr.K.Ravichandran, Associate Professor, Department of English, Dr.G.Singaravelu, Associate Professor, Department of Zoology, Tiruvalluvar University to the meeting. He also welcomed all the internal members of the Academic Council to the meeting.

Rev.Dr.D.Maria Antony Raj, SDB, informed to the members that Rev.Dr.Alphonse Manickam and Dr.Bushan.D.Sudhakar, the Outstanding Educationists have conveyed their inability to attend the meeting for personal reasons.

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Dr.A.George Louis Raja, read out the minutes of the 33rd ordinary meeting of the academic council convened on 1st March, 2019.

The following corrections were suggested by the members

Rev.Dr.I.Joe Sanjay mentioned that the certificate course in learning disabilities was passed in the Board of Counselling Psychology and the entry is found missing in the minutes.

Rev.Dr.A.Albert Irudayaraj, mentioned that some of the chairmen are holding the positions for both Undergraduate and M.Phil Board of Studies and the designations should be properly mentioned.

With the above amendments the minutes of the 33rd ordinary meeting of the academic council was approved and passed.

Department of Life Education

Rev.Dr.C.Antonyraj, Chairman of the Board presented that the existing structure and curriculum will be continued. He highlighted about the recruitment of specialized teachers, who are trained in the specific field to disseminate various skills to the students. In a response

to a query by Dr.Ernest David about the types of skills taught by the department, Rev.Dr.C.Antonyraj, briefed that the department is established to inculcate communicative, leadership, technical and interview skills to the students. Rev.Dr.D.Maria Antony Raj, Chairman intervened and added that there is a tremendous improvement in the attitude of the students with increased confidence level, once they successfully undergo the series of courses offered by the department of Life Education.

The members of the academic council collectively approved and consented to continue with the existing curriculum offered by the Department of Life Education.

Department of Tamil

Dr.P.Selvakumar, Chairman of the General Tamil and M.Phil. Board of Studies presented that the board has recommended to continue with the existing curriculum for the Part-I (Tamil, Hindi Urdu and French) and M.Phil (Tamil) programme. Dr.P.Balasubramanian, Chairman of the UG & PG Boards of studies presented the recommendations of the board. He specified that the board has approved to follow the existing curriculum of B.A. (Tamil) and M.A. (Tamil) programmes. In a response to the query by Dr.K.Ravichandran, about the presence of Dalit Literature in the M.A. (Tamil) Curriculum, Dr.P.Balasubramanian clarified that Dalit Literature is included in the course ‘Illakiya Kotpaadu’.

The members of the academic council unanimously approved and consented to continue with the existing curriculum of Part – I (Tamil, Urdu, French and Hindi), B.A, M.A and M.Phil., (Tamil) programmes.

Department of English

Mr.N.Arul Doss, Chairman of the General English and M.Phil., Board presented that the existing curriculum will be continued for Part-II English and M.Phil. (English) as per the decision by the Board of Studies. Mrs.J.Mary Jenif, Chairman of the UG Board of Studies presented that the board has agreed to continue with the existing curriculum of B.A., and M.A English programmes. She mentioned about the shuffling of the Papers EN713T Shakespeare and EN1011T English Language Teaching. in the 1st and 3rd Semesters. Dr.K.Ravichandran suggested to uphold the essence of English literature in the curriculum, and the Chairman of the Academic Council directed the Board of Studies to consult with the Controller of Examinations to consider the possibility to shuffle the Papers EN713T Shakespeare and EN1011T English Language Teaching. The members of the academic council collectively approved and consented to continue with the existing curriculum of Part-II, B.A, M.A. and M.Phil. (English) programmes.

Department of Economics

Dr.J.Jacob Stanley Inbaraj, Chairman of the UG Board of Studies, mentioned that the board has resolved to follow the existing curriculum of B.A. (Economics) and Allied Economics.

Dr.A.Xavier Susairaj, Chairman of the PG and M.Phil Board of Studies, mentioned that it was recommended by the Board of Studies to follow the existing curriculum for M.A. (Economics) and M.Phil (Economics) programmes.

The members of the academic council unanimously approved and consented to continue with the existing curriculum of B.A, M.A. and M.Phil. (Economics) programmes and Allied Economics.

Department of History

Dr.D.Leslin, Chairman of the Board of Studies, presented that the existing curriculum and structure of B.A. (History) will be continued which was collectively approved by the members of the academic council.

Department of Commerce

Dr.K.A.Maria John Joseph, Chairman of UG and M.Phil Board of Studies briefed that the board has agreed to continue with the existing structure and the content for the B.Com. and M.Phil. (Commerce) programmes. Dr.K.Anbalagan, Chairman of the PG Board of Studies conveyed that the board has accepted to continue with the existing curriculum and syllabus of M.Com. It was consented unanimously by the members of the academic council to continue with the existing curriculum and structure of B.Com, M.Com and M.Phil (Commerce) programmes.

Department of Commerce (Computer Applications)

Mr.P.Saravanan, Chairman of the Board of Studies presented that the board has recommended to continue with the existing pattern and curriculum for B.Com. (Computer Applications) and it was accepted collectively by the academic council.

Department of Business Administration

Mr.R.Veerappan, Chairman of the Board of Studies conveyed that the board has consented to adhere to the existing curriculum and syllabus of B.B.A programme and the academic council unanimously accepted the same.

Department of Social Work

Dr.S.Paul Raj, Chairman of the PG and M.Phil Board of Studies conveyed that the existing curriculum and syllabus for M.S.W is recommended by the Board and presented the suggestions by the board in the credit allotment for the certificate courses. He mentioned that the 8 additional credits allotted for the certificate courses, can be divided equally (four credits

each) between the 2 certificate courses organized by the department and the 2 NPTEL/SWAYAM courses opted by the students. Dr.F.Sagayaraj Francis suggested to have a clear mapping between the number of hours and the number of credits allotted in the online courses. Dr.S.Paul Raj also briefed that for conceptual clarity rearrangement of unit and chapter contents in the courses were made without affecting the examinations.

The members of the academic council collectively agreed that the existing pattern and syllabus of M.S.W., (Social Work) will be continued.

Department of Management Studies

Dr.S.Sasi Kumar, Chairman of the PG and M.Phil. Board of Studies notified that the existing syllabus and curriculum of M.B.A and M.Phil (Management Studies) , Post Graduate Diploma in Human Resource Management (PGDHRM), Post Graduate Diploma in Import and Export Management (PGDIEM), Post Graduate and Diploma in Logistics Management (PGDLM) programmes will be continued. The same was approved by the academic council.

Department of Mathematics

Dr.R.Murali, Chairman of the UG Board of Studies mentioned that B.Sc., (Mathematics) and Allied Mathematics syllabi will be continued. He also notified that as per the request from the Computer Science Board, changes have been amended in the syllabi of the Allied Mathematics Courses. Dr.A.George Maria Selvam, Chairman of the PG and M.Phil. Board of Studies specified that the syllabi of M.Sc., (Mathematics) and M.Phil (Mathematics) are unchanged. The academic council collectively agreed to follow the existing curriculum and structure of B.Sc., M.Sc., M.Phil (Mathematics) programmes and Allied Mathematics.

Department of Physics

Dr.A.Albert Irudayaraj, Chairman of the UG and M.Phil., Board of Studies and Dr.M.Jose Chairman of the PG Board of Studies presented that the existing syllabi and curriculum of B.Sc., M.Sc., M.Phil in Physics and Allied Physics is recommended to be continued by the board. Dr.A.Albert Irudayaraj asked for the opinion of the academic council to include external examiners during the end year practical examinations. Dr.M.Jose suggested to allow the departments in future to draft and finalize the question paper pattern. After discussions, the academic council agreed to include external examiners and forwarded the suggestion by Dr.M.Jose to be discussed in the Curriculum Development Cell. The members of the academic council unanimously accepted to continue with the existing syllabi of B.Sc., M.Sc., and M.Phil, (Physics) programmes and Allied Physics courses.

Department of Chemistry

Dr.S.R.Xavier Rajarathinam, Chairman of the UG and M.Phil. Board of Studies and Dr.V.Collins Arun Prakash, Chairman of the PG Board of Studies briefed that the existing syllabus and curriculum of B.Sc., M.Sc., M.Phil in Chemistry and Allied Chemistry will be continued as per the directions of the board. The same was consented by the academic council.

Department of Computer Science

Dr.L.Ravi, Chairman of the UG and M.Phil. Board of Studies notified that the board has recommended to continue with the existing pattern and curriculum for the B.Sc., and M.Phil (Computer Science) programmes. He also briefed that as per the feedback from various stakeholders, the request for change of the allied mathematics curriculum is forwarded to the Mathematics Board of Studies. Dr.S.Sagayaraj, the Chairman of the PG Board of Studies mentioned that it was resolved by the board to continue with the existing curriculum of M.Sc., (Computer Science). The members of the academic council consented to continue with the existing curriculum of B.Sc., M.Sc and M.Phil (Computer Science) programmes.

Department of Biochemistry

Mrs.S.Ananthalakshmi, Chairman of the UG Board of Studies notified that it was resolved to continue with the existing curriculum and syllabi for both B.Sc., (Biochemistry) programme and Allied Biochemistry the same was approved by the academic council.

Mrs.A.C.Gomathi, Chairman of the PG and M.Phil. Board of Studies presented that the syllabi of M.Sc., and M.Phil., (Biochemistry) and Post graduate Diploma in Medical Lab Technology (PGDMLT) would be continued and was approved by the academic council.

Department of Microbiology

Dr.P.Saranraj, Chairman of the UG Board of Microbiology notified that the board has directed to follow the existing pattern and curriculum of B.Sc., (Microbiology) programme and was agreed by the academic council.

Department of Computer Applications (UG)

Mr.A.John Martin, Chairman of the UG Board of Studies presented that the existing syllabus and curriculum of B.C.A is recommended to be continued and the academic council passed the recommendations of the board.

Department of Counselling Psychology

Rev.Dr.I.Joe Sanjay, Chairman of the Board of Studies presented that the existing syllabus of M.Sc., (Counselling Psychology) would be followed as per the recommendations of the Board of Studies and was passed by the academic council.

Department of Computer Applications (PG)

Dr.A.George Louis Raja, Chairman of the PG Board of Studies briefed that the existing syllabus and curriculum of M.C.A and M.Phil (Computer Applications) were recommended to be continued by the Board of Studies and the academic council agreed to the recommendation of the board to continue with the existing curriculum.

Resolutions

- The shuffling of the Papers EN713T Shakespeare and EN1011T English Language Teaching in 3rd and 5th semester respectively by the department of English was approved by the Academic Council.
- The rearrangement of unit and chapter contents in the MSW syllabus for semesters III and IV without affecting the examination and the allotment of 8 additional credits to be equally divided between the department organized certificate programmes and NPTEL/SWAYAM online certificate courses, proposed by the Social Work board was approved by the Academic Council.
- The request from Physics department to include external examiners during the end year practical examinations was approved by the Academic Council.
- After discussions, it was agreed to carry on with the upcoming curriculum revision giving ample importance to Outcome Based Education (OBE) model.

Vote of Thanks

The 34th ordinary meeting of the academic council concluded with words of gratitude by the Chairman, Rev.Dr.D.Maria Antony Raj, after which the members dispersed for the group photo.