



श्री माता वैष्णो देवी विश्वविद्यालय
Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University

MINUTES OF THE 8TH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON THE 6TH OF AUGUST
2007 IN THE COUNCIL HALL IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE BLOCK OF THE UNIVERSITY.

PRESENT

1. Prof. N.K.Bansal Vice Chancellor	Chairman
2. Prof. Lalit Mangotra 478. Sec-C, Sainik Colony, Jammu.	Member
3. Prof. R.K.Abrol Principal, MIET, Jammu.	Member
4. Prof. R. S. Mishra Dean of Students, SMVDU.	Ex-Officio Member
5. Prof. (Dr.) V.Verma Dean, College of Sciences, SMVDU	Ex-Officio Member
6. Mr. Subrata Deb Librarian, SMVDU	Ex-Officio Member
7. Prof. C. L. Razdan, Director, School of Architecture & Landscape Design	Ex-Officio Member
8. Dr. Akshay Tikoo Director, School of Biotechnology	Ex-Officio Member
9. Dr. S.K.Wanchoo Director I/c, School of Applied Physics & Mathematics	Ex-Officio Member
10. Mr. Sumeet Gupta Director I/c, School of Electronics & Communication Engineering	Ex-Officio Member
11. Dr. (Mrs.)Vandhana Sharma, Director I/c, School of Languages	Ex-Officio Member
12. Dr. Vishal Singh Director I/c, School of Infrastructure Technology & Resource Management.	Ex-Officio Member
13. Dr. Supran Sharma Assistant Professor, School of Economics	Invitee
14. Dr. Jyoti Sharma Assistant Professor, School of Business	Invitee
15. Mr. Balbir Singh Assistant Professor, School of Mechanical Engineering	Invitee
16. Mr. Sanjay Bhatnagar Registrar	Secretary

Prof. Balakrishnan, Dr. Qazi & Prof. G.S.Sambyal, could not participate in the meeting. Mr. Ajay Koul, Director I/c CSE, was on leave and also could not attend the meeting.

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor welcomed all members to the Seventh Meeting of the Academic Council. At the very onset he welcomed the new members to the Academic Council; Mr. Sanjay Bhatnagar, who has recently joined the University as Registrar, after serving as Chief Administrative Officer at MDI Gurgaon; Prof. R.S.Mishra, Ex-HOD Deptt. of Philosophy, IIT Kanpur and Prof. (Dr.) V.Verma Scientist F Division of Biotechnology, RRL (CSIR) Jammu, have joined the University as Professor & Dean College of PC&L and Professor & Dean College of Sciences respectively.

He also thanked Prof. Lalit Mangotra & Prof. R.K.Abrol, for taking out time from their busy schedule to attend this meeting.

He then started the proceedings of the meeting.

- Agenda Item No. 8.1** **Considering Confirmation of the Minutes of the 7th Meeting of the Academic Council held on 25th January 2007.**
- The Council considered the Minutes of the 7th Meeting of the Academic Council held on 25th January 2007 and resolved to confirm the same.
- Agenda Item No. 8.2** **Action Taken/Present position about the recommendations of the Academic Council made on the last (7th) meeting held on 25th January 2007.**
- 8.2.1 to 8.2.2**
- The Council noted constitution of the Board of Studies for the College of Philosophy, Culture & Languages (CPC&L) and for the College of Management. It opined that the Board for CPC&L must have some representation from Languages also. The Council recommended inclusion of Ms. Vandhana Sharma, Director School of Languages & Mr. Romey Borges, former Chairman School of Languages, JNU in the Board.
- 8.2.3** **Two year PG programme in Mathematics.**
- The Council expressed satisfaction on the fact that the course has got an overwhelming response and the University would now be conducting it on the Campus itself, instead of Public Relations Office at Jammu.
- 8.2.4 to 8.2.15**
- The Academic Council noted the information.
- 8.2.16** **Restructuring of the College of Philosophy, Culture & Languages.**
- The Council reiterated that the College of Philosophy, Culture & Languages should have only two Schools, namely, School of Philosophy & Culture & School of Languages. The members opined that the School of Philosophy & Culture has been coined to provide a holistic view to Culture, Spirituality, Religion & Philosophy. It was discussed that the College is offering two year MA(Philosophy) course, the syllabus of which covers many topics from religion and spirituality.
- The Council recommend the same for ratification of the Executive Council.
- 8.2.17** **Language Laboratory in College of Philosophy, Culture & Languages.**
- The Council noted the information that process for setting up of the Lab is in progress and soon orders shall be placed for the equipment.
- 8.2.18** **One-year part-time certificate course in Science of Yoga.**
- The Council was informed that the proposal stands deferred, instead the College of Philosophy, Culture & Languages is starting a two year full time MA(Philosophy) course from this academic session.
- 8.2.19** **EEG lab with power spectrum analysis facility.**
- The Council noted the information that the proposal is being worked out.
- 8.2.20** **Starting of an integrated programme in M.Sc.[Electronics]**
- The Council was informed that the proposal is due to be submitted.

Agenda Item No.	Reporting Items:
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8.3.1	<p>New Faculty Appointments</p> <p>The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor informed the Council that the University has established a Corporate Relations & Scientific Research Division [CRSRD] headed by Mr. Bablee Kumar Bhatia who has recently joined the University as Assistant Professor. The Division would be responsible for maintaining liaison for Corporate Research & Development besides handling Training & Placement activities. The Council was also informed that the University was facing some difficulty in attracting faculty at very senior levels.</p>
8.3.2	<p>Resignation of Faculty Members</p> <p>The Council noted the information.</p>
8.3.3	<p>Memorandum of Understanding [MOU's] signed with foreign Universities.</p> <p>The Council noted the information, presented by the University. Prof. Lalit Mangotra, appreciated the steps taken by the University in this direction and stated that the Faculty & Students should try to make maximum use of this facility.</p>
8.3.4	<p>Visit of Foreign Professors.</p> <p>The Council noted the information, presented by the University.</p>
Agenda Item No. 8.4	<p>Approving the list of MBA & M.Sc.[Economics] students [2005 batch] qualifying for the issue of respective Degrees in the 1st Convocation of the University.</p> <p>The Council approved the proposal and recommended the same for ratification of the Executive Council.</p>
Agenda Item No. 8.5	<p>Starting a two year full-time Masters course in Philosophy from this Academic Session 2007.</p> <p>The Council was informed that in the State of Jammu & Kashmir no other university is offering a full fledged course in Philosophy. Prof. R.S.Mishra, Dean CPC&L further added that this 80 credit course comprised of 20 core courses and 15 Elective courses, and one Essay course to be taken by a student under the supervision of a Faculty supervisor.</p> <p>He stated that to ensure balance, a mix of courses from Indian and Western Philosophy have been included. Prof. Lalit Mangotra suggested that it must also include a course on computer fundamentals, which was agreed to by the Council members.</p> <p>The Council after deliberations approved the proposal and recommended the same for ratification of the Executive Council.</p>
Agenda Item No. 8.6	<p>Introduction of new courses, modifications in the existing curriculum of MBA & MBA [BE]course as well as corresponding change in the credits.</p> <p>The Academic Council considered and approved the introduction of new courses & modifications in the existing curriculum of MBA & MBA [BE] course as well as corresponding change in the credits as follows:</p> <p><u>For MBA course</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) 'Business Communications' course offered by School of Languages with 3 credits is added. 2) 'Research Methodology' has been introduced in Semester II, with 3 credits thereby increasing the total credits from 96 to 102.

3) The following courses have been modified:

Old Courses	Clubbed & introduced/replaced as
Consumer Behaviour & Marketing Research Sales & Distribution Management	Strategic Marketing
Management of Change Organisational Development	Strategic & International HRM
Organisation Structure & Processes	Organisation Psychology

4) Specialisation has been introduced in Supply Chain Management with the following courses:

- Logistics Management
- Information Management & Supply Chain Networking
- Global Logistics Management
- Relationship & Supplier Management
- Supply Chain Environment & Corporate Practices

For MBA [BE] Course

- 1) 'Business Communications' course offered by School of Languages with 3 credits is added.
- 2) 'Business Research Methods' has been introduced in Semester II with 3 credits.
- 3) 'Viva-Voce' carrying 3 credits has been introduced in Semester I & Semester II respectively, taking the total number of credits to 99.
- 4) 'Economics of Services' has been shifted to Semester IV
- 5) The following courses have been modified:

Old Courses	Clubbed & introduced/replaced as
Consumer Behaviour & Marketing Research Sales & Distribution Management	Strategic Marketing
Human Resource Development	Strategic & International HRM

6) Specialisation has been introduced in Supply Chain Management with the following courses:

- a. Logistics Management
- b. Information Management & Supply Chain Networking
- c. Global Logistics Management
- d. Supply Chain Environment & Corporate Practices

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Item No.
8.7

Assigning Credits to the courses offered by College of Philosophy, Culture & Languages & Introduction of new courses.

The proposal for assigning credits and introduction of new courses was approved by the Council as under:

S.No.	Name of the Course	L-T-P	Credits	Target Class
1.	English in Practice [PLNL 101 B]	2-0-0	2	B.Tech Sem I
2.	Communication Skills [PLNL 102 B]	2-0-0	2	B.Tech Sem II
3.	Rhetoric & Public Speaking [PLNE 103]	3-0-0	3	Elective Sem VII & VIII
4.	Indian Writing in English [PLNE 104]	3-0-0	3	Elective Sem VII & VIII
5.	Phonetics & Phonology [PLNE 105]	3-0-0	3	Elective Sem VII & VIII
6.	Introduction to Logic [PPCL 201 B]	3-0-0	3	B.Tech Sem III / IV
7.	Riddles of Existence [PPCE 302 B]	2-1-0	3	Elective Sem VII & VIII

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Item No. 8.8 Modification in the course structure proposed for the new batch of B.Tech [E&CE] programme and corresponding modifications of the course structure of 2005 and 2006 batches of B.Tech [E&CE].

The Council approved the proposal.

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Item No. 8.9 Proposal of School of Biotechnology for modification in the Syllabus of B.Tech [IBT] course.

The Council after deliberations remarked that the School of Biotechnology should first discuss the changes in its Board of Studies meeting. After the changes are approved by the Board unanimously, then they should be presented before the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor for further necessary approval of the Academic Council. The decision was deferred by the Council.

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Item No. 8.10 Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

A. Proposal for changes / modifications in the existing course structure of B.Tech [Mechanical] course.

The proposal as submitted was approved for Ist and IIIrd Semester only. The Council advised the School of Mechanical Engineering to get the syllabus ratified by its Board of Studies and then place it before the Academic Council for approval. The decision regarding the rest of the semesters was deferred by the Council.

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


(Sanjay Bhatnagar)
Registrar

No: SMVDU/A&E/07/1028
Date: 11th August 2007.

CC:

1. PS to the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor for the information of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.
2. All members Concerned.
3. Concerned File.