

Hindi Vidya Prachar Samiti's
R. J. College of Arts, Science & Commerce

Minutes of the Meeting of the Academic Council

7th August, 2019

The Academic Council of R J College autonomous was held on 7th August, 2019 at 11 AM in the Seminar Hall of the college. Chairman Dr Usha Mukundan extended a warm welcome all the members of the academic council which included the Vice Chancellor's nominee and Industry experts. Dr Himanshu Dawda the member secretary continued with the deliberations of the meeting.

Total members present	:	32
Leave of absence	:	Dr B V Bhosale
Invitees	:	Ms Pooja Bhardwaj, MS Rekha Shetty and Mr Akash Purswani

Following members were present

Member Secretary

Dr Himanshu Dawda

Experts Nominated by the Governing body

1. Dr. Rajendra Singh Trustee , Entrepreneur
2. Mr Umesh Singh Industrialist
3. Dr Madhura Kalmakar

Vice Chancellor Nominee

1. Dr P R Vavia Dean Academics ICT Mumbai
2. Ms Savita Ladage (Scientist, HBCSE)

Senior teachers of the staff

1. Shri Ajit Limaye, Dept of Statistics
2. Vacant (Superannuation of Ms Geeta Mathur)
3. Smt Ratna Jadhav, Dept of Physics
4. Vacant (Chairman BOS Dr Seema Ratnaparkhi due to superannuation of HOD P T Singh)

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Head 's and In-charges of the various Departments (Chairman of respective BOS)

S.No.	Name	Department
1	Prin Dr Usha Mukundan	Botany
2	Dr Pratibha Sardesai	Zoology
3	Dr Seema Ratnaparkhi	Chemistry
4	Ms Rekha Ghorpode	Physics
5	Ms Jayashree Vaze	Statistics
6	Ms Mary Jossy	Mathematics
7	Ms Shubhangi Vartak	Economics
8	Dr Meher Mistry	History
9	Dr Shashi Mishra	Sociology
10	Mr Bhushan Arekar	Political Science
11	Dr Sneha Deuskar	Marathi
12	Dr Neeta Chakravarty	English
13	Dr Mithilesh Sharma	Hindi
14	Dr Suchita Golwalkar	Biotechnology
15	Ms Bharathi Bhole	Information Technology
16	Ms Vaidhei Deshpande	Computer Science
17	Ms Nandini Jagnaryan	Banking and Insurance
18	Ms Kalaiselvi Nadar	Bachelor of Management Studies
19	Dr Kamilini Bandekar	Geography
20	Dr Vilasini G Patkar	Commerce
21	Dr Saraswathi Moorthy	Accountancy
22	Ms Soni Khemani	B VOC

The following business was then transacted

Item 1. Confirmation of minutes of the meeting held on 6th March, 2019. Minutes of the meeting were read and confirmed.

Item 2. Report on the deliberations made on revision of syllabus by respective BOS.

Item 2.1 The revised syllabus for Undergraduate programs recommended by the Board of studies in Zoology for FY, SY and T Y B Sc was presented by Dr Pratibha Sardesai Chairman BOS Zoology

Dr P R Vavia suggested that the syllabus be mapped as per the learning outcomes and then uploaded on the website

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Resolution 2.1 It was resolved that the syllabus of Undergraduate programs of B Sc. Zoology (FY, SY and TYBSc.) as recommended by the BOS in Zoology be approved and passed unanimously. This be implemented from the academic year 2019-2020.

Item 2.2 The syllabus for the postgraduate programme of Master of science in Zoology recommended by the Board of studies was presented by the chairman BOS in Zoology

Resolution 2.2. It was resolved that recommendations made by the BOS in Zoology for M.Sc. program in Zoology was approved and passed unanimously. This be implemented from the academic year 2019-2020.

Item 2.3. The Board of studies in B Com in Accounting and Finance approved the syllabus for first year course in BAF and the same was presented by Ms Rekha Shetty ,

Resolution 2.3. It was resolved that the recommendations made by the BOS in BAF for revision of syllabus was approved and passed unanimously. This will be implemented from the academic year 2019-2020.

Item 2.4. The Board of studies in Commerce approved the syllabus for semester III and IV in the PG Program M Com in Business management to be implemented from the academic year 2020-2021.

Resolution 2.4. It was resolved that the recommendations made by the BOS in commerce for revision of syllabus for semester III and IV in the PG program M Com in Business management was approved and passed unanimously. This will be implemented from the academic year 2020-2021.

Item 2.5 The Board of studies in Physics approved the introduction of one more elective material science at M Sc. semester III and IV to be implemented from the academic year 2019-2020

Resolution 2.5 It was resolved that the recommendation made by the Board of studies in Physics for the introduction of one more elective material science at M Sc. semester III and IV approved and passed unanimously. This will be implemented from the academic year 2019-2020.

Item 2.6. The BOS in Physics in its meeting held on 15th July, 2019 approved and recommended the content for skill enhancement course namely "Understanding Physics using computer software" to be offered from the academic year 2019-2020.

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Resolution 2.6. It was resolved that the recommendations made by the BOS in Physics for skill enhancement course “ understanding Physics using computer software along with its contents was approved and passed unanimously to be offered from the academic year 2019-2020.

Item 2.7. The chairman BOS presented the contents of skill enhancement course approved by BOS of History namely certificate course in “Basic preparation for competitive examination”.

Resolution 2.7. It was resolved that the recommendations made by the BOS in History for skill enhancement course namely “Basic preparation for competitive examination” along with its proposed methodology of preparing students for the same was approved and passed unanimously to be offered from the academic year 2019-2020.

Item 2.8 The chairman BOS in Bachelors of Mass Media, presented the recommendations made in the syllabus for foundation Course for BMM students and informed the members that the BMM program title has undergone nomenclature change and has now been renamed as BA Multi Media and Mass Communication (BAMMC).

Resolution 2.8. It was resolved that the recommendations made by the BOS in BMM which is now renamed as BA Multi media and mass communication (BAMMC) unanimously approved the recommendations made in the syllabus of foundation course and passed it.

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Item 2.9. The BOS in BMS presented the recommendations made in the syllabus of foundation course which has been renamed as new trends in environmental management.

Resolution 2.9. It was resolved that the recommendations made in the syllabus of foundation course which has been renamed as new trends in environmental management was unanimously approved the recommendations made in the syllabus of new trends in environmental management.

Item 2.10. The BOS in Bachelor of Vocation approved that project will be completed in semester V and the approved syllabus for new course in Indirect taxation and Smart cities for semester VI was presented by the chairman of BOS.

Resolution 2.10. It was resolved that the recommendation made by BOS in BVOC to complete project in semester V and the syllabus approved by BOS for Indirect taxation and Smart cities was unanimously approved and passed.

Item 3: Report of results of UG and PG classes for the academic year 2018-2019.

Dr Himanshu Dawda presented the detailed report on the pattern of evaluation and the outcome of UG and PG examinations. He explained about the introduction of open house for students so that they can see their answer books. As a result, the grievances are negligible. Timely declaration of results has facilitated students in progression and enabled them to join their companies where they were offered jobs. The results of all UG and PG classes have been very good. Dr Himanshu Dawda informed the members of the examination audit which was conducted by an external peer team which scrutinized the question papers, model answers and the entire process of evaluation and expressed their satisfaction on the process adopted to complete each component of examination, conduct and fairness of the evaluation process in the college.

Item 4. Report on the new study programs inducted at UG level

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The members were first appraised of the successful introduction of new UG program B.Com Accounting and finance from the academic year 2019-2020 with an intake capacity of 60. The response has been very good.

Item 5. Report on the new study programs introduced at PG level approved by the Academic council in its meeting held on 6th March, 2019.

The members were appraised of introduction of PG program M Sc Analytical Chemistry with an intake capacity of 20 from the academic year 2019-2020 and M Com Business Management with an intake capacity of 60 from the academic year 2019-2020. The response has been encouraging.

Item 6: Starting of new programs from the academic year 2020-2021.

Item 6.1 The Board of studies in Botany in its meeting held on 4th July, 2019 recommended the starting of new program M Sc program in Environmental Science and Disaster Management from the academic year 2020-2021 in view of the employability of students with a intake capacity of 40 on a self finance basis along with eligibility criteria and fee structure and the same be forwarded to the academic council for its approval.

Resolution 6.1. The members of the Academic Council unanimously approved and passed the proposal to start of new M Sc. program in Environmental Science and Disaster Management with an intake capacity of 40 from the academic year 2020- 2021 on a self finance basis. The recommendations on eligibility criteria and fee structure was also approved.

Item 6.2 The Board studies in Information Technology in its meeting held on 11th July, 2019 recommended the starting of new program M Sc in Data Science and Artificial Intelligence on a self finance basis with an intake capacity of 40 and the same be forwarded to the Academic council for its approval. The syllabus for M Sc. in Data Analytics and Artificial Intelligence approved and recommended by the BOS in Information Technology and Computer Science along with the eligibility criteria and fee structure was forwarded to the Academic council.

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Resolution 6.2 The members of the Academic Council unanimously approved and passed the proposal to start the new Program M Sc in Data Science and Artificial Intelligence from the academic year 2020-2021, with an intake capacity of 40 on a self finance basis. The syllabus for the M Sc program in Data Science and Artificial Intelligence as recommended by BOS in Information technology and Artificial Intelligence was passed unanimously. The recommendation on eligibility criteria and fee structure was also approved.

Item 7. Amendment in the arrangement of terms for the academic year 2019-2020

Amendment in the arrangement of terms in the academic calendar for the academic year 2019-2020 was tabled.

First term	:	10 th June, 2019 to 24 th October, 2019 both days inclusive.
Second term	:	11 th November, 2019 to 2 nd May, 2020.
Mid term break	:	3 rd September 2019 to 7 th September, 2019.
Diwali Vacation	:	25 th October, 2019 to 9 th November, 2019.
Christmas break	:	26 th December, 2019 to 1 st January, 2020.

Resolution 7. The members of the Academic council unanimously passed the arrangement of terms for the academic year 2019-2020.

Item 8 : Any other matter with the permission of the chair

The members were informed about the constitution of a standing committee for nominating names of teachers to fill the vacancies in academic council

Members of standing committee

- Dr Rajendra Singh
- Prin. Dr Usha Mukundan
- Dr Himanshu Dawda
- Shri Ajit Limaye

New members to fill the vacancies in academic council

1. Ms Sunita Maratt in place of Ms Geeta Mathur (Superannuation)
2. Dr C M Mishra in place of Dr Seema Ratnaparkhi

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3. Dr Seema Ratnaparkhi (Chairman, BOS Chemistry) in place of Ms P T Singh (Superannuation)
4. Dr Vilasini Patkar member finance committee in place of Ms P T Singh (Superannuation)

The member secretary thanked all the members for their academic inputs and there being no other matter, the meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

Date: 7th August, 2019

Principal Dr Usha Mukundan

Chairman