

LNMI Institute of Information Technology, Jaipur

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Forty First Meeting of the

ACADEMIC COUNCIL

(03:00 PM)

Lecture Hall # 5

Date: July 18, 2014

(Friday)

Draft Minutes

Minutes of the 41st meeting of the Academic Council held on July 18, 2014.

The following were present:

1. Prof. S.S. Gokhale -In Chair
2. Prof. Ranjan Gangopadhyay - Member
3. Dr. Manju Dhariwal -Member
4. Prof. Anupam Singh - Member
5. Prof. R. Tomar -Member
6. Prof. Ravi Praksh Gorthi -Member
7. Dr. Ajit Patel -Member
8. Dr. Somnath Biswas -Member
9. Dr. K.K. Khatri -Member
10. Dr. Rajbala Singh - Member
11. Kshitiz Gupta - Member
12. Mr. Anchit Patni - Member
13. Mr. Sandeep Saini - Member
14. Dr. Rajbir Kaur - Member
15. Dr. Soumitra Debnath - Member
16. Dr. Subhayan Biswas -Member

The following members could not be present in the meeting and were granted leave of absence:

1. Prof. Sandeep Sancheti
2. Prof. V. Raghvendra

On invitation from the Chairperson, faculty members, whose names are listed at Annexure-A, attended the meeting.

At the outset the Chairperson welcomed Mr. Jasprit Singh Batra, Executive Assistant to the Director and Visiting Faculty HSS Department, who joined that day, and all present.

He explained the delay in circulating the agenda papers.

Thereafter, the agenda items were taken-up for discussion

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Agenda Item No. AC-M-41.01: Confirmation of the Minutes of 40st meeting held on April 05, 2014.

In reference to AC-M-40-10 the Chairperson clarified that 5th & 6th semester will constitute one cluster and 7th & 8th semester will constitute the 2nd cluster for opting HSS and Open electives. Subject to incorporation of the above change, the minutes of the 40st meeting, held on April 05 2014 were confirmed, as circulated.

Agenda Item No. AC-M-41.02: Announcements, if any, by the chairperson.

- (a) The Chairperson appreciated the difficulties faced by the NBA & NAAC committees on account of disruption, as a result of ongoing academic activities and the intervening Summer Vacation. He urged members of the committees to expedite the completion of their reports for an early accreditation, so that institute could approach AICTE & UGC for research funding. He prescribed the date line for completion of reports as August 31, 2014. He wanted that hard copies of the reports be furnished to him.
- (b) The Director briefed on the discussion held by him with IBM, Microsoft & HCL during his sojourn in Bangalore the previous month. He added that the outcomes of these discussions were heading to logical end. Further, all MNCs were looking for long term involvement with the institute by way of lecturers, academic creativity and full time internships. MICROSOFT Corporation has identified six institutions across the country, from which they would select 50-60 students for internships. A dry-run of the test, will be conducted by them on July 21, 2014. Similarly, the IBM will be conducting certain number of courses for our students and, in this respect, Prof. R.P. Gorthi is having detailed talks with IBM functionaries. Around fifty students are expected to join the course conducted by IBM on cost-share basis from next semester, commencing January 2015. It was expected that interested students would complete their course requirement by the end of 7th semester. However, the final picture would emerge after signing the MOU. He mentioned that Prof. Ashok Jhunjunwala and Mr. Vijay Bhatnagar, GC members, had also participated on the discussion with IBM.

The Chairperson brought to notice that similar demand for academic collaboration was also received from SAMSUNG and henceforth the placement companies will visit us for campus placement during the 7th semester itself. He mentioned that as a result of all the

above collaborative exercises, the employability of our graduating students will get further enhanced. Besides, these measures would bestow hidden opportunities and benefits in due course of time.

The institute is aiming to prepare engineers of tomorrow and accordingly its focus would be to address the challenges of tomorrow. Faculty development in specific areas, such as Big-data Analysis, Mobile Analytics, Cloud computing should be desirable. The Chairperson expected the student body to be alive and be ready to face these challenges.

The Director mentioned that Mr. Krishnan from HCL would be addressing the 1st year students on Monday, July 21, 2014.

In the beginning, good students, securing CGPA of 8.0 and above will be allowed to join these programs for their success.

(c) The Chairperson suggested that on adhoc basis one open elective for the 8th semester on contact mode be permitted, so as to facilitate 8th semester internship with industry. In this respect it would be desirable to allow one course overload each in sixth and seventh semester of the UG program. For Y11, Y12 & Y13 batch students relaxed criteria may be adopted for the genuine ones on case by case basis. The Chairperson ruled that from the ongoing semester B. Tech (Hons.) courses in all disciplines will stand scrapped and B.T.P. made compulsory for all disciplines Moreover, group B.T.P. in inter-disciplinary areas be permitted. However the ownership of such BTPs will be with the parent department.

(d) The Chairperson desired that selection process of students for undergoing training at Arcelor Mittal Steel Plant in Kazakhstan be advanced, during 6th -7th semester, so as to allow time to complete the necessary formalities at early date.

Agenda Item No. AC-M-41.03 : Report on the action taken on the decision of the 40th meeting held on April 05, 2014 and earlier meetings.

The council noted the report on action taken and expressed satisfaction.

Agenda Item No. AC-M-41.04 : To ratify approvals accorded by the Chairperson, Academic Council.

The Council ratified the approvals accorded by the Chairperson and further recommended the same to the Governing Council for award of degrees to

(a) 290 - B. Tech/B. Tech (Hons.) students

- (b) 08 - M. Tech students
- (c) 03 - M. S. (By Research) students
- (d) 01 - Dual Degree student

It was further informed that Summer Term-2014 results were yet to be declared.

Arising out of discussion, it was informed that National Instruments lab and HPC had delivered the equipments/system ordered. 26th July has been fixed as training session date for HP.

All these acquisitions would total-up to around one crore rupees.

Agenda Item No. AC-M-41.05 : To consider the Minutes of the meeting of the AC UGC held on July 15, 2014.

- 1.1 The Academic Council considered the issues in depth and for the sake of academics decided that a student who has fulfilled the credit requirements of B. Tech/B. Tech (Hons.) program, but has obtained an 'F' grade in elective category be allowed to graduate if he fulfilling the minimum credit requirement necessary in that particular elective. It was also decided that, henceforth, theory and lab courses would stand de-coupled and accordingly, a five credit combined theory and lab course would be 3 credit theory and 2 credit lab weightage. It was decided that seeking improvement in lab course would not be permitted. The Chairperson mentioned that with nearly 400 UG admissions this year, Physics, CSE and ECE lab restructuring would be called for and they be expanded in the best possible way. He ruled that Physics theory course will be taken up in 1st semester and Lab Course in the 2nd semester of 2014-15 academic year. The Chairperson ruled that with immediate effect 1st and 3rd Saturdays of a month would be observed as a working days.
- 1.2 Having discussed the Guidelines for punishment to be awarded in cheating cases in brief, the Academic Council decided to take a call on this at a later date.
- 1.3 The Academic Council agreed to the proposal to offer elective courses in Mathematics, Physics and HSS Departments in consultation with the Heads of CSE, ECE, CCE and MME Departments.
- 1.4 The Council accepted the proposal to upload the prescribed leave application format, as accepted, on the institute website.
- 1.5 The Academic Council approved the proposal to introduce one elective course each in 6th & 7th semester in CSE and ECE curriculum, for Y-13 batch onwards.
- 1.6 The Council noted the progress made so far in recommending Chairman's Gold Medal for 2014 graduating batch.

- 1.7 The Council noted that Y-14 batch End-Term examination would commence from November 24, 2014.
- 1.8 The Academic Council accepted the recommendation to allow some time to come out with options.
- 1.9 The Council observed that item was already discussed under Agenda Items No AC-M-41.05 (1.1)
- 2.0 The Council observed that item was already discussed under Agenda Items No AC-M-41.05 (1.1)
- 2.1 The Academic Council accepted the proposal to make a minimum 75% attendance in class compulsory and to downgrade the grade as proposed. The Council desired that attendance shortfall in individual cases be announced through institute website.
- 2.2 The Chairperson ruled that wearing of RFID Card by all the faculty and Staff members would be made compulsory w.e.f. August 01, 2014. Also, students should definitely wear the RFID Cards inside the campus.
- 2.3 The Academic Council noted that change of the slot in time table for two Science electives for those 4th year students, who were asked to drop a Science elective because of compulsions imposed in the past, was being taken care of.

Agenda Item No. AC-M-41.06 : To consider the Minutes of the meeting of the AC PGC held on July 16, 2014.

- (a) The Academic Council accepted the proposal that the course on Technical Writing and Research Methodologies (TWRM) to be made a compulsory 4.0 credit course for all new PG students. Further, B. Tech students be allowed to opt for M. Tech courses in 7th and 8th semester, as elective subjects.
- (b) The Academic Council permitted PG students (including the existing ones), scoring a grade 'C' or lower in a course to either repeat the course or substitute the course (in case of electives only). Also, only one course overload be permitted in a semester for PG students.
- (c) The Academic Council ruled that no more than one Reading Course be allowed to an M. Tech students. In this regard, the Chairperson cited the case of Georgia Tech University for 7- level courses and same set of papers, preferably in the 3rd semester. It was desired that a minimum of two faculty members should be involved in finding such papers. He wanted that process be explored for new Ph. D students joining now.

(d) The Academic Council desired to make the course--"An Introduction to Technology, Society and Environment" a Reading Course.

(e) The Academic Council decided that the TWRM course be offered during odd semester to Ph. D students.

Agenda Item No. AC-M-41.07: To consider the Minutes of the meeting of the AC-HMC held on July 16, 2014.

Dr. Subhayan Biswas, Chief Warden informed the council that in an inspection conducted by him, he had observed many types of equipment, the maintenance responsibility of which lied with outsourced agencies, were not working and lamented that no supervision being done and no records kept for maintenance work carried out either. He suggested that institute maintenance staff should inspect the repair work and record their signatures, as proof of work done properly. He brought to notice the willfull damage to fire-extinguishers, kept in the hostels, by some students and informed that in future students found indulging in such activities would be debarred from stay in hostels. He solicited help of senior faculty members in guiding the fresher's on the reporting day. The Chairperson assured the Chief Warden to provide all necessary help.

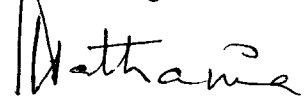
Agenda Item No. AC-M-41.08: To consider the revised version of UG Manual, as proposed by the Chairperson AC UGC.

The Academic Council ruled that one more revision of the proposed UG Manual be made and then only a final decision be taken on the matter.

Agenda Item No. AC-M-41.09: To consider the critical issues related to proper conduct of examinations as proposed by the Dean, Academic.

The item was deferred to the next meeting.

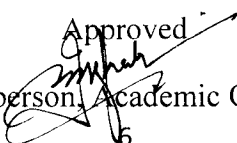
There being no other item on the agenda, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.



Col. MJS Pathania

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(Chairperson, Academic Council)

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List of Invitees-41st Academic Council Meeting-July 18, 2014.

1. Mrs. Beena Gokhale
2. Mr. Mukesh Kr. Jadon
3. Dr. Neeraj Shrivastava
4. Mr. Jaspreet Singh Batra
5. Dr. Smrity Diwedi
6. Dr. Bharavi Mishra
7. Dr. Poonam Gera
8. Dr. Sanjeev Sharma
9. Dr. Navneet Upadhyay
10. Dr. Surinder Singh Nehra
11. Dr. Akhlaq Hussain
12. Dr. Kusum Lata
13. Mr. Shanker Ganesh, R
14. Dr. Subrat K Dash
15. Mr. Vikas Bajpai
16. Mr. Prabin Kr. Jha
17. Dr. Vikas Gupta
18. Dr. Manish Garg
19. Dr. Amit Neogi
20. Dr. Rasmita Kar
21. Dr. Sanil Unnikrishnan

22. Dr. Manish Singh
23. Mr. Sunil Kumar
24. Dr. Anjishnu Sarkar
25. Dr. Pomita Ghoshal
26. Dr. Md. Tanveer
27. Dr. Usha Kanoongo
28. Dr. Kapil Jainwal
29. Dr. Divyang Rawal
30. Dr. Abhishek Sharma
31. Dr. Vibhor Kant
32. Mr. A.P. Singh
33. Dr. Narendra Kumar