SIR PADAMPAT SINGHANIA UNIVERSITY
Udaipur

Minutes of the 23rd meeting of the Board of Management

Sunday, November 17, 2019 – 11.00 hrs

The Following members were present:

1. Mr. B K Goswami, in the Chair
2. Mr. Ashok Ghosh
3. Ms. Rinu Ghosh
4. Prof. Deepak Khazanchi
5. Mr. Mahender Khari
6. Prof. P.C.Deka
7. Prof. Sushil J. Lalwani
8. Prof. Arun Kumar
9. Prof. Udayprakash R Singh, Member Secretary

Special Invitees:

1. Prof. Ulf Hanning
2. Ms. Vrinda Sarup
3. Mr. Martin Bowen
4. Ms. Ilona Rezso
5. Mr. Mangal Dev

Leave of absence has been granted to the following members:

1. Mr. Raghavpat Singhania
2. Mr. Abhishek Singhania
3. Mr. Ajay Saraogi
4. Commissioner College Education

The meeting commenced with a welcome address by the Chairperson. The Chairman requested the President to take the agenda items for discussion who then took the agenda items in seriatim.

1. **Confirmation of the Minutes of the Twenty-second Meeting of the Board of Management**

   The minutes of the Twenty-second meeting of the Board of Management held on Saturday, March 30, 2019 were circulated to all the members. No comments had been received, hence the minutes of the meeting were confirmed **(Annexure 1).**

2. **Recommendations of the Academic Council**

   The Academic Council in its meeting held on Friday, November 8, 2019 has recommended the following changes in the course structure and syllabi of various academic programmes:

   A. **Proposal for the new Course Code**

   To adopt 4 digit course codes for all the degree programme offered by the University from the Academic Sessions 2019-20 onwards.

   The proposal was considered, discussed and approved by the Board of Management.

   B. **Proposal for Introduction of Revised Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) Syllabus**

   To introduce revised choice based credit system (CBCS) syllabus in B.Tech degree programme of School of Engineering from the Academic Session 2019-20.

   The proposed CBCS syllabus is presented in **Annexure -2**.

   The proposal was considered, discussed and approved by the Board of Management.

   C. **Proposal for Introduction of B.Tech Degree Programme with Additional Specializations**

   To introduce the following specialization by the departments of CSE, ECE & ME under the School of Engineering.

- B.Tech programme in Computer Science & Engineering with specialization in Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning.
- B.Tech programme in Electronics & Communication Engineering with specialization in Internet of Things.
- B.Tech programme in Mechanical Engineering with specialization in Automation and Robotics.

The course structures of the programmes are presented in **Annexure - 3**.

The proposal was considered, discussed and approved by the Board of Management.

D. Proposal from the Department of Computer Science & Engg.

I.   To adopt revised CBCS system syllabus with 4 digit course code from 4th - semester onwards, for the batch admitted in the Academic Session 2018-19.

II.   **To Introduce following Departmental Electives**
   a) Linux and shell programming (CS-263)
   b) System Administration with Linux (CS-370).
   c) Artificial Intelligence (CS-353)
   d) Advanced Database Management System (CS-454).

The course structure and syllabus is presented in **Annexure – 4**.

The proposals were considered, discussed and approved by the Board of Management.

E. Proposal to Introduce Additional Courses in Ph.D Degree Programme in the Department of Computer Science & Engineering

To introduce following additional courses in Ph.D degree programme in the Department of Computer Science & Engineering.

   a) Wireless Sensor Networks (CS-6013)
   b) Cloud Computing (CS-6014)

c) Cryptography and Information Security (CS-6015)

d) Research Methodology in Science & Engineering (CS-6016)

The course structure and syllabus is presented in **Annexure – 5**.

The proposal were considered, discussed and approved by the Board of Management.

F. Revised Credit for Course Code ME488

To revised the credit of the course code ME488 Finite Element Analysis from 0-0-3 to 0-0-2.

The proposal was considered, discussed and approved by the Board of Management.

G. Proposal to Revise the Syllabus of MBA Degree Programme

To revise the syllabus of MBA degree programme for the Academic year 2019-21. The proposed syllabus is presented in **Annexure - 6**.

The proposal was considered, discussed and approved by the Board of Management.

H. Proposal to Revise the Syllabus of BBA Degree Programme

To revise the syllabus of BBA degree programme for the Academic year 2019-22. The proposed syllabus is presented in **Annexure - 7.**

The proposal was considered, discussed and approved by the Board of Management.

I. Proposal to Offer B.Com Instead of B.Com (H) Degree Programme

To offer B.Com instead of B.Com (H) degree programme from the Academic Session 2019-20 onwards. The proposed syllabus of B.Com degree programme is presented in **Annexure - 8**. The fee structure and students intake shall remain the same.

The proposal was considered, discussed and approved by the Board of Management.

J. Proposal for Additional Groups of Subject in Ph.D Degree Programme

To introduce the following additional groups of subject in PhD degree programme under the School of Management.

GROUP I: PROJECT MANAGEMENT

1. Quality Engineering & Management (MN-6006)
2. Project Management (MN-6008)

GROUP II: BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT & ECONOMICS

1. Business Environment & Economics (BM-6020)
2. Macro Economics for an Economy (BM-6021)

The proposed syllabus is presented in **Annexure - 9**.

The proposals were considered, discussed and approved by the Board of Management.

3. Proposed Amendments in the Information Technology Services Policy (ITS)

The proposal to amendment in the Clause No 3.16, 5.3.1, 5.3.2 and 9.1.1 of Information Technology Services (ITS) policy is presented in **Annexure - 10**.

The proposal was considered, discussed and approved by the Board of Management.

4. Students Exchange Programme

A report on the students Exchange Programme is presented in **Annexure 11**. The Board placed on record its appreciation for the efforts made by the University Management.

5. New Appointments

Appointments of the faculty members between March 2019 and November 2019 were ratified by the Board of Management **(Annexure 12)**.

6. Report on Corporate Interface and Placement Cell

The Board expressed its satisfaction on the placement of students after their graduation in various companies **(Annexure - 13)**.

7. Examination Result of the Academic Session 2018-19

The Board ratified the examination results of II, IV, VI & VIII semesters of the Academic Session 2018-19 for various academic programmes as presented in **Annexure - 14.**

8. Award of Sushila Singhania Scholarship

The Board approved the list of the meritorious students for the award of Sushila Singhania Scholarships/ Tuition Fee Waiver of I, II, III & IV years for the Academic Session 2018-19 as presented in **Annexure - 15**.

9. Award of Degrees

The Board considered and approved the names of candidates who have successfully completed their Under-graduate, Post-graduate and Doctoral degree programmes in various Academic Programmes in the Academic Session 2018-19. The degrees will be awarded in the next convocation of the University (**Annexure - 16**).

10. Award of Medals

The Board considered and approved the names of candidates who had successfully completed their Under-graduate and Post-graduate degree programmes and had qualified for the award of the Chairperson's Gold Medal and President's Gold Medals in the Academic Session 2018-19. The medals will be awarded in the next convocation of the University (**Annexure - 17).**

11. **Financial Matters: Audited Balance Sheet**

The Audited Balance Sheet of the University for the Financial Year 2018-19 was discussed and ratified by the Board of Management (**Annexure - 18**).
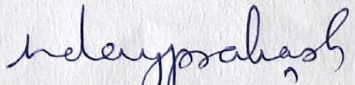
12. **Annual Report – 2018-19**

Annual Report of the University for the Academic Session 2018-19 was considered and approved by the Board of Management (**Annexure - 19**).
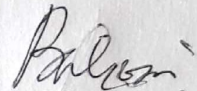
13. **Any other item with the permission of the Chair.**

(a) Mr. Ashok Ghosh informed that Prof. Paval Machal has expressed his inability to continue as a member of the Board of Management due to his superannuation from his University. While accepting his resignation, the Board of Management resolved to appreciate the contributions made by Prof. Paval as a member of BoM, SPSU.

(b) Looking at the demand in the area of Food Technology, the Chairperson has suggested to explore the possibility of opening the courses on Food Technology.

(c) Mr. Martin Bowen has suggested to explore the possibility of opening the School of Hospitality in collaboration with the International Institutions.

(d) Ms. Vrinda Sarup has suggested to explore the possibility of introducing three year Diploma programme. Since to open Diploma programme it will be required to obtain approval from appropriate regulatory bodies, it was decided to initiate the process for obtaining all such approvals.

(e) Prof. Deepak Khazanchi congratulated all the faculty members for adopting CBCS and specialized courses in the curriculum. He has suggested:

1) to introduce BBA and MBA degree programmes with Specialization in Data Science.

2) to introduce a programme of offering the First Year free Tuition Fee for 05 girl students at SPSU. The Board accepted the proposal. Subsequently, 05 (five) members of the Board have agreed to sponsor one girl student each.

3) that to accommodate the in-service candidates from industries to pursue their PhD degree, the University may explore the possibility of developing a Research Extension PhD degree programme in collaboration with US Universities.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.

Udayprakash R Singh
Registrar, Member Secretary

B K Goswami
Chairperson, SPSU & Chairman