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DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY
BOARD OF STUDIES MEETING
HELD ON 20-01-2017

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Minutes of the meeting of the B.O.S in Zoology
held in the Dept of Zoology on ~~20~~ 20.1.2017
at 3.30 pm.

Members Present.

1. Dr. S. Naha Naha
2. Dr. Mary Teresa P Miranda Miranda
3. Dr. Aishla Thomas Thomas
4. Nisha Thomas P. Nisha
5. Dr. Sarin. P. J. Sarin
6. Dr. Shirley Williams Williams

The meeting commenced at 3.25 pm with a silent prayer. Six members were present. The chair person and Head, Dr. Mary Teresa P. Miranda welcomed the members. She apprised the members of the various items of business in the agenda.

The first item on the agenda was a comparative evaluation of the prevailing autonomous UG and PG syllabus, and the extent to which it varied from the affiliated syllabi followed by the University. The PG Syllabus was taken up first, certain anomalies detected in Practical I (15PZ0214) and Practical II (15PZ0224) of PG I were rectified. Practicals on the determination of the isoelectric pH of the given amino acid by titration method was added to Practical I while a few exercises (vide Annexure 1) were added to Practical II.

The objectives and outcome of all the PGP courses were also prepared and ratified by the Board.

No errors were detected in the

PG II (Sem 3 and Sem 4) Syllabi. The objectives and outcome of each course was written and ratified. It was also found that there was no variation between the autonomous and the affiliated P.G. theory syllabus while a 10% variation was seen in the practical course module. It was resolved to revise the theory syllabus in the next academic year incorporating more industrial pre-requisite Modules enhancing the employability skills of the students would be given impetus. The instructional hours of each course was also verified and found to be correct.

Next the UG (Core) Syllabus was taken up for scrutiny. The current first year BSc Zoology (Sem 5 and 6) theory syllabus was exactly the same as that of University. However from the next academic year the autonomous syllabus would be followed and this varied in content (approximately 10%) from the affiliated stream. A module of 8 hours on Conservation Biology had been introduced raising the total no. of hours for that course to 74. The pattern of conducting BSc for practicals II (15U20544) at the end of sem 5 was also ratified and appreciated by the external members. The number of instructional hours for UG practical (core) was allotted as follows

Practical II (15U20544) - 2 hrs/week
 Practical III (15U20645) - 2 hrs/week
 Practical IV (15U20646) - 4 hrs/week

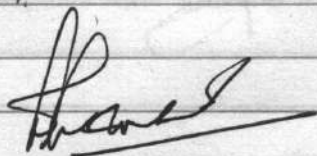
The learning outcome for all the core courses of UG was prepared and ratified.

The UG complementary syllabus (For BSc Botany and Psychology) revealed minor variations (less than 10%) from the affiliated stream. The outcome for each course was prepared since their objectives were already given.

The chairperson conveyed to the internal B.O.S. members the request of the management to limit the number of teachers handling each course to a maximum of 2 or 3. This would ensure more accountability in teaching, learning and evaluation processes.

This new pattern could be adopted from 2017-18 onwards, and preparations inherent in this reallocation of portions could be carried out in April / May 2017.

Dr. Athila Thomas proposed the vote of thanks and the meeting came to a close at 4.50 pm.


for

Dr. MARY TRESA P. MIRANDA

Chairman

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