

## MINUTES OF THE 18<sup>TH</sup> SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

The 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of the School Board of School of Social Sciences was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 1997 at 10:30 a.m. in the Conference Room, Block 8, IGNOU campus, New Delhi.

The following members were present :

1. Prof. Kapil Kumar, Chairman
2. Prof. Shobita Jain, SOSS
3. Prof. V R Jagannathan, SOH
4. Prof. S Settar,
5. Prof. Krishan Kumar
6. Prof. R K Arora
7. Dr. A R Khan, SOSS
8. Dr. E Vayunandan, SOSS
9. Dr. Ravindra Kumar, SOSS
10. Dr. Debal Singha Roy, SOSS
11. Dr. Rita Rani Paliwal, SOH
12. Dr K Barik, SOSS
13. Ms Neena Talwar Kanugno, SOSS
14. Dr. Pravakar Rath, SOSS
15. Dr Geeta Kaicker, SOS
16. Ms Anu Jacob, SOCE

### Special Invitee

1. Prof. R Satyanarayana, SOSS
2. Dr. Narayan Prasad, SOSS
3. Dr. Shailendra Kumar, SOSS
4. Ms B Kiranmayi, SOSS
5. Dr. Gopinath Pradhan, SOSS

The following could not attend the meeting :

1. Prof. Pandav Nayak, SOSS
2. Prof. Pradeep Sahni, SOSS
3. Prof. S D Muni
4. Prof. Yogendra Singh
5. Dr. T Kapur, SOSS
6. Dr. Nawal Kishore, SOMS
7. Ms Uma Medhury, SOSS

At the outset, Director SOSS welcomed the new members and gave a brief account of the activities of the School.

#### Item 18.1.1

The minutes of the last School Board meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 1997 were confirmed.

#### Item 18.2

The School Board approved in principle the proposal of a Certificate Programme in Labour and Development received from the Economics discipline. It also decided that the structure of the programme should be worked keeping in view the structure of Certificate courses being launched by ICFOI within a timeframe.

#### Item 18.3.1

With respect to the evaluation methodology of BLISc and MLISc programmes, it was explained by the Director that there has been a discrepancy in what was approved in the Academic Council and what was being printed in the Programme Guides upto 1997. A large number of students have made representations to the university for declaration of their results on the basis of the information provided in the programme guides. After discussion, the School Board resolved that the results of the students up to 1997 batch should be declared as per the provisions mentioned in the respective programme guides of these two courses i.e.

- A. BLISc Programme Guide, Page No.10 "To fulfil the requirements of BLISc Degree Programme, a candidate has to score an average grade of 'C' in both continuous evaluation as well as at the final Terminal Examination. A candidate who obtains a 'D' grade in any one of the courses at both these evaluations, will be declared successful provided his average grade in all the courses works out to 'C'" (1989-1997)
- B. MLISc Programme Guide, Page No.9 "To fulfil the requirements of MLISc Programme, a candidate has to score an average grade of 'C' in both continuous evaluation as well as at the final Term-end Examination. A candidate who obtains a 'D' grade in any one of his/course in both these evaluations, will be declared successful provided his/her average grade in aggregate of all the courses works out to 'C'" (1994).

However, the same will not be applicable for the students registered from 1998 or for those students who belong up to 1997 batches and re-register again after the completion of their initial term.

#### Item 18.3.2

The School Board approved the revised curriculum for BLISc programme.

#### Item 18.3.3

The School Board approved the proposal for launching BLISc programme in Hindi medium. However, it was suggested that the faculty should come up with a timeframe for this.

#### Item 18.3.4

The School Board, keeping in view the latest changes made by the Academic Council for the Mphil and Ph.d programmes, suggested to the faculty of Library and Information Sciences for reconsideration of the proposal related to Mphil and Ph.d programmes.

#### Item 18.3.5

The School Board approved the launching of MLISc programme in Hindi medium. However, it was suggested to the faculty to work out the modalities and a timeframe for the same.

#### Item 18.4.1

The School Board approved in principle the proposal of a Diploma Programme in Indian Society and Culture at Home and Abroad suggested by the faculty of Sociology.

#### Item 18.4.2

The School Board noted the report submitted by the Sociology faculty in relation to the progress made on the following courses :

- i. Certificate in Community Resources and Social Development.
- ii. Certificate in Indigenous People and Knowledge Systems.
- iii. Certificate in Patents and Rural Communities.

#### Item 18.5.1

The School Board approved the proposal for developing a Diploma in Environmental Studies submitted by the Discipline of History. The faculty should work out a timeframe for the same.

#### Item 18.5.2

The School Board approved in principle the proposal to develop a Diploma in Surface Tourist Transport Operations submitted by the Discipline of History.

**Item 18.5.3**

The School Board approved the proposal for the launch of Masters in Tourism Studies/Management submitted by the faculty of History.

**Item 18.5.4**

The School Board approved the syllabus and list of course writers of EHI-07.

**Item 18.6.1**

The School Board approved the proposal for permitting MLISc students to write their assignments and examination in Hindi medium.

**Item 18.7.1**

The School Board discussed at length the proposal from the Discipline of Political Science seeking approval of revision and re-writing of FHS-1 which had been done for international students. The School Board resolved that the proposal be first discussed in the School Council and then brought to the School Board again.

**Item 18.8.1**

Prof. S D Muni was earlier co-opted as a member of the School Board under Clause 2-E of Statute 10-A. He has left for abroad and hence the School Board resolved to co-opt Prof. S N Jha for the same.

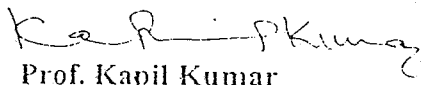
**Item 18.8.2**

The School Board approved the eligibility criteria for admission to BLISc programme as approved by the Distance Education Council which is as follows :

- Second Class graduate with 50% marks, Or
- Graduate with Diploma in Library Science, Or
- Graduate with 2 years of working experience in Library & Inf. Sciences, Or
- Bachelor Degree in a Professional Area (Engineering, Pharmacy, Law, etc.)

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

Dated: 15 January, 1998

  
Prof. Kapil Kumar  
Director