
MINUTES OF THE 35TH MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SCHOOL OF COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SCIENCES IGNOU, HELD ON APRIL 20, 2012

The 35th meeting of the School Board of School of Computer and Information Sciences was held at 11:00 a.m. on April 20, 2012 (Friday), in Conference Room, SOH, Block 'F', New Academic Complex, Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), Maidan Garhi, New Delhi-110068.

The following members of the School Board were present:

1. Sh. Shashi Bhushan, Director, SOCIS, IGNOU	Chairman
2. Prof. M.N. Doja, Head, Deptt. of Computer Science and Engineering, Jamia Millia Islamia University	External Member
3. Prof. Sonajharia Minz, School of Computer & System Sciences, JNU	External Member
4. Prof. S.K. Basu, BHU, Varanasi	External Member
5. Dr. Deo Prakash Vidyarthi, Associate Professor, JNU	External Member
6. Prof. S.B. Arora, SOHS, IGNOU	Member
7. Prof. Dr. Gurchain Singh, SOCE, IGNOU	Member
8. Prof. Kamal Yadav, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
9. Dr. M.K. Bhardwaj, SOET, IGNOU	Member
10. Sh Akshay Kumar, SOCIS, IGNOU	Member
11. Dr. P.V. Suresh, SOCIS, IGNOU	Member
12. Dr. Naveen Kumar, SOCIS, IGNOU	Member
13. Sh. V.V. Subrahmanyam, SOCIS, IGNOU	Special Invitee
14. Sh M P Mishra, SOCIS, IGNOU	Special Invitee

Prof. S. Arun Kumar, IIT Delhi could not attend the meeting.

At the outset, the Director welcomed all the members specially the new external members and thanked all of them for sparing their valuable time for making it convenient to attend the meeting. He informed the members that the research would be the focus area of the school in the future. In this context, he told that there would be one full day workshop to be organised by the school on "Doing Research in Computer Science" for all our Ph.D enrolled students. He informed that there is also a proposal for setting up a research lab. He also informed about the roles and responsibilities of School Board.

Item No. 35.1 Confirmation of the minutes of the 34th meeting of School Board of SOCIS held on January 25, 2012.

Item No. 35.1 The Director informed the board that some comments were received from the school faculty for items No. 34.16, 34.20 and 34.21 stating that these items were neither part of agenda nor discussed in the 34th School Board meeting. Therefore, these items may be withdrawn. The School Board members agreed with the suggestion. However, they said that atleast one member of School Board should give in writing that the mentioned items were not discussed in the earlier School Board meeting. The minutes of the 34th meeting were approved by the School Board. They also suggested that withdrawn items may be discussed in the appropriate forum.

Item no. 35.2 To consider and approve the names for Doctoral Committee.

Director informed the members that there are already 26 students enrolled in the Ph.D programme with the school in many different areas. Therefore, the proposed list of

names of experts of Doctoral Committee is having expert names from several different areas of expertise.

The School Board members approved the list of names for the Doctoral Committee with the suggestion that the specialization of the experts may be verified. It was also suggested that the specialisation of experts should be indicated in at most one or two areas. The list of experts is enclosed as **Annexure-1**.

Item No. 35.3 Lateral entry scheme Into 3rd semester of MCA programme after completion of a graduate degree in computer science/information echnology/computer engineering.

Item No. 35.3 The Proposal of lateral entry scheme into 3rd semester of MCA programme after completion of a graduate degree in computer science/ information technology/computer engineering was discussed by the members. The concept about this scheme was accepted. Regarding implementation of scheme following suggestions came during the discussion:

1. The school may perform the basic need assessment of lateral entry in the MCA programme.
2. Proposal of offering lateral entry in 3rd semester of MCA or offering a two year new master programme (e.g. M.Sc in computer science) may be explored by the school from the viewpoint of industry acceptance.
3. University/Institution based credit transfer/exception scheme may be designed to implement lateral entry in 3rd semester of MCA.

The suggestion of the Director to discuss the matter once again in the School in order to give concrete suggestion, was accepted.

Item no.35.4 Credit transfer policy for MCA (revised) to MCA (revised) Programme

Item No. 35.4 The Item was discussed and it was decided that if a student who had successfully completed the course(s) or assignment(s) in MCA (revised) under his/her previous enrollment number may get credit transfer in the course(s) or assignment(s) with same course code(s). Also, students who took admission to 3rd semester of MCA programme after BCA/BIT of IGNOU, need not pursue the first year courses or assignments of first year courses of MCA programme when they apply for credit transfer after completion of Re-admission period.

Item no. 35.5 To Consider and approve minutes of course(s) design committee of programme

Item No. 35.5 Minutes of the Course Design Committee Meeting for the Certificate in ICT Enabled Professional Skills for Police and Security Personnel are reported and approved.

Item no. 35.6 To consider and approve the names of project evaluators for the Sacred Heart College under Convergence Scheme.

Item No. 35.6 The School Board members suggested that a committee comprising school faculty and one school board member should be formed to examine the issue in detail and take the decision accordingly.

Item No. 35.7 To consider and approve the minutes of Expert Committee meeting for revision of CIT.

Item No.35.7 The School Board approved the minutes of the meeting of Expert Committee for revision of CIT held on August 30th, 2011.

Item No. 35.8 To Consider the names of content editors and course writers for the courses of BCA Revised Programme.

Item No. 35.8 The list of the names of editors and course writers course wise for BCA (Revised) Programme was considered and approved by School Board.

Item No. 35.9 To Consider and approve the names of TEE answer script evaluators for CIT/BCA/MCA programmes.

Item No. 35.9 The list of the names of TEE answer script evaluators for CIT/BCA/MCA programmes was considered and approved by School Board.

Item No. 35.10 To Consider and approve the names of TEE question paper setters for MCA/BCA/CIT programme.

Item No. 35.10 The list of the names of TEE question paper setters for MCA/BCA/CIT programme was considered and approved the School Board.

Item No. 35.11 To Consider and approve the names of project evaluators for BCA/MCA projects of SOCIS

Item No. 35.11 The list of the names of project evaluators for BCA/MCA projects of SOCIS was considered and approved by the School Board.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the chair.

(Shashi Bhushan)
Director I/C