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Minutes of the 57th Meeting of School Board of School of Computer & Information Sciences (SOCIS)

The 57th Meeting of School Board of SOCIS was held on 3rd May, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. in the conference room, SOMS.

The following members were present in the meeting:

1. Prof. P. V. Suresh, Director, SOCIS, IGNOU	- Chairperson
2. Prof. Zahid Raza, School of Computer and System Sciences, JNU Member	- External
3. Sh. Kapil Pandey, SAP Solution Architect, HCL Technologies Ltd. Member	- External
4. Dr. H. Ravi Sankar, Principal Scientist & OIC, ICAR-CTRI Member	- External
5. Prof. A. K. Mohapatra, Professor & Head, Dept. of IT, IGDTUW Member	- External
6. Prof. Amit Prakash Singh, USICT, GGSIPU Member	- External
7. Prof. Narayan Prasad, Professor, SOSS, IGNOU	- Member
8. Dr. Vibhuti Gaur, Associate Professor, SOH, IGNOU	- Member
9. Dr. Ramesh Yadav, Associate Professor SOJNMS, IGNOU	- Member
10. Dr. Namrata Singh, Assistant Professor, SOS, IGNOU	- Member
11. Prof. V.V. Subrahmanyam, Professor, SOCIS, IGNOU	- Member
12. Prof. Sandeep Singh Rawat, Professor, SOCIS, IGNOU	- Member
13. Prof. Divakar Yadav, Professor, SOCIS, IGNOU	- Member
14. Dr. Akshay Kumar, Associate Professor, SOCIS, IGNOU	- Member
15. Dr. M.P. Mishra, Associate Professor, SOCIS, IGNOU	- Member
16. Dr. Sudhansh Sharma, Assistant Professor, SOCIS, IGNOU	- Member

At the outset, the Chairperson expressed his gratitude to all outgoing members, namely, Prof. Vishal Bhatnagar, Prof. D.S. Kushwaha, Sh. Venugopal, Prof. Alok Singh and Prof. D. K. Tayal. Then, Chairperson welcomed Prof. Zahid Raza, Sh. Kapil Pandey, Dr. H. Ravi Sankar, Prof. A. K. Mohapatra and Prof. Amit Prakash Singh who were attending the meeting of School Board of SOCIS for the first time after their nomination as per last notification. He also thanked all the other School Board members for sparing their valuable time for making it convenient to attend the meeting. Chairperson briefed about various developments that took place since last meeting of School Board.

Item No. 57.1 To confirm the Minutes of the 56th Meeting of School 27th July, 2023.

Discussion The Minutes of the 56th Meeting of School Board of SOCIS held on 27th July, 2023 were circulated among members/participants for their comments/suggestions. No comments/suggestions were received after the last circulation. The Minutes were placed before the Board for confirmation.

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Decision The School Board confirmed the Minutes (Annexure - 57.1.1) of the 56th Meeting of School Board of SOCIS held on 27th July, 2023.

Item No. 57.2 To confirm the Minutes of Meetings of School Board (By Circulation) of School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on 1st March, 2024 and 15th April, 2024 respectively.

Discussion: The Minutes of the Meetings of School Board (By Circulation) of SOCIS held on 1st March, 2024 and 15th April, 2024 respectively were circulated among members for their comments/suggestions. No comments/suggestions were received. The Minutes were placed before the Board for confirmation.

Decision: The School Board confirmed the Minutes of the Meetings of School Board (By Circulation) held on 1st March, 2024 (Annexure-57.2.1) and 15th April, 2024 (Annexure-57.2.2) of SOCIS respectively.

Item No. 57.3 Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 56th Meeting of School Board and on the Minutes of the Meetings of School Board (by Circulation) held on 1st March, 2024 and 15th April, 2024 respectively of SOCIS.

Action Taken Report as given below was submitted for consideration of School Board.

Item No.	Details	Action Taken
Action Taken Report on the Minutes of 56th Meeting of School Board of SOCIS.		
Item No. 56.1	To confirm the Minutes of the 55 th Meeting of School Board of School of Computer & Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on Nov 15 th , 2022.	Minutes confirmed. Necessary actions initiated.
Item No. 56.2	Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 55 th Meeting of School Board of SOCIS.	School Board noted the Action Taken Report.
Item No. 56.3	To consider and approve Programme Proposal Form (PPF) for Master of Science (MSc) in Data Science and Analytics	PPF approved by APC.
Item No. 56.4	To consider and approve the Minutes of the 42 nd Meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of the School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on April 24, 2023.	Approved by the School Board and necessary actions initiated.
Item No. 56.5	To consider and approve the Minutes of the 43 rd Meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of the School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on April 26, 2023.	Approved by the School Board and necessary actions initiated.
Item No. 56.6	To consider and approve the Minutes of the 44 th Meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of the School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on	Approved by the School Board and necessary actions initiated.

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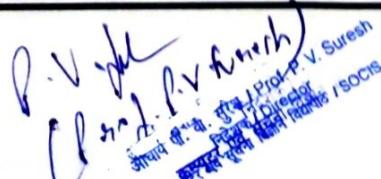
	April 28, 2023.	
Item No. 56.7	To consider and approve the Minutes of the 45 th Meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of the School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on May 26, 2023.	Approved by the School Board and necessary actions initiated.
Item No. 56.8	To consider and approve the Minutes of the 46 th Meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of the School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on June 19, 2023.	Approved by the School Board and necessary actions initiated.
Item No. 56.9	To consider and approve the Proposed list of evaluators for PhD Thesis evaluation of Ms. Sweety Kataria, Enrollment No. 173102469, PHDCS student.	Approved by the School Board. Viva-Voce held. Degree awarded.
Item No. 56.10	To consider and approve the Proposed list of evaluators for PhD Thesis evaluation of Ms. Sofia Goel, Enrollment No. 173103407, PHDCS student.	Approved by the School Board. Viva-Voce held. Degree awarded.
Item No. 56.11	To consider and approve the Proposed list of evaluators for PhD Thesis evaluation of Ms. Jyoti Bisht, Enrollment No. 173102451, PHDCS student.	Approved by the School Board. Viva-Voce held. Degree awarded.
Item No. 56.12	To consider TEE answer sheet Evaluators for various courses of SOCIS programmes for approval.	Approved by the School Board. Sent to Competent Authority for approval.

Action Taken on Minutes of Meeting of School Board (by Circulation) held on 1st March, 2024

Item No. 1	To co-opt the external members for the School Board of SOCIS under clause (2) (e) of Statute 10 A.	Approved by the School Board (By circulation). Notification issued by ACD.
Item No. 2	To consider and approve Change in Eligibility Criteria of 2 years Master of Computer Applications (Programme Code ODL: MCA_New, Programme Code Online mode: MCAOL) from July 2024 admission cycle and onwards.	Approved by the School Board (By circulation). Submitted for further approvals.

Action Taken on Minutes of Meeting of School Board (by Circulation) held on 15th April, 2024

Item No. 1	To consider and approve the minutes of the admission committee meetings and the list of shortlisted candidates for admission to PHDCS for the July 2023 admission cycle.	Approved by the School Board (By circulation). Sent to Research Unit for RC/RCSC approval.
Item No. 2	To consider and approve the PRF (Programme Revision Form) of BCA (Revised) and BCAOL.	Approved by the School Board (By circulation). Submitted for further approval.


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 Director, School of Computer and Information Sciences

Item No. 57.4 To consider and approve the Minutes of the meeting of Expert Committee for M.Sc. in Data Science and Analytics along with course structure of various courses.

Discussion The Minutes of the meeting of the Expert Committee of M.Sc. in Data Science and Analytics along with course structure of various courses of School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on 15th March, 2024 were circulated among members for their comments/suggestions. No comments/suggestions were received. The Minutes were placed before the School Board for consideration and approval.

Decision The School Board considered and approved the Minutes (Annexure – 57.4.1) of the Expert Committee for M.Sc. in Data Science and Analytics and Syllabus /course structure (Annexure- 57.4.1) for the various courses of M.Sc. in Data Science and Analytics of School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on 15th March, 2024 with the following suggestions: (1) Orientation Programmes for Academic Counselors need to be conducted (2) Reference books are to be given for every course (3) Links to video lectures may be included at the end of each unit of every course (4) For every course, references to corresponding suitable online courses may be given (5) Learning outcomes need to be included (6) Since there are large number of courses and it's a 4 semester programme, to facilitate the inclusion of latest content into the units, Course coordinators are herewith authorized to review syllabus and course structures. After review , they may reduce / increase syllabus, make appropriate changes in course structures, if needed.

Item No.57.5 To consider and approve the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) for "M.Sc in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning" (2 years).

Discussion Prof. Divakar Yadav and Prof.Sandeep Singh Rawat, Programme Coordinators of Master of Science (M.Sc) in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning presented the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) and Need Analysis for the proposed programme.

Decision The School Board approved the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) (Annexure- 57.5.1) and Need Analysis (Annexure- 57.5.2) for M.Sc. in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning (M.Sc. in AI & ML) with the following suggestions: (a) Reference books are to be given for every course (b) In the programme information, it needs to be included that prior knowledge of Mathematics, Statistics is desirable (c) After the programme launch, SOCIS may explore the possibility of offering electives (d) Members pointed out that , as per AICTE APH, the nomenclature for ODL/Online learning in the area of AI and ML was mentioned as Post Graduate Diploma / Post Graduate Certificate. Compliance (as applicable) needs to be ensured (e) Wherever suitable NPTEL courses are found,

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possibility of offering credit transfer needs to be explored. (f) The proposed launch cycle and year may be updated to “July,2025 or January, 2026 onwards”.

Item No.57.6 **To consider and approve the Minutes of the 47th Meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of the School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on 21st December, 2023.**

Discussion The Minutes (Annexure -57.6.1) of the 47th Meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of the School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on December 21, 2023 were circulated among members for comments. Subsequently, the Minutes were confirmed in the 48th meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) held on February 26, 2024. The Minutes are placed before the School Board for consideration and approval.

Decision The School Board considered and approved the Minutes (Annexure – 57.6.1) of the 47th Meeting of Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on 21st December, 2023.

Item No.57.7 **To consider and approve the Minutes of the 48th Meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of the School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on 26th February, 2024.**

Discussion The Minutes (Annexure 57.7.1) of the 48th Meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of the School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on February 26, 2024, were circulated among members for comments. Subsequently, the Minutes were confirmed in the 49th meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) held on March 6, 2024. The Minutes are placed before the School Board for consideration and approval.

Decision The School Board considered and approved the Minutes (Annexure – 57.7.1) of the 48th Meeting of Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on 26th February, 2024.

Item No.57.8 **To consider and approve the Minutes of the 49th Meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of the School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on 6th March, 2024.**

Discussion The Minutes (Annexure -57.8.1) of the 49th Meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of the School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on March 6, 2024, were circulated among members for comments. Subsequently, the minutes were confirmed in the 50th meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) held on April 3, 2024. The Minutes are placed before the School Board for consideration and approval.

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Decision The School Board considered and approved the Minutes (Annexure – 57.8.1) of the 49th Meeting of Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on 6th March, 2024.

Item No.57.9 **To consider and approve the Minutes of the 50th Meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of the School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on 3rd April, 2024.**

Discussion The Minutes (Annexure -57.9.1) of the 50th Meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of the School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on April 3, 2024, were circulated among members for comments. The Minutes are placed before the School Board for consideration and approval.

Decision The School Board considered and approved the Minutes (Annexure – 57.9.1) of the 50th Meeting of Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) of School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) held on 3rd April, 2024.

Item No.57.10 **To consider and approve the proposed list of evaluators for PhD Thesis of Mr. Dharmendra Kumar, Enrollment No. 173103421, PHDCS student.**

Discussion School Board noted that the pre-submission seminar of Mr. Dharmendra Kumar, Enrol. No. 173103421, PHDCS student was approved.

Decision The list of evaluators for PhD Thesis evaluation of Mr. Dharmendra Kumar, Enrollment No. 173103421, PHDCS student was considered and approved by the School Board.

Item No.57.11 **To consider and approve the proposed list of evaluators for PhD Thesis of Ms. Sarita Bansal, Enrollment No. 173103414, PHDCS student.**

Discussion School Board noted that the pre-submission seminar of Ms. Sarita Bansal, Enrol. No. 173103414, PHDCS student was approved.

Decision The list of evaluators for PhD Thesis evaluation of Ms. Sarita Bansal, Enrollment No. 173103414, PHDCS student was considered and approved by the School Board.

Item No.57.12 **To consider and approve Question Paper Setters, TEE answer sheet Evaluators and Project Evaluator for various courses of SOCIS programmes.**

Discussion The list of TEE answer sheet Evaluators and Question Paper Setters for various courses of SOCIS programmes (Annexure 57.12.1) was placed before School Board for consideration and approval. Some faculty members in School Board mentioned that they would like to include additional names to the lists. School Board authorized Chairperson to include the additional names received from the Faculty into the Minutes of the meeting of School Board and treat them as approved by School Board

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Decision

After deliberations, the School Board considered and approved the list of TEE answer sheet Evaluators and Question Paper Setters for various courses of SOCIS programmes (Annexure 57.12.1). It also suggested that the list should include the fields such as Designation, Institution where the Expert is currently working, Educational Qualifications etc.

Item No.57.13

To consider and approve the withdrawal of Dr. Kanhaiya Sharma from the panel of Question Paper Setters of SOCIS.

Discussion

It was explained that the question paper set by Dr.Kanhaiya Sharma diverged from the pattern completely. Also, the questions included were not suitable to be considered in the question paper due to which the question papers were cancelled and withdrawal recommended by the moderation committee.

Decision

School Board considered and approved the withdrawal of Dr. Kanhaiya Sharma from the panel of Question Paper Setters of SOCIS.

Item No. 57.14 To consider and approve the list of Course Writers, Content Editors and Language editors for various courses of M.Sc. in Data Science and Analytics.

Decision

School Board considered and approved the list of Course Writers, Content Editors and Language Editors (Annexure-57.14.1 : https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1j-u_XGw3wuiUPjgIZsm5fs0BYxZ6u8Qx) for various courses of M.Sc. in Data Science and Analytics given by different faculty members of SOCIS.

Item No. 57.15 To consider and approve the Experts for Expert committee Meeting to Start a new programme on M.Sc. in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning by the School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS)

Decision

School Board considered and approved the list of Experts for Expert Committee Meeting (Annexure-57.15.1) for a new programme on M.S. in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning of SOCIS.

Item No.57.16

To report the approval of Vice Chancellor for updated eligibility conditions for BCA (BCA_NEW and BCA_NEWOL)

Discussion

BCA programme coordinators informed the School Board that revised eligibility conditions were published by AICTE in its Approval Process Handbook (2024-27). Accordingly, SOCIS sought approval of competent authority for updating the eligibility conditions for BCA (ODL and OL) (3 years duration) from July,

2024 session onwards and Vice Chancellor approved the proposal of the SOCIS (Annexure-57.16.1)

Decision

The School Board noted the approval granted by VC (Annexure-57.16.1). The following are the revised eligibility conditions for BCA_NEW and BCA_NEWOL:

10+2 or its equivalent

OR

A pass in Diploma in Commercial Practice or equivalent

Item No.57.17 To report the approval of Vice Chancellor for withdrawal and resumption of PGDCA_NEW programme from July, 2024 session onwards

Decision

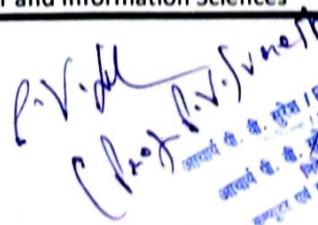
School Board noted the approval of Vice Chancellor dated March 20th, 2024 for request of SOCIS for withdrawal of PGDCA_NEW from July, 2024 session onwards as the programme duration was mentioned as 2 years in AICTE APH (2024-27). School Board also noted the approval of Vice Chancellor dated May 6th, 2024 for the request of SOCIS for continuing the PGDCA_NEW from July, 2024 session onwards keeping in view of the public notice issued by UGC dated April 10th, 2024 (Annexure-57.17.1)



(Prof. P.V. Suresh)

Chairperson

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