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Minutes of the 6th Meeting of the School Board of the School of Gender and Development Studies held on 12th January, 2010 at 2.30p.m. in the Conference Room, Block G, IGNOU

The following members attended the meeting:

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| 1. | Prof. Savita Singh | Chairperson |
| 2. | Prof. Anu Aneja | Ex-Officio Member |
| 3. | Prof. Annu J. Thomas | " |
| 4. | Prof. Uma Kanjilal | Member |
| 5. | Dr. Shubhangi Vaidya | " |
| 6. | Prof. Srikrishna Deva Rao | Special Invitee |
| 7. | Dr. Nilima Srivastava | Member |
| 8. | Dr. Himadri Roy | " |
| 9. | Prof. Poonam Agarwal | Co-opted Member |
| 10. | Prof. Malashri Lal | " |
| 11. | Prof. N.K. Banerjee | " |

The following members could not attend:

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| 1 | Prof. Sharmila Rege |
| 2 | Ms. Mina Swaminathan |

The Chairperson welcomed the members to the 6th meeting of the School Board of SOGDS. She extended a warm welcome to the new members Prof. Uma Kanjilal and Dr. Shubhangi Vaidya.

Agenda Item 1 : Confirmation of Minutes of 5th School Board : The Minutes of the 5th Meeting held on July, 23, 2009 were confirmed as circulated.

Agenda Item 2 : Offer of Certificate/Diploma in Gender and Agriculture : The School proposes to offer the Certificate/Diploma programmes in Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development jointly with School of Agriculture and the Chair for Sustainable Development, IGNOU. IDRC has also expressed willingness to collaborate. A communication has been received from School of Agriculture that the School is willing in principle to collaborate in the design and development of the programme.

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The School Board approved the proposal and suggested that the Phase 1 Form be submitted to the School Board for approval

Agenda Item 3 : Offer of Diploma or Certificate in Gender and Law : Prof. Srikrishna Deva Rao, Director, School of Law who attended the meeting as a Special Invitee, supported this collaborative initiative with School of Law. He suggested a modular approach beginning with offer of a Certificate Programme in Gender and Law.

The School Board approved the proposal and suggested that the Phase 1 Form be submitted to the School Board for approval.

Agenda Item 4 : Collaboration with Centre of Gender and Cultural Studies, RWANDA : The Chairperson explained the nature and scope of the proposed collaboration with the Centre of Gender and Cultural Studies, RWANDA.

The School Board, while welcoming collaboration initiatives, suggested exploration of the scope and details of arrangements required to operationalize the collaboration.

Agenda Item 5 : Approval of Course Writers for M.A. in Gender and Development Studies : A list of course writers for M.A. in Gender and Development Studies was placed before the School Board with the work assigned. It was suggested that institutional affiliation may be mention for the processing for approval of the competent authority.

The School Board approved the list of course writers with the work assigned. The School Board also authorized the Director to seek approval by circulation of any modifications, additions, deletions in the list of course writers to ensure timely completion of work.

Agenda Item 6: Approval of Editors for M.A. in Gender and Development Studies : A panel of suggested editors was placed before the School Board. The School Board suggested that institutional affiliations may be mentioned for further processing for approval of the competent authority.

The School Board approved the list of editors for M.A. in Gender and Development Studies. The School Board also authorized the Director to seek approval by circulation of any modifications, additions, deletions in the list of editors.

Agenda Item 7: Approval of Translators for DWED, CWDL: A panel of translators for Diploma in Women's Empowerment and Development, Certificate in Empowering Women Through Self Help Groups was placed before the School Board. The School Board suggested that approval may be sought from the competent authority since approval by the School Board is not required for translators.

Agenda Item 8: Approval of Course Writers for first year of PG/MA Programme in Women's and Gender Studies: A list of Course Writers for first year of PG/MA Programme in Women's and Gender Studies was placed before the School Board. It was suggested that institutional efficient may be mentioned for the further processing for approval of competent authority.

The School Board approved the list of course writers. The School Board also authorized the Director to seek approval by circulation of any modifications, additions, deletions in the list of course writers to ensure timely completion of work.

Agenda Item 9: Approval of Course Writers for "History of Women and Gender Issues" for M.Phil/Ph.D Programme in Women's Studies : A list of Course Writers for "History of Women and Gender Issues" for M.Phil/Ph.D Programme in Women's Studies was placed before the School Board. The School Board suggested that institutional affiliation may be mentioned for further processing for approval of competent authority.

The School Board approved the list of course writers. The School Board also authorized the Director to seek approval by circulation of any modifications, additions, deletions in the list of course writers to ensure timely completion of work.

Agenda Item 10 : Approval of Paper Setters, Moderators, Evaluators for M.A. in Gender and Development Studies : The Paper Setters, Moderators, Evaluators for MA in Gender and Development Studies were approved by the School Board with the proviso that they should have 5 years of experience. All internal faculty members were also approved by the School Board as paper setters, moderators and evaluators for MA. in Gender and Development Studies.

Agenda Item 11 : Approval of Ph.D. Candidates and Supervisors for Ph.D. in Gender and Development Studies approved by the Doctoral Committee : The School Board approved the minutes of the Doctoral Committee for Ph.D. in Gender and Development Studies held on 31.8.2009. As suggested the candidates made necessary revisions where required and submitted their re-written proposals which were subsequently approved. The names of the candidates, titles and names of supervisors are as follows:

S.No.	Name of Student	Title	Name of Supervisor
1	Mr. Boddu Ventkata Rao	Performance of Fisher Women Self Help Groups (SHG) in Andhra Pradesh.	Prof. Annu J. Thomas SOGDS, IGNOU
2	Ms. Chavali Padmasri	Coping Skills of Women as Cancer Care Givers	Prof. Savita Singh, SOGDS, IGNOU

Agenda Item 16 : Reporting on Preliminary Report on Need Assessment Survey conducted for PG/MA Programme in Women's & Gender Studies

The School Board members noted the progress made in need assessment.

The Chairperson thanked Prof. Malashri Lal, Prof Poonam Agarwal, Ms. Mina Swaminathan, Dr. N.K. Banerjee and Prof. Sharmila Rege whose terms would be completed shortly for their invaluable contributions.

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



(Savita Singh)
Director, SOGDS