

MINUTES OF THE 18TH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF THE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES HELD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2006 IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, BLOCK-7, IGNOU CAMPUS, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI.

The following were present:

1. Prof. N.V. Narasimham, Chairman
2. Prof. B.B. Khanna, SOMS, IGNOU
3. Prof. Nawal Kishor, SOMS, IGNOU
4. Prof. P.C. Basak, SOMS, IGNOU
5. Prof. Udai Pareek. Indian Institute of Health Management & Research, Jaipur.
6. Prof. Shivshankar Mishra, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar, Marathwada University, Aurangabad
7. Prof. Ravichandran, Madras University, Chennai
8. Dr. Pushplata Tripathi, SOS, IGNOU
9. Dr. Kamal Yadava, SOMS, IGNOU
10. Dr. Anurag Saxena, SOMS, IGNOU
11. Dr. Subodh Kesharwani, SOMS, IGNOU
12. Dr. Rashmi Bansal, SOMS, IGNOU

Dr. O.N. Singh, Prof. M.R. Rao, Prof. Uma Kanjilal, Sh. Shashi Bhushan, and Dr. Ajit Kumar could not attend the meeting

At the outset, the Chairman extended a warm welcome to the members of the School Board for the meeting. Before taking up the agenda, the chairman welcomed the following new members:

1. Prof. Uma Kanjilal
2. Dr. Pushplata Tripathi
3. Sh. Shashi Bhushan
4. Dr. Ajit Kumar
5. Dr. Kamal Yadava
6. Dr. Anurag Saxena
7. Dr. Subodh Kesharwani
8. Dr. Rashmi Bansal

The Chairman also placed on record his appreciation for the services rendered by the following retiring members:

1. Prof. Parvin Sinclair
2. Dr. Madhu Parhar
3. Dr. Kaustuva Barik
4. Dr. Jitendra Kumar Srivastava
5. Dr. S. Srilatha
6. Dr. Madhu Tyagi
7. Dr. M.S.S. Raju
8. Dr. Kamal Vagrecha

The following agenda items were taken up for discussion and necessary decision.

Item No. 1: To confirm the minutes of the 17th meeting of the School Board held on January 25, 2006 and to note the action taken.

18.1 Since there were no comments received from the members on the minutes of the 17th School Board meeting, the same were confirmed by the Board.

Item No. 2: Reporting of the decisions of the Academic Council's Standing Committee regarding (a) Semester-wise offer of management courses and (b) fixing of maximum duration in Management Programme.

Item 18.2 Prof. B.B. Khanna explained in detail the decisions of the Academic Council Standing Committee regarding semester-wise offer of management courses and fixing of maximum duration in management programme. It is also informed that both these decisions shall be implemented from January 2007 session. It was further clarified that the scheme of courses for semester-wise offer approved by the ACSC is the same as the scheme discussed and deferred in the 17th School Board meeting held on 25th January, 2006.

The School Board noted the decisions of ACSC and ratified.

Item No: 3 Co-option of members of the School Board in terms of the provision of Clause 2 (e) of Statue 10 A of the Statutes of the University.

18.3 After discussion, the School Board co-opted the following five members of the School Board of the School of Management Studies under the clause (2) (e) of Statue 10A.

1. Prof. L. Venugopal Reddy
Vice Chancellor
Andhra University
Visakhapatnam 530 003
Andhra Pradesh
2. Prof. M.B. Shukla
Dean, Faculty of Commerce & Management
Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapeeth
Varanasi - 221 002
Uttar Pradesh
3. Prof. Badar Alam Iqbal
Dean, Deptt. of Commerce
Aligarh Muslim University
Aligarh -202 002
Uttar Pradesh
4. Prof. S.K. Kalra
Professor, Organisational Behaviour
Management Development Institute
Mehrauli Road, Sukhrali
Gurgaon - 122 001
Haryana
5. Prof. N.S. Narasimhan
Professor, Finance and Control
Indian Institute of Management
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Item No. 4: To consider and approve the Phase-1 Form and Phase-3 Form for Certificate Programme in Office Management for NGOs Staff.

- 18.4 Dr. M.S. S. Raju, Programme Coordinator, presented the details of the Phase-1 Form and Phase-3 Form and explained the programme structure as approved by the Expert Committee in the meeting held on September 5, 2006 and circulated the minutes of the said meeting. Dr. Subodh Kesarvani, Joint Programme Coordinator gave further details. It is informed that the Expert Committee suggested change in the title of the programme as 'Certificate in Business Skills'. It is also informed to the School Board that the programme is developed in collaboration with Rajeev Gandhi Foundation, New Delhi and Commonwealth of Learning, Canada. However, the programme will be offered by IGNOU like any other certificate programme of the university. Out of the four courses proposed in the certificate programme, three courses are adopted from the existing programmes of the university and one new course "Business Communications and Entrepreneurship" is developed for this Certificate in collaboration with Rajeev Gandhi Foundation and Commonwealth of Learning. The Programme Code and the Course Code for the new course are yet to be assigned by the Planning Division as per the University practice.

The School Board appreciated this initiative. The School Board authorized the faculty to incorporate the Programme Code and Course Code as and when assigned by the Planning Division. The change in the programme title as Certificate in Business Skills is noted and Phase-1 and Phase-3 are approved by the School Board.

Item No.5: Consider and approve Phase Zero Form for Application Oriented Course "BCE-01 Business Communication and Entrepreneurship" for the BDP Programme.

- 18.5 Dr. M.S.S. Raju, Course Coordinator presented the details of the course structure and informed that the course is developed in collaboration with Rajeev Gandhi Foundation, New Delhi and Commonwealth of Learning, Canada for the Certificate in Business Skills Programme. As this course is very much relevant and useful for the B.Com. students, faculty proposed the same to be included in the Application Oriented courses for the Bachelors Degree Programme. This proposal was discussed and approved by the Expert Committee held on September 5, 2006. The programme code

for the new course is to be assigned by the Planning Division as per the University practice.

The School Board authorized faculty to incorporate the course code as and when assigned by the Planning Division. Phase Zero is approved by the School Board.

Item No. 6: To Consider and approve Phase Zero Form for MS-410 Financial Innovations and Engineering as a specialization course in the finance area of the Management Programme.

18.6 Dr. Kamal Vagrecha, Course Coordinator explained the objectives and the detailed structure of MS-410 Financial Innovation and Engineering. Minutes of the Course Experts cum Writers Meeting held on September 6, 2006 was circulated. After the deliberations, it is decided that the title of Block 1 to be changed as "Introduction to Financial Innovation and Engineering". With this change, Phase Zero Form is approved by the School Board.

The external members Prof. Udai Pareek, Prof. Shivshankar Mishra and Prof. Ravichandran who are completing their tenure on September 7, 2006 thanked SOMS and IGNOU for co-opting them in the School Board and giving them an opportunity to participate in the academic deliberations of the School. The Chairman also thanked these outgoing members for their active participation and valuable contributions.

Meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.


(N.V. NARASIMHAM)
Chairman