MINUTES OF THE 25<sup>TH</sup> SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF THE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES HELD ON OCTOBER 26, 2010 AT 11:30 AM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, SOMS, VISVESWARYYA BHAWAN, BLOCK-C NEW ACADEMIC COMPLEX, IGNOU, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI.

The following members were present:

- Prof. Nawal Kishor, Chairman
- Prof. Bhagirath Singh, Vice Chancellor, MDSU, Ajmer
- 3. Prof. D. K. Benwat, Professor, IIT, Delhi
- 4. Prof. Ravi Shanker, Director, Jaypee Business School, Noida
- 5. Prof. M. Thripal Raju, Professor & Incharge, IICM, Mumbai
- 6.- Prof. Narayan Prasad, Professor. SOSS, IGNOU
- Dr. Neera Singh, Reader, SOH, IGNOU
- 8. Dr. A. K. Gaba, Reader, SOVET, IGNOU
- Dr. Manasi Sharma, Lecturer, SOL, IGNOU
- Prof. Madhulika Kaushik, Professor, SOMS, IGNOU
- 11. Prof. N.V.Narasimham, Professor, SOMS, IGNOU
- 12. Prof. G. Subbayamma, Professor, SOMS, IGNOU
- 13. Prof. Madhu Tyagi, Professor, SOMS, IGNOU
- 14. Prof. Kamal Yadava, Professor, SOMS, IGNOU
- 16. Prof. P.C. Basak, Professor, SOMS, IGNOU
- 17. Prof. T. U. Fulzele, Professor, SOMS, IGNOU
- Prof. M.S.S.Raju, Professor, SOMS, IGNOU
  Dr. Gopal, Reader, Professor, SOMS, IGNOU
- 20. Dr. Subodh Kesharwani, Lecturer, SOMS, IGNOU
- 21. Dr. Leena Singh, Lecturer, SOMS, IGNOU
- 22, Dr. Anupriya Pandey, Lecturer, SOMS, IGNOU
- 23. Dr. Sen Gupta, Institute of Chartered Accountants of India Special Invitee

Prof. B. B. Khanna, SOMS, Prof. Srilatha, SOMS, Prof. K. Ravi Sankar, SOMS, SOMS IGNOU could not attend the meeting.

The chairman explained about the various academic programmes and other activities of the School including the recent launching of the specialized programmes like BBA Retailing with the Retail Association of India, M.Com in Indirect Taxation with NACEN, B.Com and M.Com with ICWAI, ICSI and ICWAI, Post Graduate Diploma in Financial Market Practices with FTKMC, Certificate in NGO Management with UNAids, etc.

The Chairman welcomed all the members for 25<sup>th</sup> Meeting of School Board of School of Management Studies. He introduced and welcomed the following incoming Members of the School Board and solicited their cooperation and active participation in the Meeting:

- Prof. Bhagirath Singh, Vice Chancellor, Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati University,
- Prof. D. K. Benwat, Professor of Management, Deptt. Of Management Studies, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi
- 3. Prof. Ravi Shanker, Director, Jaypee Business School, Jaypee Institute of Information Technology, Noida

- 4. Prof. M. Thripal Raju, Professor & Incharge, Indian Institute of Capital Markets, UTI House, Navi Mumbai,
- 5. Dr. Gopal, Reader, School of Management Studies, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi
- 6. Dr. Subodh Kesharwani, Lecturer, School of Management Studies, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi
- 7. Dr. Leena Singh, Lecturer, School of Management Studies, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi
- 8. Dr. Anupriya Pandey, Lecturer, School of Management Studies, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi
- 9. Prof. Narayan Prasad, School of Social Sciences, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi
- 10. Dr. Neera Singh, Reader, School of Humanities, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi
- Dr. A. K. Gaba, Reader, School of Vocational Education & Training, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi
- 12. Dr. Manasi Sharma, School of Law, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi

The Chairman placed on record the valuable contributions made by following outgoing Members of the School Board who have completed their term and thanked them:

- 1. Prof. B. S. Hansara, Professor, School of Agriculture, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi.
- 2. Dr. Jagpal Singh, Reader, School of Social Science, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi.
- 3. Dr. Sutapa Bose, Lecturer, School of Education, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi.
- 4. Dr. Santosh Tanwar, Lecture, School of Computer & Information Science, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi.
- 5. Dr. Sunil Kumar Gupta, Reader, School of Management Studies, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi.
- Mr. T. V. Vijay Kumar, Lecturer, School of Management Studies, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi.
- 7. Dr. Anjali Ramteke, Lecturer, School of Management Studies, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi.
- 8. Dr. Madhulika P. Sarkar, Lecturer, School of Management Studies, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi.

The Chairman placed on record the sad demise of Prof. C. Venkataratanam, Director, IMI, New Delhi and the house observed two minute silence to pray Almighty for the peace of the departed soul.

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

No.25.1 To confirm the minutes of the 24<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the School Board held on 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2009 and to note the action taken thereon.

The Chairman informed that the Minutes of the 24<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on November 6, 2009 were circulated to members and there were no comments received from any member.

The School Board approved the minutes and the action taken thereof.

Detailed Report of Course Work for Ph.D. and M.Phil programmes in Commerce.

No.25.3 To consider and approve the minutes of the Doctoral Committee in Commerce held on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2010 and ratify the action taken on the seminar presentation of work in progress by Ph.D candidate in Commerce.

The item was presented by the Programme Coordinator, Ph.D. in Commerce, Prof. N. V. Narasimham. He stressed that the IGNOU Ph.D. regulation is more rigorous and all Ph.D. scholars are supposed to make four presentations during their study.

The school board approved the minutes of the meeting of the Doctoral Committee in Commerce held on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2010 and ratified the action taken on the seminar presentation of the work in Progress by Ph.D. Candidates in Commerce.

No.25.4 To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Doctoral Committee in Commerce held on 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2010 and ratify the action taken for the admission of 8 selected candidates to Ph.D Programme in Commerce.

Prof. N. V. Narasimham, Programme Coordinator, Ph.D. in Commerce presented this item and elaborated the procedures for the selection of the Candidates in the Ph.D. Programme in Commerce.

The school board approved the minutes of the meeting of the Doctoral Committee in Commerce held on 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2010 and ratified the action taken for the admission of all 8 candidates to Ph.D. Programme in Commerce.

No.25.5 To Consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Doctoral Committee in Commerce held on 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2010 and ratify the action taken on the progress reports submitted by Ph.D candidates in Commerce for the approval of the Research Council.

The item was presented by the Programme Coordinator, Ph.D. in Commerce, Prof. N. V. Narasimham. He briefed about the progress report submitted by the candidates for Ph.d. Programme in Commerce.

The School Board approved the minutes of the meeting of Doctoral Committee in Commerce held on 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2010 and ratified the action taken on the progress reports submitted by the Ph.D. Candidates in Commerce for the approval of the Research Council.

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No.25.6 To consider and approve the syllabus of 'Specialization Course - Mergers and Corporate Restructuring' as a part of course work specialized for Mr. Sony Kuriakose, RTA pursuing Ph.D in Commerce.

Prof. N. V. Narasimham, Programme Coordinator, Ph.D. in Commerce presented the item.

It was suggested to include 'Anti-take over Defences' to the unit III; similarly, replace "Accounting standard 14" with "IFRS 7 Merger and Acquisition" in unit IV.

The Members suggested incorporating a few topics which was incorporated in the curriculum.

The school board approved the syllabus of Specialization Course – Mergers and Corporate Restructuring' as a part of course work for Mr. Sony Kuriakose, RTA pursuing Ph.D. in Commerce.

No.25.7 To consider and approve Phase-I Form of Post Graduate Diploma in Information Systems Management (PGDISM) (leading to MBA in Information Systems Management)

The item was presented by Prof. P. C. Basak, Programme Coordinator, PGDISM. He briefed about the proposed programme and highlighted the need of the programme for the growing information based society.

The School Board approved the Phase-I Form of Post Graduate Diploma in Information Systems Management (PGDISM) (leading to MBA in Information Systems Management).

No.25.8 To consider and approve the panel of evaluators and paper setters for the courses being offered by Management Discipline.

The chairman presented the panel of evaluators, Paper setters and moderators for the courses being offered by Management Discipline.

The School Board decided that the Faculty members of Management Discipline will include the names of more experts and the Director will finalize the panel with the help of concerned discipline Faculty members.

No.25.2 To Consider and approve the phase 3 Form of Programme Design and Detailed Programme Report of Course work for Ph.D. and M.Phil Programmes in Commerce.

The chairman informed that the Commerce Discipline has already launched the Ph.D. Programme in Commerce for the Category A candidates and the Phase 3 Form for category B candidates has been placed before the School Board for consideration and approval.

Prof. N. V. Narasimham, Programme Coordinator for Ph.D. in Commerce explained the detailed Programme structure along with the evaluation system for the Ph.D. and M.Phil Programmes in Commerce.

There are two categories of candidates admitted for Ph.D programme in Commerce: (1) Category A Candidates having M.Phil or 5 years teaching/professional experience who can directly undertake dissertation work for Ph.D, and (2) Category B Candidates having Master Degree only must undergo course work before or alongside undertaking dissertation work.

The course work consists of:

- Research Methodology 8 Credits
- 2. Specialization Course 8 Credits
- 3. Review of Literature 8 Credits
- 4. Practical application & Viva Voce 8 Credits

The Members discussed various issues related to above courses particularly the exemption of course work for Category-A Candidates, development of course materials for the course work, evaluation methodology, plagiarism and ethics etc.

Prof. N. V. Narasimham, programme coordinator clarified the issues raised by the members and expressed that the basic objective of the course work is to develop the skills and competency of research to the candidates. The chairman also expressed that the programme aims at the practical exposure of the candidates towards the research activities.

As far as specialized courses are concerned gradually the baskets of specialized course curriculum would emerge which will facilitate the candidate for opting the particular course.

It was expressed that the candidates should have exposer to advanced software packages and data bases during the study, as already prescribed in the Research Methodology course.

Under paper 4, participation in seminar/conferences should be related to the theme of the proposed research by the candidate. Candidates shall participate in seminar/conference by presenting research paper.

The School Board approved the Phase 3 Form of Programme Design and

No. 25.9 To consider and approve the panel of evaluators, paper setters and moderators for the courses being offered by Commerce Discipline.

The chairman presented the panel of evaluators, Paper setters and moderators for the courses being offered by Commerce Discipline.

The School Board decided that the Faculty members of Commerce Discipline will include the names of more experts and the Director will finalize the panel with the help of concerned discipline Faculty members.

No. 25.10 To consider and approve the name of internal faculty members as Supervisor for Ph.D. in Commerce.

The Chairman presented the brief C.V. of Dr. Subodh Kesharwani, Lecture in Commerce, SOMS for inclusion in the list of Supervisors for Ph.D. in Commerce being offered by the School.

The School Board approved the name of Dr. Subodh Kesharwani as Supervisor for Ph.D. in Commerce.

No. 25.11 To consider and approve the Revised Course Design for B.Com (A&F) being offered by Commerce Discipline.

The Revised Course Design for B.Com (A&F) being offered by the Commerce Discipline was presented by Prof. N.V. Narasimham, Programme Coordinator. Further, details of course equivalence for the old schemes of CA in relation to the approved course structure of B.Com (A&F)/M.Com (F&T) were also presented and explained the rationality.

The school Board approved the Revised Course Design for B.Com (A&F) and M.Com (F&T) along with the course equivalences for the old schemes of CA.

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

(Nawal Kishor) Chairman