

MINUTES OF THE 27<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE SCHOOL OF SCIENCES HELD ON NOVEMBER 20, 2003 AT 11.00 A.M. IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM OF THE SCHOOL OF SCIENCES, IGNOU, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI - 110 068

The following members were present:

- ✓ 1. Prof. S.S. Hasan, Director (SOS) - Chairman
- ✓ 2. Prof. S. Sri Bala
- ✓ 3. Prof. S.N. Tandon
- ✓ 4. Prof. V.K. Tripathi
- ✓ 5. Dr. A.K. Bhatnagar
- ✓ 6. Prof. A.K. Agarwal
- ✓ 7. Prof. Parvin Sinclair
- ✓ 8. Prof. S. Kannan
- ✓ 9. Prof. Swaraj Basu
- ✓ 10. Dr. Vijayshri
- ✓ 11. Dr. B.I. Fozdar
- ✓ 12. Dr. S. Venkataraman

Prof. B.S. Yadava, Sh. Shashi Bhushan Sharma and Ms. Parvati Saidullah could not attend the meeting.

The Chairman welcomed the members and apologized to the absent members of the Board who could not attend the previous meeting of the School Board. Thereafter, the following items on the agenda were deliberated upon:

ITEM NO. 1: To confirm the Minutes of the 26<sup>th</sup> meeting of the School Board of School of Sciences held on July 30, 2003 at 11.00 A.M.

27.1.1 The Board was informed that the minutes of the 26<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the School of Sciences were circulated to all members vide letters No. IG/SOS/SB25/2003/596 dated 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2003. No comments were received from members.

27.1.2 The minutes of the 26<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the School Board of School of Sciences were confirmed.

27.1.3 **Reporting Item:**

The Chairman reported the action taken on the agenda deliberated upon in the 26<sup>th</sup> meeting of the School Board of the School of Sciences. The Board was informed that the Appreciation Course on Environment developed by the School of Sciences will be on offer from January, 2004. The

Awareness Course on Intellectual Property Rights will be launched soon.

The Course development work on the "Diploma Programme in Telecommunication" has been initiated.

Course development for the "Post-graduate Diploma in Environment and Sustainable Development" is in progress.

The experts are being contacted for developing the detailed structure and syllabi of the "Post graduate Diploma in Intellectual Property Rights".

ITEM NO. 2 :

To consider and approve the HRI-IGNOU Integrated Doctoral Programme in Mathematics

27.2.1

The Phase-III form of the HRI-IGNOU Integrated Doctoral Programme in Mathematics was placed before the School Board for approval. The Programme Coordinator presented the structure of the Programme and its content to the School Board.

While appreciating this initiative, the School Board members expressed their concerns about the nature of collaboration between HRI and IGNOU, the role of IGNOU and advised that the highest standards and norms should be maintained vis-a-vis teaching and research in the Programme.

It was also suggested that the norms for entering into the Doctoral component of the Programme as well as for continuous evaluation of the students should be clearly spelt out and the students should be informed accordingly at the time of the admission.

The Programme Coordinator appreciated the concerns of the School Board and assured the members that the highest standards would be maintained in the development and delivery of the Programme. The Board members were also informed that the IGNOU faculty have been and will be actively involved at all stages of the programme development and delivery, including guiding students for their Ph.Ds.

27.2.2

After a detailed discussion on these issues, the School Board approved the Phase-III Form of the HRI-IGNOU Integrated Doctoral Programme in Mathematics.

ITEM NO.3

To consider and approve the HRI-IGNOU Integrated Doctoral Programme in Physics (IDPP).

27.3.1

The Phase-III form of the HRI-IGNOU Integrated Doctoral Programme in Physics (IDPP) was placed before the Board. It was pointed out by the Programme Coordinator that the courses being offered at the Masters level were of the highest standard. The School Board members were assured that the quality of the Programme would be maintained as per the highest national and international standards and their concerns would be taken care of.

27.3.2

The School Board approved the Phase-III Form of the HRI-IGNOU Integrated Doctoral Programme in Physics (IDPP).

ITEM NO. 4

To deliberate on the offer of the Appreciation Course on Environment for all the students of BDP as a Non-credit component.

27.4.1

Members of the Board pointed out that the eligibility for admission to the course is graduation in any Discipline. Therefore this course could not be offered for the BDP students. The Chairman clarified that the agenda item should read as "to deliberate ..... for all graduates as a non-credit component."

27.4.2

The Board approved the revised agenda item.

ITEM NO. 5

Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

27.5.1

To approve the additional list of evaluators for FST-1 and AHE-1, paper setters and evaluators of Life Sciences electives LSE-01, LSE-02, LSE-03, LSE-05, LSE-06, LSE-07, LSE-12, LSE-13, paper setters, moderators, evaluators and translators of APM-01 (Life Sciences AOC) and moderators of LSE-03 Course

The Board approved the additional list of evaluators for FST-1 and AHE-1, paper setters and evaluators of Life Sciences electives LSE-01, LSE-02, LSE-03, LSE-05, LSE-06, LSE-07, LSE-12, LSE-13, paper setters, moderators, evaluators and

translators of AM1-01 (the Science of AOC) and moderators of LSE-03 Course.

27.5.2

To approve the names of paper setters, evaluators and experts for the Moderation Board for the chemistry elective CHE-10 of the B.Sc. Programme.

The Board approved the names of paper setters, evaluators and experts for the Moderation Board for CHE-10.

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

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(CHAIRMAN)

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