

**MINUTES OF THE 33<sup>RD</sup> MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE SCHOOL OF SCIENCES HELD ON 23<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST, 2006**

The following members were present:

1. Prof. Parvin Sinclair, Chairperson
2. Prof. V.B. Bhatia (Retd.), University of Delhi
3. Prof. A.K. Agarwal, SOHS, IGNOU
4. Dr. M.K. Bhardwaj, SOET, IGNOU
5. Dr. Sanjay Mishra, STRIDE, IGNOU
6. Dr. Sanjay Gupta, SOS, IGNOU
7. Dr. Lalita S. Kumar, SOS, IGNOU
8. Prof. Sunita Malhotra, SOS, IGNOU
9. Dr. Jaswant Sokhi, SOS, IGNOU
10. Dr. Pushplata Tripathi, SOS, IGNOU
11. Dr. Sujatha Varma, SOS, IGNOU
12. Prof. Vijayshri, SOS, IGNOU

Prof. N.K. Jha, Prof. S. Kumaresan, Prof. S. Ramachandran, Prof. Satva Deo Tripathi and Prof. A.R. Khan could not attend the meeting.

The meeting began with the Chairperson welcoming all the members, particularly the new members. She also thanked the outgoing members, namely, Prof. Gayatri Kansal, Prof. Devesh Kishore, Prof. Jawarimal Parakh, Prof. M.C. Sharma, Dr. Javed A. Farooqi, Dr. Shubha M. Gokhale, Dr. Neera Kapoor, Dr. Poornima Mital and Dr. Swadesh Taneja for their sage advice to the School during the last two years. Thereafter, the following items on the agenda were deliberated upon:

**ITEM NO. 1: TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE 32<sup>ND</sup> MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE SCHOOL OF SCIENCES.**

- 33.1.1 Since no comments were received, the minutes were treated as confirmed.

**ITEM NO. 2: MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- 33.2.1 The Chairperson informed the School Board members that the Diploma in Aquaculture has been developed for January, 2007 session. The diploma will be available for two streams – Freshwater Aquaculture and Coastal Aquaculture.

**ITEM NO. 3: REPORTING ITEMS**

- 33.3.1 There were no items for reporting.

**ITEM NO. 4: TO CONSIDER THE PROGRESS REPORT OF MS. ARCHANA BHATI MISHRA, ENROLLED IN THE PH.D (PHYSICS) PROGRAMME.**

- 33.4. The members considered the progress report (see Appendix) and appreciated the body of work undertaken by the student during the period from January, 2006 to June, 2006. Further, the following changes were suggested:

- i) On Page 1, the discipline should be Physics, and not Physics Education.
- ii) On Page 2, regarding the receipt of the filled-in questionnaires, 1 or 2 lines need to be added regarding the methodology for obtaining such a good response from the questionnaires that were mailed out. Further, as the supervisor clarified, this is related to the next point made regarding personal visits to study centres, which could be clubbed with this point accordingly.
- iii) A copy of the questionnaire should be attached as a part of the report.
- iv) An example of a graph showing the performance analysis of students in the different PHE courses should also be attached.
- v) The references need to be presented in uniform referencing style. Further, any other resources that were referred to, for example, web-based resources or CDs, could also be listed in the References.

33.4.2 The School Board recommended that the progress report be forwarded to the Research Council once the changes mentioned in 33.4.1 are incorporated.

**ITEM NO. 5: TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATION OF DR. SUBHALAKSHMI LAMBA FOR RECOGNITION AS SUPERVISOR IN THE PH.D. (PHYSICS) PROGRAMME.**

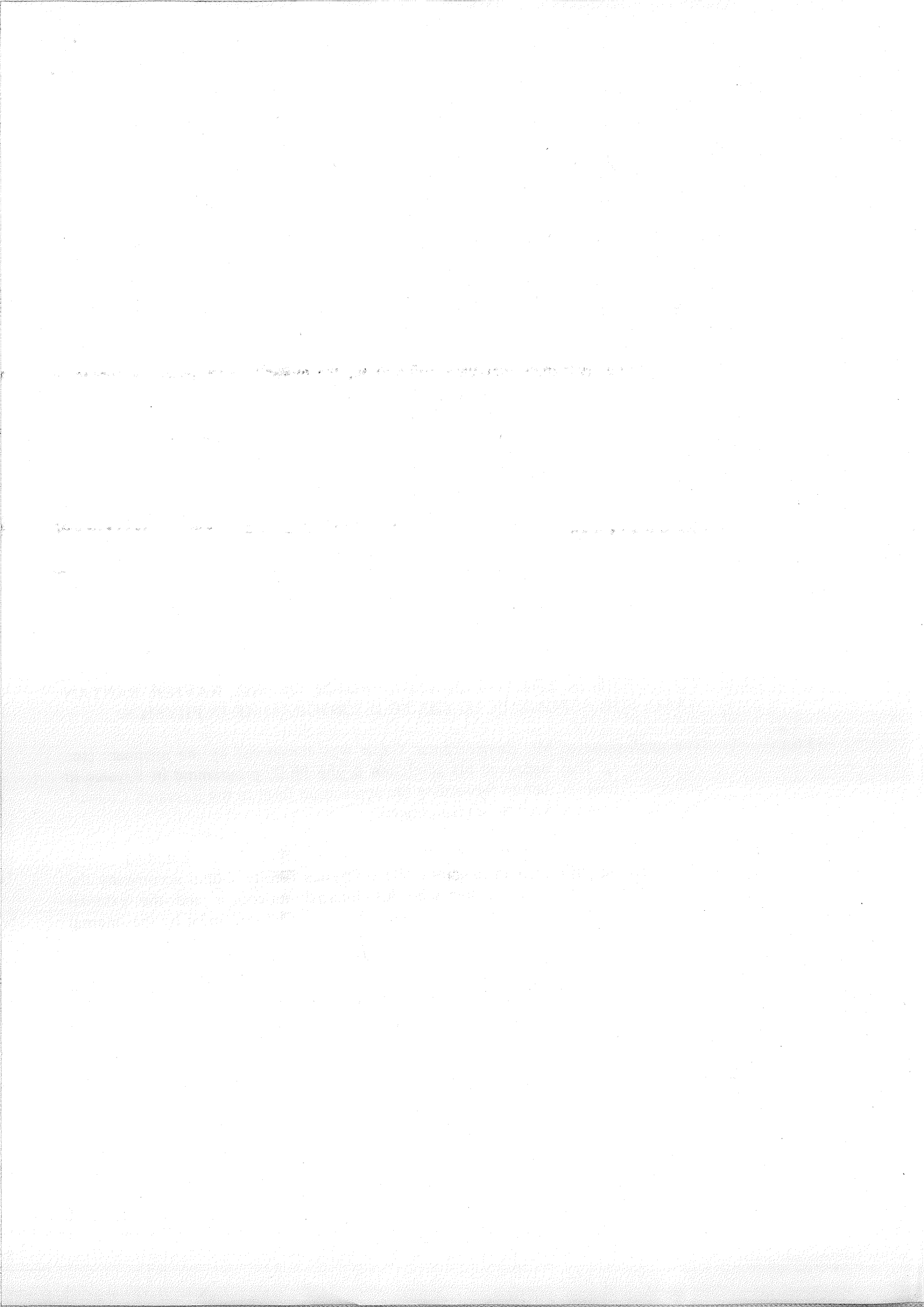
33.5.1 The application of Dr. Subhalakshmi Lamba for recognition as supervisor was considered. The members recommended that Dr. Subhalakshmi Lamba be recognized as supervisor, and her application be forwarded to Research Council for its consideration and approval along with her area of research (see Appendix 2).

**ITEM NO. 6: TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATION FORM OF MR. XAVIER SANTAN GAMA FOR ADMISSION TO THE PH.D. PROGRAMME IN PHYSICS.**

33.6.1 The application of Mr. Xavier Santan Gama was considered by the members (see Appendix 3). They approved his admission to the Ph.D. programme in Physics in principle. However, before forwarding the application form to the Research Council, the following points need to be incorporated.

- i) The proposal should include the broad title of the problem to be studied.
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