

**MINUTES OF THE NINETH SPECIAL ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING CHAIRED BY PROF. (Dr.) M.R. SASEENDRANATH, HON'BLE VICE CHANCELLOR, HELD IN HYBRID MODE ON 03.05.2023 AT 2.00. P.M.**

*The following members have attended the meeting.*

1. Dr. C. Latha, Director of Academics and Research, KVASU.
2. Dr. T.S. Rajeev, Director of Entrepreneurship, KVASU.
3. Dr. K. Vijayakumar, Dean, CVAS, Mannuthy.
4. Dr. M. K. Narayanan, Dean, CVAS, Pookode.
5. Dr. S. N. Rajakumar, Dean, VKIDFT, Mannuthy.
6. Dr. Harikrishnan S, Special Officer, CASM, Thiruvazhamkunnu.
7. Dr. Rahila M. P, Special Officer, CDST, Pookode.
8. Dr. Asha Ashok, Special Officer, CDST, Kolahalamedu.
9. Dr. Rachana C.R., Special Officer, CDST, Trivandrum.
10. Dr. N. Ashok, Senior Professor & Head, CVAS, Mannuthy.
11. Dr. Bindu Lakshmanan, Professor and Head, CVAS, Mannuthy.
12. Dr. A. K. Beena, Professor & Head, VKIDFT, Mannuthy.
13. Dr. Bipin K.C, Associate Professor, CVAS, Pookode.
14. Dr. Muhammed Aslam M K, Assistant Professor, Base Farm, Kolahalamedu, Idukki.
15. Dr. G.R. Jayadevan, Assistant Professor, CDST, Thiruvananthapuram.
16. Dr. Abhilash A.M, 20-MVM-25, Student Representative.

***Special invitees:***

1. Dr. Indu V Raj, Controller of Examination, KVASU.
2. Dr. Chintu Ravishankar, Associate Director of Research, KVASU.
3. Prof (Dr.) K Anilkumar, Professor, Faculty Research Co-ordination, CVAS, Mannuthy.

The meeting started at 2.00 P.M. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor welcomed the members and the special invitees to the meeting. In the introductory speech, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor emphasised the need for implementing NEP-2020 in KVASU and also intimated that the process for the same is underway.

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor invited the Director of Academics and Research for presenting the Agenda.

**Decisions taken on the Agenda Note**

Item No	Point for decisions	Decisions
9S.1	Whether the Academic Council would approve the proposal for revamping of PC groups in the Faculty of Veterinary & Animal Sciences and defining specific duties and functions for PC groups in the Faculty of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, KVASU.	<p>Approved the proposals with the following modifications.</p> <p><b>Approved the Project Coordination groups for the Faculty of Veterinary and Animal Sciences:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Immunology, Vaccines and Diagnostics.</li> <li>2. Epidemiology, Infectious Diseases and One Health approach.</li> <li>3. Diagnostic Imaging, Anesthesiology and Surgery.</li> <li>4. Breeding and Reproduction.</li> <li>5. Internal Medicine and Clinical Studies.</li> <li>6. Anatomy, Pathology and Toxicology.</li> </ol>

		<p>7. Infection biology.</p> <p>8. Animal Welfare, Wildlife and Climatology</p> <p>9. Molecular Biology</p> <p>10. Animal Biotechnology</p> <p>11. Microbial Biotechnology</p> <p>12. Animal Production, Productivity, and Farming systems</p> <p>13. Poultry Production and Management</p> <p>14. Livestock Products and Value Addition.</p> <p>15. Extension, Biostatistics and Economics.</p> <p>16. Experimentation in Animals.</p> <p>17. Companion Animals and Pet Birds</p> <p>18. Emerging Areas</p> <p>The proposal to form the PC groups in both colleges by the Faculty Dean considering the availability of eligible faculty to form the group” is not accepted.</p> <p>The proposed <b>Structure of PC groups</b>, was approved with the modification that the “PC groups shall be reconstituted in every three years”</p> <p>The proposed duties and functions of PC groups are approved as such.</p> <p>(Action: R2 section)</p>
9S.2	Whether the Academic Council would approve the eligibility criteria for guiding PhD scholars in the University as recommended by the committee and to modify the Academic Regulations in this regard.	<p>• Approved the Eligibility Criteria from 2022 admission onwards as follows:</p> <p>Clause No. <b>15.6.b</b> of the <b>Academic Regulations for the Ph.D. programmes in KVASU</b> is modified as: A permanent faculty member of KVASU with Ph.D. having five published scientific articles in Internationally/ Nationally rated journals as First Author/ Corresponding Author and with a minimum of one successfully guided P.G. (M.V.Sc/M.Tech/ M.Sc/M.S.) thesis supervision as Major Advisor or a minimum of three successfully guided P.G. (M.V.Sc/M.Tech/M.Sc/M.S.) thesis supervision as Minor Advisor will be mandatory to be a chairperson/ Major Advisor of a doctoral candidate.</p> <p>Clause No. <b>13.4</b> of the <b>Academic Regulations for the Ph.D. programme in Biosciences</b> is modified as: A permanent faculty member of KVASU with Ph.D. having five published scientific articles in Internationally/ Nationally rated journals as First Author/ Corresponding Author and with a minimum of one successfully guided P.G.</p>



		<p>(M.V.Sc /M.Tech/M.Sc/M.S.) thesis supervision as Major Advisor or a minimum of three successfully guided P.G. (M.V.Sc/M.Tech/M.Sc/M.S.) thesis supervision as Minor Advisor will be mandatory to be a chairperson/ Major Advisor of a doctoral candidate. The Major Advisor will be decided by the HoUD on rotation basis. The number of students that can be guided by a teacher as Major Advisor as per the existing regulations of the University shall be inclusive of Ph.D. Biosciences programmes also.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The recommendation of the committee to include an additional clause in the KVASU Academic regulations governing research supervisor ship viz. "the maximum number of research students that a teacher can guide at a time as Major Advisor may be limited to four" is not accepted since decision regarding that has already been taken in the 35<sup>th</sup> Academic Council.</li> </ul> <p>(Action: Acad A1 section)</p>
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After the discussion on agenda notes, the Council decided to review its decision to implement the amendment to academic regulations approved in the 35<sup>th</sup> Academic Council (item no. 35.D.4) regarding advisory committee only from 2022 admission onwards for all programmes. The Council has congratulated the chair for having received the honour of best Veterinarian from VCI.

The meeting came to an end by 3.20 PM with the vote of thanks from the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.

Pookode  
10-05-2023

Sd/-  
Vice Chancellor  
(Chairman)



//Approved for issue//

*George J.*

Section officer