B. Approval of the minutes of the Second Academic Council Meeting of KVASU held on 24/8/2011

Minutes of the Second Academic Council Meeting (2-AC/KVASU) of the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University (KVASU) Convened on 24th August, 2011

Venue: KVASU Liaison Office, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram (10.00 AM)

Members present:

- 1. Dr. B. Ashok, Vice Chancellor
- 2. Dr. C. B. Manomohan, Registrar
- 3. Dr. A. Jalaludeen, DAR
- 4. Dr. Ramkumar S., DE
- 5. Mr. P. Chandrasenan, Finance Officer
- 6. Dr. Leo Joseph, Dean, COVAS, Pookot
- 7. Dr. H. Subramaniam, Dean, COVAS, Mannuthy
- 8. Dr. P. Rajendra Kumar, Dean, CDST, Mannuthy
- 9. Dr. Vijayakumar R, Director (AHD)
- 10. Mrs. Sarojini, K. T., Director, Dairy Development
- 11. Dr. P. C. Alex, Professor
- 12. Dr. Mercy A. D., Professor
- 13. Dr. Jose John Chungath, Professor
- 14. Dr. K. P. Sreekumar, Professor (RC)
- 15. Dr. P. Sudheer Babu, Associate Professor
- 16. Mr. V. R. Reghunandanan, Associate Professor
- 17. Dr. Ajith Jacob George, Associtate Professor
- 18. Dr. Mittu T. Kurian, PG student

The meeting was chaired by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. B. Ashok, IAS. He welcomed the members. He requested the Director, Acad. and Res. (DAR) to present the agenda items.

The DAR presented the agenda items.

The minutes of the 1st Academic Council Meeting of KVASU held on 23.5.2011 along with the action taken report were approved.

There was a suggestion to change the name of Wild Life Centre to Centre for wildlife studies. The Director (A&R) informed that the matter is under process.

AGENDA ITEMS

I. Approval of Proforma for submission of Annual Confidential Report of the Teaching Staff

Decision

The Annual Confidential Report shall be remodeled as Annual Performance Report. A committee has to be formed with the Dean, CVAS, Mannuthy as the chairman, Professor (RC) as the convenor and Dean (CDST, Mannuthy), Dean (CVAS, Pookode) and Dr. P. C. Alex (Professor) as the members, to redraft the proforma, which shall follow the University Grants Commission guidelines, wherever applicable. The committee shall table the proforma in the next Academic Council meeting.

II. Permission to provide Merit Scholarship to Under Graduate Students

It was proposed to provide the merit scholarship to 10% of the meritorious students of each batch in each college at a rate of Rs. 1500/- per student per semester.

Decision

Approved.

III. Allocation of seats for KVASU/ICAR/AHD seats for the M.V.Sc. programme.

- 1) Ratified the allotment of one seat under ICAR quota in the Discipline of Pharmacology and Toxicology out of the total number of two seats.
- 2) Approved the addition of one seat for MVSc in Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology at CVAS, Pookode in the academic year 2011-12.

IV. Approval and permission to include an Entrance Examination (with external Question Paper setter) and an External examiner for interview as part of PhD candidate selection.

Decision

Approved with the correction that the term "external examiner" shall be changed to "external examiners"

V. KVASU- Joint institutional linkage ventures with Arya Vaidya Sala, Kottakkal Decision

Approved.

It was suggested to seek the expert advice from the faculty of college of Horticulture (KAU) for the propagation of medicinal plants.

VI. Admission of Sri. Msgna Sium Gebremariam, student sponsored by National Board of Higher Education Eritrea for M.V.Sc. Programme in Livestock Production and Management

Decision

Approved with the condition that the degree awarded be M.S. in Livestock production Management and that clinical courses shall not be included in the makeup courses, which are to be offered to the student as a pre-requisite to admission to M.S. programme in LPM.

VII. Dr. Princemon.K.S., M.V.Sc. sholar (2006-13-140) – Extension of one more semester on medical grounds to submit the thesis.

Decision

Approved.

VIII.Grading of students for attendance, punctuality, participation and conduct. Decision

Approved with the modification that the sentence "The final conduct and character certificate will be based on the number of VS or S grades. No students getting less than 80% overall semester grades as VS of S shall be declared satisfactory in conduct and character" shall be changed to "the course teacher shall report the grade to the Dean of the college and the counsellor (Advisor). Dean shall award the conduct certificate based on the remarks of the counsellor."

IX. OFFICIAL RESOLUTIONS

1. KVASU- Joint institutional entrepreneurial linkage ventures with LSGs, NGOS - Proposal for approval

Decision

Approved.

It was suggested that the type of Institution and the Entrepreneurship proposals acceptable to KVASU shall be incorporated to avoid conflict of interests with the Animal Husbandry Department.

2. Approval of deputation to faculty members for acquiring doctorate degree from outside Universities

Decision

Approved for the current year subject to the provisions in the Kerala State Service Rules.

It was suggested to call for application for deputation immediately as per the rules applicable as on 1.4.2011.

Approval of part time registration to faculty members for acquiring doctorate degree under KVASU

Decision

Approved with the suggestion that the study allowance shall be considered as Assistantship.

A committee was also constituted with the Director (A&R) as the chairman and the Dean (CVAS, Mannuthy), Dean (CVAS, Pookode) as members and Professor (RC) as member convenor to look into the matters regarding the transfer of PG and PhD seats among the departments. The committee shall submit the proposal immediately.

3. Approval for increasing the intake capacity of B.V.Sc. & A.H students in Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University from 2012 admission onwards Decision

Approved with commensurate increase in the facilities.

4. Increasing the number of the students admitted to the College of Dairy Science an Technology to 40

Decision

Approved with commensurate increase in the facilities.

5. Conferring of Honorary Doctorate to Dr. Amrita Patel, Chairperson, National Dair Development Board.

Decision

The matter was appreciated but the decision was deferred till the statues of KVAS are framed.

X. NON OFFICIAL RESOLUTIONS

1. Deputation to eligible teachers of KVASU who have completed 3 years or more service for undergoing PhD, without loss of salary or service

Decision

Agenda not taken up as the member was absent.

2. Establishment of new Inter disciplinary schools of Research at Universi Headquarters

Decision

Agenda not taken up as the member was absent.

3. Criteria for timely selection and deputation of faculty of KVASU for pursuing Ph as per the guidelines laid out by UGC

Decision

Matter had already been discussed and decision taken.

4. Establishment of a State quota for admissions into MVSc and PhD courses of KVAS Decision

Not approved.

OUTSIDE AGENDA

I. Exemption from registering the course STAT 512 (Experimental designs) for Pl programme – Request of Dr. G. Radhika and Dr. V. Vishnu Savanth.

Decision

Approved the decision of the Dean, CVAS, Mannuthy to exempt the PhD students, I G. Radhika (2010-23-112) and Dr. V. Vishnu Savanth(2010-23-103) from registering course STAT 512 (Experimental designs) for PhD programmes considering the fact that students have already undergone the course during their MVSc programme.

II. In the first Academic Council meeting of the KVASU held on 19-4-2011, it v decided to provide assistantship to specific number of M.V.Sc. and Ph.D scholars at rate of Rs.10,000/- and Rs.20,000/- per month, respectively. The modality for select of the candidates is as follows:

M.V.Sc.

- a. 70% marks obtained in the entrance test conducted for the selection.
- b. 15% marks based on a written statement of purpose to be submitted to the DAR before a specified date.
- c. 15% marks based on a five minutes presentation on the proposed work and utility of the study before a Committee constituted for the purpose.

Ph.D.

- a. 60% marks obtained in the entrance test conducted for the selection.
- b. 20% marks based on a written statement of purpose to be submitted to the DAR on specified date.
- c. 20% marks based on a five minutes presentation on the proposed work and utility of the study before a Committee constituted for the purpose.

Decision

Approved.

The meeting was concluded at 2.00 PM