

**MINUTES OF THE 20th ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING OF KVASU
CONVENED ON DECEMBER 22th 2016 AT THE CONFERENCE HALL, KERALA STATE
VETERINARY COUNCIL BUILDING, PEROORKADA, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM**

The following members were present:

1. Sri. Anil X, IAS, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.
2. Dr. Joseph Mathew, Registrar.
3. Dr. K.Devada, Director of Academics and Research.
4. Dr. T. P. Sethumadhavan, Director of Entrepreneurship.
5. Dr. Sisilamma George, Dean, CVAS, Mannuthy.
6. Dr. K. Vijayakumar, Dean, CVAS Pookode.
7. Dr. G. Girish Varma, Dean, CDST, Mannuthy.
8. Dr. B. Ajithbabu, Special Officer, CASM, Thiruvazhamkunnu.
9. Dr. C. T. Sathian, Professor, CVAS, Mannuthy.
10. Dr. B. Sunil, Professor, CVAS, Mannuthy.
11. Dr. A K Beena, Associate Professor, Dept. of Dairy Microbiology, CDST, Mannuthy.
12. Sri. Thampy Mathew, Deputy Director (Dept. of Dairy Development, Govt of Kerala) (Representing Director of Dept. of Dairy Development, Govt of Kerala).
13. Prof. K. V. Jayachandran, Director of Research, KUFOS.

Special invitees

1. Dr. K.M. Syam Mohan, Finance Officer.
2. Dr. V. Ramnath, Controller of Examinations.
3. Dr. K.P Sreekumar, Professor (RC)

The meeting started at 09.00 AM

The Director (Academics & Research) welcomed the members of the Academic Council. The minutes of the 19th Academic Council of KVASU held on 29th September, 2016 was discussed and approved.

On reporting the number of students admitted to each Technology enabled courses, Dr.K.P. Sreekumar requested to add the total of each column, that is, total number of applications received and total number of students admitted. It was also pointed out that in future, spot admission for MVSc, exclusively for our students need not be encouraged as the ICAR encourages admission of students from outside the state.

While reporting the recommendation put forward by the committee constituted to review the status of courses and enhancement of fees, it was discussed in detail and the general opinion of the council was against reduction of the seats in any of the programme, in the interest of the State. None of the courses should be terminated and to attract more candidates, Course Directors need to undertake wide publicity campaign. It was suggested to place all recommendations of re-structuring of fees to the Board of Management for discussion.

While discussing the review of work of Ph.D. students, the unfavorable report of Dr. Sirajudeen, Ph.D. student of Department of Poultry Science by the Major Adviser was submitted for further action. It was decided to inform the Director, CARI on the irresponsible action on the part of the student who has been deputed from Central Avian Research Institute (CARI) for Ph.D.

The meeting concluded at 11.00 AM

Decisions taken in the Academic Council meeting

Resolution 20.D.1

Whether the Academic Council would approve the revised Academic Performance Indicator (API) scores in recruitment and career advancement scheme promotions in universities /colleges as amended by the UGC.

Decision: Deferred to the next Academic Council after drafting the guidelines based on the new API Scores. The Director of Academics and Research has been entrusted to revise the guidelines after constituting a committee chaired by Director of Academics and Research and with Director of Clinics, Director of Farms and Deans as members.

Resolution 20.D.2

Whether the Academic Council would agree to the proposal of regaining accreditation of College of Dairy Science and Technology (CDST), Mannuthy, by earliest and earnest efforts.

Decision: Approved in principle. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor pointed out that the Faculty Dean, should ensure all facilities to be sufficient to get accredited.

Resolution 20.D.3

Whether the Academic Council would agree to the proposal of increasing internship allowance of B. Tech (Dairy Science and Technology) students at par with B.V.Sc & A.H. students.

Decision: It was decided to bring the matter to the next meeting of the Board of Management, as it is pertaining to allowances.

Resolution 20.D.4

Whether the Academic Council would agree to the proposal of appointment of permanent faculty in the Faculty of Dairy Science & Technology from the existing rank list of Assistant Professors and re-notifying for the remaining posts.

Decision: It was decided to bring the matter to the next meeting of the Board of Management.

Resolution 20.D.5

Whether the Academic Council would approve the modification suggested in the syllabus of M.Sc Biostatistics as approved by the 10th Board of Studies meeting of the Faculty of Veterinary Science.

Decision: Approved.

Resolution 20.D.6

Whether the Academic Council would approve the minutes of 11th Board of Studies, Faculty of Veterinary and Animal Sciences.

Decision: Approved.

Resolution 20.D.6a

Whether the Academic Council would approve the academic regulations for PG Diploma in

Clinical Sciences programmes in KVASU.

Decision: Approved in principle. It was suggested to bring uniform academic regulations for all new programmes.

Resolution 20.D.6b

Whether the Academic Council would approve the commencement of the course- Post Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Cardiology.

Decision: Approved.

Resolution 20.D.6c

Whether the Academic Council would approve the commencement of the course- Post Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Anaesthesia.

Decision: Approved.

Resolution 20.D.6d

Whether the Academic Council would approve the modification of syllabus of Diploma in Dairy Science.

Decision: Approved.

Resolution 20.D.7

Whether the Academic Council would approve the revision of special fees for Examinations, issue of certificates, Re-registration and remuneration fees from January 2017 onwards.

Decision: It was decided to bring the matter to the next meeting of Board of Management, for discussion.

Resolution 20.D.8

Whether Academic council resolves to establish a separate Directorate of Distance learning to co-ordinate distance learning activities of the University and to offer appropriate courses for the learners.

Decision: Approved, subjected to government approval.

Resolution 20.D.9

Whether Academic council resolves to establish finishing schools at Mannuthy and Pookode campuses of the University to improve employability of Students.

Decision: Approved.

Resolution 20.D.10

Whether the Academic Council would approve the amendments suggested for B.Sc. (Poultry Production and Business Management) under Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University with regard to work experience and project work on

1. Various aspects related to poultry production and management
2. Various locations and duration of internship and format of Project report
3. Allowance to students of B.Sc. PPBM

Decision: Approved in principle. It was decided to submit a project to Scheduled caste/ Scheduled tribe department to procure fund for student allowances.

Resolution 20.D.11

Whether the Academic Council would approve the amendments suggested for the academic Regulations for B.Sc. Poultry Production and Business Management Degree Programme with regard to study tour to students.

Decision: Approved. It was decided to seek available fund from the ICAR and Government.

Resolution 20.D.12

Whether the Academic Council would approve the amendments suggested for the academic Regulations with regard to number of seats for B. Sc. PPBM at CASM, Thiruvazhamkundu during the Academic year 2017-18.

Decision: It was decided to seek concurrence from the Government.

Resolution 20.D.13

Whether the Academic Council would approve the modified Academic Form No 30.

Decision: Approved. It was suggested to place the item number 20 after item number 17 in the form.

Resolution 20.D.14

Whether the Academic Council will approve to modify the period of checking the thesis for plagiarism, such that the thesis shall be dispatched to the external expert for evaluation only after complying with the stipulated norms of the plagiarism check of the University.

Decision: Approved. It was advised to undertake the plagiarism check before submitting the thesis for external evaluation.

Resolution 20.D.15

Whether the Academic Council would approve the enhancement of Ph.D seats in Department of Livestock Production Technology, CoVAS, Mannuthy to two and ratify the action of seat enhancement.

Decision: Approved.

Resolution 20.D.16

Whether the Academic Council will agree the issue of necessary guidelines by the University to avert the occurrence of Research Misconduct and insist that a hard copy of every published research paper be submitted to DAR, with the authentication of the HoD, so as to assure the veracity of the research.

Decision: Approved. The Prof(RC) will submit the documents of proof to the Director (Academics and Research) who will forward it to the Dean, Pookode, for examination of the matter and submission of a report.

Resolution 20.D.17

Whether the University would issue necessary guidelines to include the vernacular (Malayalam) version of the abstract too as part of the thesis with immediate effect and publish the "Thesis Abstract", containing both English and Malayalam version of the same.

Decision: Approved. It was decided to publish the thesis abstracts in simple Malayalam version in the University website. Also decided to release quarterly issues of compiled thesis abstracts to all line departments.

Resolution 20.D.18

Whether the Academic Council would ratify the action of exempting Dr Nija George (13-DVM-03), Ph.D scholar Dept. of Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Extension, CVAS, Mannuthy from registering non-credit courses during her Ph.D Programme.

Decision: Approved.

Resolution 20.D.19

Whether the Academic Council would approve the various actions, taken by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor under the clause "Removal of Difficulties".

Decision: Approved.

Resolution 20.E.1

Whether the Academic Council would approve the reservation of supernumerary seats to BVSc & AH to Diploma holders in Dairy Science.

Decision: Approved in principle. It was decided to reduce the reservation seats to two from the diploma holders of Dairy Science, Poultry Production and Lab Techniques to BVSc&AH programme. Also decided to fix a ceiling of 30,000 in Entrance Examination rank for this quota.

Resolution 20.E.2

Whether the Academic Council would resolve to revert back to the system where in the authority to set question paper for the course in a college for the internal assessment is vested with the Course teacher itself, to ensure that the goal and merits of the internal assessment are met leading to the betterment of learners and teacher and thus improve the academic environment of the University.

Decision: The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor suggested to ensure fairness in the internal evaluation of students by the teachers, which has to be evaluated by self as well as by students thoroughly. It was decided to continue the present system of setting question papers.

Resolution 20.E.3

Whether the Academic Council would resolve to approve the amendments in the selection procedure for PG and Ph.D from the Academic Year 2017-18.

Decision: Deferred.

Resolution 20.E.4

Whether the Academic Council would resolve to approve evaluation of Ph.D Thesis by experts concerned to the particular field of study who are available in the premier institutes inside the country only.

Decision: Deferred.

Resolution 20.E.5

Whether the Academic Council would agree to free usage of the facilities of the CIL by PG and PhD scholars.

Decision: Deferred.

//Approved//

17-01-2017



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VICE CHANCELLOR