MINUTES OF THE 21<sup>ST</sup> MEETING OF THE KERALA VETERINARY AND ANIMAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC COUNCIL IS ADVANCED AND WILL BE HELD AT THE CONFERENCE HALL, ANNEXE II, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM ON 27.03.2017 AT 4 P.M.

# 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. Sisilamma George, Dean, CVAS, Mannuthy.
- 5. Dr. K. Vijayakumar, Dean, CVAS Pookode.
- 6. Dr. G. GirishVarma, Dean, CDST, Mannuthy.
- 7. Dr. B. Ajithbabu, Special Officer, CASM, Thiruvazhamkunnu.
- 8. Prof. Dr. K.V Jayachandran, Ph.D, Director of Research, KUFOS
- Dr. P. T. A. Usha, Professor and Head, Dept. of Vet. Pharmacology and Toxicology, CVAS, Mannuthy.
- 10. Dr. B. Sunil, Professor and Head, Dept. of Veterinary Public health, CVAS, Mannuthy.
- 11. Dr. S Ramkumar, Professor, Dept. of Veterinary & Animal Husbandry Extension, Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Veterinary Education & Research(RIVER), Pondicherry.
- 12. Dr. A. P. Usha, Professor and Head, CPPR, Mannuthy and Director, Farms
- 13. Dr. A K Beena, Associate Professor, Dept. of Dairy Microbiology, CDST, Mannuthy
- Dr. S Sujith, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Vet. Pharmacology & Toxicology, CVAS, Mannuthy.
- 15. Dr. Shakir Arafath. K (16-MVP-17), CVAS, Pookode.

# Special invitees

- 1. Dr. K.M. Syam Mohan, Finance Officer.
- 2. Dr. V. Ramnath, Controller of Examinations.

The meeting started at 04.15 PM

The Director (Academics & Research) welcomed the members of the Academic Council. The minutes of the 20<sup>th</sup> Academic Council of KVASU held on 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2016 was discussed and approved.

Action taken report was approved with the correction in the decision of Item No.20.D.17 on page number 11. The decision to Item No.20.D.17 was corrected to "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".

# Decisions taken in the Academic Council meeting

### Resolution 21.C.1

- 1) Whether the Academic Council would ratify the action of granting temporary discontinuation to Sri. Prasanth C R(14-MVM-08), Smt. Rekha Mohan(14-MVM-15), Smt. Chithrima Seethal C R(14-MVM-02), Smt. Sudha C M(15-MVM-52), Smt. Sunitha Thomas (15-MVM-54) & Sri. Shyam S(14-MVP-16) by remitting aspecial caution deposit of Rs. 25,000/-
- 2) Whether the Academic Council would approve the modifications in the fee structure, regulations and agreement of M.V.Sc cum Residency programme.

#### Decision:

- 1) Ratified
- 2) A subcommittee was constituted with Registrar, Director of Academics and Research, Finance Officer and Faculty Deans for studying the modifications suggested and submit the report in the next Academic Council.

### Resolution 21.C.2

Whether the Academic Council would approve the restructured PG curricula and syllabi of Animal Biotechnology for M.V.Sc & M.Sc Programmes of Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, from 2017 admission onwards

Decision: Approved.

### Resolution 21.C.3

 Whether the Academic Council would approve the uploading of Ph.D/ M.V.Sc/M.Tech/M.S/M.Sc theses and dissertations submitted from 2011 onwards on to Krishikosh 

- 2. Whether the Academic Council would approve an embargo period of not more than 12 months in the case of fresh theses/dissertations
- 3. Whether the Academic Council would approve the Senior Librarian , KVASU to be in charge of the above initiative

**Decision:** Approved. And it was suggested that the thesis uploaded should be in read-only form.

### Resolution 21.C.4

- 1. Whether the Academic council would ratify the issue of III position certificate to Ms. Linu Eldho (13-MSVM-14), student of M.Sc (Biochemistry and Molecular Biology).
- 2. Whether the Academic council will approve the issue of position certificates up to the 10<sup>th</sup> position to the MSc/MS degree holders of the university, indicating the specific purpose for which the candidate is issued, after collecting the fee prescribed for it.

## Decision:

- 1. Ratified.
- 2. Approved.

## Resolution 21.C.5

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- 1. Whether the Academic Council would approve exempting Dr. Deepak Mathew (16-DVM-002), Dept. of Livestock Production Management ,CVAS, Mannuthy from registering the supporting course STAT 512 (Experimental Designs 2+1) during his Ph.D Programme.
- Whether the Academic Council would approve exempting Dr Rinsha Balan (16-DVM-008), Dept. of Veterinary Microbiology, CVAS, Mannuthy from registering Non-Credit courses and supporting course during her Ph.D Programme.

Decision: Approved.

#### Resolution 21.C.6

Whether the Academic Council would approve the proposal to include **Dr. Susheela Mathew**, Principal Scientist, CIFT, Kochi, **Dr. Manitha B. Nair**, Assistant Professor, Amrita Centre for Nano Sciences & Molecular Medicine, Kochi, **Dr. Nigel Caulkett**, Professor, Veterinary Diagnostic & Clinical Services, University of Calgary, Canada and **Dr.P.Indira Devi**, Professor, Dept. of Agriculture Economics, College of Horticulture, Vellanikkara, KAU as additional members in the advisory committees of Dr. Da Gama Ellette Fronia (16-MVP-003), Dr. Archana G. (16-MVP-007), Dr. Koundinya U (16-MVP-011) and Dr. Santhosh Kumar(16-MVM-052), M.V.Sc Scholars respectively.

Decision: Approved.

#### Resolution 21.C.7

Whether the Academic Council would ratify the action of having conducted the final Viva Voce examination of the M.V.Sc scholars, Dr.Yamini P Suresh (14-MVP-019) and Dr. Akhila V V (14-MVP-002) in the absence of their respective additional advisory committee members.

**Decision:** Approved. The additional advisory committee member shall attend either defence seminar or final viva voce of the student. Deans are authorised to make alternate arrangements in the absence of the additional advisory committee members for final Viva Voce examination of the respective students.

### Resolution 21.C.8

Whether the Academic Council would agree to the proposal of applying for AICTE accreditation for the College of Dairy Science and Technology, Mannuthy

**Decision**: Though a few members raised apprehensions, the proposal was agreed on a condition that it should be within the ICAR framework. Recommended to the Board of Management.

### Resolution 21.C.9

Whether the Academic Council would agree to the proposal of starting a new journal under the aegis of College of Dairy Science and Technology Mannuthy

**Decision**: Approved in Principle. A subcommittee consisting of Director of Academics and Research, Professor (RC), Dr. K.V. Jayachandran. Dr.S. Ramkumar and Faculty Dean is constituted to study the feasibility of running the journal.

### Resolution 21.C.10

Whether the Academic Council would agree to the proposal of students themselves being the major defender for approval of their synopses.

**Decision**: It was decided to obtain a report from the subcommittee constituted, comprising of Director of Academics and Research, Professor(RC), Dr. K.V. Jayachandran, Dr. S. Ramkumar and Faculty Deans.

## Resolution 21.C.11

Whether the Academic Council would approve permitting the students of 2015 admission B.Tech (Food Technology)

- to register the re-examination courses in current semester not exceeding the maximum credit load, and
- to appear for the additionally registered re-examination courses in coming semesters by adjusting the re-examination fee already remitted.
- 3. And not to cancel the grades/marks obtained for the failed courses until they appear for the re exams

**Decision**: Approved. Necessary correction to be made in IUMS to upload maximum credit every semester.

### Resolution 21.C.12

Whether the Academic Council would approve the merit and merit cum means scholarships for the students of B.Sc. (PP&BM).

**Decision:** Approved. Students of both colleges will be considered. The proposal has to be included in the State Plan fund for seeking funds.

# Resolution 21.C.13

Whether the Academic Council would approve the rate of Rs. 300 per day per student for providing study tour allowance for the students of B.Sc. (PP&BM).

Decision: Approved. Expenditure should met from the available state plan fund.

## Resolution 21.C.14

- 1. Whether the Academic Council would approve providing the course curriculum and study materials to Dr. B.S Chandel, for starting the above course at Sardarkrushinagar Dantiwada Agricultural University.
- 2. Whether the Academic Council would approve to permit Dr. Bibu John Kariyil, Assistant Professor in the panel of faculty of the above course for that University

**Decision:** Approved in principle, since the other University appears to accept our effort in the venture. The course curriculum and study materials will be given only with the permission to use them as copyright of the University. Recommended to the Board of Management.

### Resolution 21.C.15

Whether the Academic Council would approve the request of Kum. Akhila MR (12-BVM-102), B.V.Sc & AH student for re-examination of the VII Semester Internal theory & practical examination

Decision: Approved.

### Resolution 21.C.16

Whether Academic Council recommends for launching MBA in livestock agri Entrepreneurship with 20 seats for graduates.

**Decision:** Approved in principle. If candidates with KMAT score are not available, candidates who qualify in the entrance examination conducted by the University for admission need to be considered.

# Resolution 21.C.17

Whether the Academic Council would approve the above actions under the provision "Removal of Difficulties".

Decision: Approved.

#### Resolution 21.D.1

Whether the Academic Council would resolve to constitute a committee under the chairmanship of DAR/DE to prepare guidelines for streamlining of Technology Enabled Programmes (Distant learning courses), taking into consideration the aforementioned facts.

**Decision:** Approved. A committee with the Director of Entrepreneurship as chairman, Director of Academics and Research, Dean, CVAS, Pookode and Dr. B. Sunil as convener is constituted to look into the matter.

### Resolution 21.D.2

Whether the body would entrust the Director Academics and Research to constitute an expert committee so as to liaison with Animal Husbandry Department, to discuss, identify feasible research proposals and the funding for undertaking the same.

**Decision:** Approved and constituted a committee chaired by Director of Academics and Research and Director of Entrepreneurship, Director of Farms, Professor (RC) Dr.C.T Sathian, Head of Department, Dept. of Dairy Science, CVAS, Mannuthy and Dr. Ajith Babu. B, Special Officer, CASM, Thiruvazhamkunnu as members, for the above purpose.

#### Resolution 21.D.3

Whether the Academic Council would approve the above modifications in the Clause 22.4 of Academic Regulation for M.V.Sc/M.Tech and Ph.D. students.

Decision: Approved.

### OA.1

Whether the Academic Council would approve the procedure of printing of question papers at the respective institutions, whose soft copies are communicated electronically from office of the Controller of Examinations to the Head of institutions.

Decision: The agenda is withdrawn.

### OA.2

Whether the Academic Council would approve the amendments in the rules regarding PG and Ph.D

**Decision:** Approved 1 and 2 with the following modifications.

- 1. While preparing the rank list give 60% weightage for Entrance examination marks and 40% weightage for the score for eligibility qualification.
- 2. Cut off marks in the Entrance examination for sponsored PhD Candidates shall be 30% and for the others 40%.
- 3. Declined.

#### OA.3

Whether the Academic Council would approve the usage of central instrumentation facility to the PG and Ph.D. scholars

**Decision:** A subcommittee is constituted with Controller of Examination, Finance Officer and Dr. S Sujith, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Vet. Pharmacology & Toxicology, CVAS, Mannuthy to study the case and report in next Academic Council. Dean is empowered to provide additional research grant, if required.

### OA.4

Whether the Academic Council would approve the Academic performance indicator scores for promotion of teaching faculty as per the decisions of the 4<sup>th</sup> Academic Council.

Decision: Deferred.

The meeting came to a close at 07.00 PM

VICE CHANCELLOR

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