

Minutes of the Meeting of Academic Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Academic Council (AC) held on 29 April 2023 at 4:00 pm in online mode (Google Meet).

Following members were present for the meeting.

Principal Dr. Narendra P. Tendolkar	Principal and Chairman Academic Council
Principal Dr. Anil Patil	V. C. Nominee
Principal Dr. Gajanan Wader	V. C. Nominee
Principal Dr. Shrirang. R. Kandalgaonkar	Educationist
Principal Dr. Mahesh M. Bhagwat	Educationist
Mr. Girish D. Chitale	Industry Field
Mr. Prakash B. Divekar	Industry Field
Dr. Mahesh C. Burshe	Science Field
Principal Dr. Ajay M. Bhambre	V. C. Nominee
Dr. Pratap V. Naikwade	HoD Botany and member Secretary
Dr. Sagar T. Sankpal	HoD Chemistry
Mr. Channayya N. Hiremath	HoD Mathematics
Mr. Ajinkya S. Naphade	HoD Computer Science
Mr. Arvind M. Kulkarni	HoD Commerce
Mr. Diwakar Patankar	HoD English
Mrs. Snehlata S. Pujari	HoD Hindi
Dr. Varsha S. Phatak	HoD Marathi
Dr. Rahul V. Thoke	HoD Economics
Dr. Sargadr A. Patil	HoD Geography
Mr. Vikas P. Shrungare	HoD Sociology
Dr. Hemant V. Chavan	Teacher Representative
Mr. Uday B. Bhatye	Teacher Representative
Mr. Ajit J. Jadhav	Teacher Representative
Mr. Subhash S. Mayangade	Teacher Representative

The meeting of Academic Council was held on 29 April 2023 in online mode (Google Meet) at 4:00 pm onwards. At the commencement of the meeting Dr. Sardar Patil, Vice Principal, welcomed all the members of Academic Council and expressed his sense of gratitude for their presence. Further he said that, as Maharashtra govt. has taken a decision on NEP implementation from the upcoming academic year, today, in this meeting the council is expected to fix-up tentative credit framework pattern as per UGC and government guidelines. Dr Sardar requested Hon. Principal to chair the meeting and initiate the discussion on formal part of the meeting. Prin. Tendolkar observed that, as per Govt. Instructions (GR dated April 20,2023), all autonomous colleges are required to conduct meeting of various authorities, particularly academic council, on priority, on or before April 30,2023 and have to accept and adopt NEP 2020 with effect from academic year 2023-24. Hon. Principal said, the college has prepared tentative credit framework for all UG programs to put before academic council for discussion and its fine tuning. The tentative credit framework has been already communicated to all esteemed members for perusal.

Agenda No. 1 Reading and finalizing the minutes of the meeting, held on October 8,2022.

Hon. Prin. Nerendra Tenolkar observed that the minutes of the meeting have already been sent through email with the invitation and agenda of the meeting. He appealed all members to accept the minutes of the meeting held on Oct 08. 2022, if they agreed upon.

Prin. Dr. Anil Patil expressed satisfaction with the minutes of the last meeting and seconded the proposal to pass the resolution to finalize it.

Resolution 1: It is unanimously resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 8th Oct. 2022 be passed.

Proposed by: Dr. Nerendra P. Tendolkar

Seconded by: Prin. Dr. Anil Patil

Agenda No. 2. To make recommendations if any, for the initiation of new program/s of study from the coming Academic Year 2023-24.

Prin. Dr. Tendolkar said that, presently the college is offering PG programs Chemistry, Physics and Geography. Though the college has B.Com. program since inception, PG in Commerce is yet to start. After receiving feedback from stakeholders, Governing Body of the college decided to facilitate Masters program in Commerce, particularly 'Banking and Finance'. As per NEP 2020, unless the college has Masters program at place, college can't offer four year degree program in the subject concerned. And therefore certainly it is advisable to start M.Com program on priority, from June 2023. University of Mumbai has issued a letter stating that any program already approved by the university, autonomous colleges can have the privilege to start the same, he added. Dr Tendolkar appealed the members to approve M.Com. as new program to be initiated from the academic year 2023-24. Prin. Dr. Wader also told that as per NEP 2020 if college want to start 4 year degree program then they ought to have PG program, so it is very nice that the college has decided to start M.Com.

Resolution 2: It is unanimously resolved that the Academic Council hereby recommend for starting M.Com. in 'Banking and Finance' program from the coming academic year 2023-24.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman Dr. Nerendra P. Tendolkar

Seconded by: Prin. Dr. Gajanan Wader

Agenda No. 3. To make regulations regarding admissions to new program/s, if any.

Dr. Tendolkar also shared that college is offering B.Voc. Banking and Financial services program focusing mainly skill component. This B.Voc degree is also at par to B.Com degree and therefore is equivalent to any degree in commerce discipline. So students after completion of B.Voc. Banking and financial services would also be eligible for M.Com. along with regular B.Com. students. Syllabus would be prepared by Board of studies in commerce.

Resolution 3: It is unanimously resolved that graduates with 'B.Voc. Banking and Financial Services' are also eligible to take admission to M.Com.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman Dr. Nerendra P. Tendolkar

Seconded by: Prin. Dr. Anil Patil

Agenda No. 4. Advise Governing Body regarding adoption and implementation of New Education Policy 2020 with effect from Academic Year 2023 -2024.

Hon. Prin. Dr. Tendolkar told that the college has prepared tentative plan for implementation of NEP 2020 with effect from Academic Year 2023 -2024 as per Govt. circulars. The pattern was prepared considering 3 year, 4 year degree program. Six verticals like Major, minor, general elective, skill etc. As per govt. guidelines some programs will be of 3 years and some programs having PG programs will be of 4 years. Hon Principal also

appreciated rigorous efforts made by all teachers and board of study members for preparation of plan with various courses and credit distribution as per guidelines. Prin. Wader also told that plan is well organized and as per govt. recommendations. Further he told that it is challenging to prepare open elective basket as well as lecture time table. He also added that orientation of students and parents is very much required in deciding major/ Minor subjects. . In response Dr. Tendolkar told that some skill courses can be conducted in summer or winter vacation also. Some skill courses are progressive and some are non-progressive and choice will be given to students.

Dr. Anil Patil observed that , some guidelines are also on the way from the University. Further on he said framework prepared by the college is really worth appreciating, However some minor changes would be made at college level once university brings final draft. Dr. Mahesh Burshe in appreciation said that lot of efforts have been taken by the team for implementation of NEP and students will definitely get benefits from that. Certain courses can be offered with the help of local experts or in collaboration with other institutions/industry which will increase employability of the students. Prin. Dr. Mahesh Bhagwat also appreciated the NEP implementation plan prepared by the college.

Resolution 4: It is unanimously resolved to accept and adoption New Education Policy from academic year 2023-24. Credit framework prepared by the college for implementation of NEP is almost parallel to Government GR dated April 20,2023 and be approved.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman Dr. Nerendra P. Tendolkar

Seconded by: Dr. Mahesh Burshe

Agenda No. 5. Any other matter with the permission of the chair.

Hon Prin. Dr. Tendolkar observed that all the items on the agenda are covered and are discussed at length.

Vice-Principal Dr. Sardar Patil expressed sincere thanks to all respected members for their valuable presence and fruitful discussion.

The meeting ended at 5:00 pm.



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