

Acharya Institute of Management and Sciences

MINUTES OF THE 34th GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 2nd June 2023 from 11:00am at the AIMS Campus, Bangalore.

MEMBERS PRESENT :-

SL.No	Name	Designation
1.	Dr. Rajendra Prasad T	BU Nominee, Member of Academic Council
2.	Dr. PGK Nair	Member, Industrialist
3.	Dr. Swarnalatha Rao	Member, Professor - IT & Ex- Corporate
4.	Mr. Gopal Reddy	Member
5.	Dr. Priyanandan Reddy	Member
6.	Dr. Jayashree Nair	Member
7.	Dr. BM Ramamurthy	Member
8.	Dr. Kiran Reddy	Member Secretary

Dr. Kiran Reddy, Principal AIMS and Member Secretary of the Council, welcomed all the members to the 34th Governing Council Meeting of the Institute.

AGENDA

- 34.1 Introduction of the new University nominee & Institute nominee
- 34.2 Approval of Minutes of 33rd GC Meeting
- 34.3 Academic Programs
- 34.4 New Initiatives
- 34.5 Ratification of the new appointments and purchases 2022-23
- 34.6 Ratification of Budgets for 2023 - 24
- 34.7 Any other matter

The items on the agenda taken up for the discussion:

34.1 Introduction of the new University nominee & Institute nominee

Each of the members shared their brief profile with all the members of the council. Dr. Rajendra Kumar T, the new BU nominee and Dr. BM Ramamurthy – UG Principal, the new institute nominee to the council were introduced to the members and welcomed to the council.

Dr. Kiran Reddy, Principal, gave a brief introduction to the programs run by the Institute, the role of the Focus centers, major events conducted and the results & accolades of the Institute.

34.2 Approval of Minutes of 33rd GC Meeting

The minutes of the 33rd GC meeting held on 18.08.2022 was presented to the members for ratification. All members unanimously approved the same.

34.3 Academic Programs

Dr. Kiran Reddy informed members that applications were made to the University to a) introduce additional section for BCA Program to keep up with the demand for the same b) reduce intake of BHM Program by 60 as students were preferring 3 year course to 4 years degree course and demand was less for the 4-yr program c) Closure of BA – Bharatanatyam and BA – Psychology, Optional English and Journalism and d) BSc. – Genetics, Microbiology and Biochemistry Programs as there was less demand for the programs.

34.4 New Initiatives

Dr. Reddy elaborated on some of the new initiatives undertaken by the Institute, based on the recommendations of the SPC, for the new academic year and requested the members to ratify the budgets for the same.

- To Establish Smart Classrooms & Seminar Hall
- Refurbished existing Computer Centre to accommodate additional section of BCA.
- Procured 40 advanced systems for MCA/BCA Programs to be equipped for NEP batches.
- Basement renovation to accommodate New Seminar Hall, Innovation Cell and Studio.
- Constituted NEP Task Force
- Submission of EFMD application in June 2023

The members commended the initiatives and gave their suggestions.

34.5 Ratification of the new appointments and purchases 2022-23

All the new appointments of teaching, non-teaching and support staff and the major fixed asset purchases made in 2022-23 were presented to the members,

The appointments and purchases were ratified following discussions.

34.6 Ratification of Budgets for 2023 - 24

The institution budgets proposed for the next three years was presented to the council and approved by the members.

34.7 Any other matter

The discussions and recommendations made by the members during the meeting are briefed as follows:

- i. Dr. Rajendra Prasad T
 - a. Bring out publications after each conference and AIMS journal (AJR) may be published tri-annually or quarterly
 - b. Courses in Data Sciences may be introduced in the new campus
 - c. Give advertisements in newspapers for recruitment to socially reserved groups
- ii. Dr. Swarnalatha Rao

- a. Explore options for student projects in defence and related fields
 - b. Explore Corporate CSR funds for projects with organizations like Microsoft and IBM and establish Industry Academic partnership cell
 - c. Identify companies for funding labs in the Institute
 - d. Initiatives to be taken up to spread awareness of the rich heritage of our country and make efforts to attract tourists from other countries
 - e. BHM Program can take up initiatives to study nutrition value of millets and its significances and publish books on recipes using millets.
 - f. Make efforts to improve communication skills in IT students
 - g. When establishing smart classroom, procure systems where the soft content may be downloaded and saved to be shared later with students.
 - h. Make efforts to initiate NCC units
- iii. Dr. PGK Nair
- a. Mandate faculty refresher programs with industry
 - b. Ensure curriculum designers to interact with industry to understand their requirements
 - c. Student aspirations to be mapped from the 1st sem to develop roadmap as per industry guidelines
 - d. Yoga be made mandatory for all the programs
- iv. Dr. Priyanandan Reddy
- a. Thinking & design skills in students to be developed as it is the need of the hour.
 - b. AI and new age courses to be offered as certification programs to IT students.
 - c. All students to be given session on technological advances.
- v. Dr. Kiran Reddy
- a. Appointment of faculty and staff, there are difficulties in implementing the roster system
 - vacancy positions intimated to concerned cell in BU and social welfare departments.

34.8 Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be scheduled in the month of September / October 2023 after consulting with all the members. Dr. Kiran Reddy thanked all the members for their presence and inputs and concluded the meeting.

Dr. Meka Kiran Reddy
Member Secretary

Date : 3rd June 2023

Place: Bangalore