

**LNMI Institute of Information Technology, Jaipur**  
*(Deemed to be University)*

**Thirty first Meeting of the  
ACADEMIC COUNCIL  
(At 3.00 PM)**

**Date: October 16, 2012**

**Minutes**

Minutes of the 31<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Academic Council held on October 16, 2012.

The following were present:

1. Prof. S S Gokhale	-	In Chair
2. Prof. V Sinha	-	Member
3. Prof. M S Gaur	-	Member
4. Mr. Keshav Sharma	-	Member
5. Prof. Ravi Prakash Gorthi	-	Member
6. Prof. O P Katyal	-	Member
7. Prof. R Tomar	-	Member
8. Prof. Anupam Singh	-	Member
9. Mr. Kunal Sethi	-	Member
10. Mr. Apoorva Purwar	-	Member

The following members could not be present in the meeting and were granted leave of absence:

1) Prof. S K Gupta	-	Member
2) Prof. Ranjan Gangopadhyay	-	Member
3) Mr. A P Singh	-	Member
4) Dr. Soumitra Debnath	-	Member

At the outset the Chairman welcomed all those present and called the meeting to order.

Thereafter, agenda items were taken up for discussion.

# **The LNM Institute of Information Technology, Jaipur**

## **Agenda Item No. 1: Confirmation of the Minutes of 30<sup>th</sup> meeting held on July 10, 2012.**

The Academic Council acknowledged and placed on record the contributions made and guidance provided by Prof. R. Gangopadhyay in his capacity as Chairman, Academic Council. The council further clarified that a mention to this effect was made in the twenty ninth meeting held on July 10, 2012, but the same was inadvertently not reported in the minutes.

The Academic Council discussed the note pertaining to changes in the grading scheme, received from Prof. S K Gupta, dated October 08, 2012. It was brought to notice that no comments or dissent notes were received on the circulated note to faculty, dated September 13, 2012.

The Academic Council took the view that the proposed grading scheme has a wide spread and is in sync with grading pattern of other IITs.

Further, as the necessary clarifications were obtained and consensus arrived at in faculty group, the Academic Council approved the revised grading scheme, as itemized in the thirteenth meeting. In this regard, the Academic Council ruled that Y12 batch students will be covered under the revised grading system from the beginning itself. While no changes will be made to the grades, SPI or CPIs of previous semesters for Y10 and Y11 batch, the new grading system will be used for them in current and the future semesters. Necessary changes to this effect, in the grade report card, may be made accordingly.

The revised grading scheme, as approved by the Academic Council, is placed as Annexure-I.

Subject to incorporation of the above, the Academic Council confirmed the minutes, as circulated.

## **Agenda Item No. 2: Report on action taken on the decisions of the 30<sup>th</sup> meeting held on August 14, 2012 and earlier meetings of the Academic Council.**

The Academic Council noted the delay in formulating the proposal for inter-disciplinary programme with B. Sc. Pass candidates as intake and desired that this exercise be completed in a time bound manner. While noting the action taken with respect of faculty training, it was brought

out that two of our faculty members attended induction programme at IIT Madras and performed extremely well. Further, other proactive measures have been initiated in this regard. Also, in-house full time English Teaching Programme has been put in place. In this regard, a tie-up with MNIT, Jaipur might be reached in the first week of December, 2012 and getting access to NKN, too, is being explored. A proposal to incorporate a term paper and presentation during 6<sup>th</sup>/ 7<sup>th</sup> semester is under consideration.

The Academic Council further noted that NSS/NSO programmes have started, as planned. With added sports infrastructure, new sports courses, such as YOGA have been introduced. However, the Academic Council noted that NCC has remained a non-starter.

**Agenda Item No. 3 : Item for ratification**

The Academic Council ratified the decision to recommend to Governing Council for award of M. S. (By Research) in CCE branch to Ms. Upma Rai and Ms. Shweta Mishra.

**Agenda Item No. 4: To Approve the Academic Calendar for the year 2013.**

The Academic Council, having noted that separate date for course evaluation and registration have been provided for in the proposed calendar, approved the Academic Calendar for the Year 2013. The council was apprised that Institute's working could switch over to five days week in due course. The Council desired that Institute dairies and calendars for the year 2013 be got printed accordingly.

Further, the council ruled that class time-table be got finalized before the registration date (19-21, November 2012) for next semester courses and the details be worked out in advance.

The Academic Calendar, as approved by the Academic Council, is placed as Annexure-II.

**Agenda Item No. 5 : To consider the options for December 2009 batch of students.**

The Academic Council noted that many of the Y09 December batch students have already done summer term courses. However, the Summer Term (s) may not be recognized as equivalent to a



semester. Moreover, Government agencies insist upon eight semesters B. Tech degree programme.

In the light of the above, the Academic Council suggested that such students may go for value addition by taking recourse to one of the following measures that would simultaneously bridge the time gap:

- i) B. Tech (Hons.) Programme in eight semesters.
- ii) Internship in Industry / IITs in July –December, 2013.
- iii) Dual Degree Programme up to May 2014.

The Institute may extend necessary help to the students to secure internship but cannot assure the same. It was also agreed that in general, if any student is selected for internship or semester exchange, the Institute may relax the CPI criteria  $\geq 8.0$ , applicable in such cases. On case by case basis.

**Agenda Item No. 6:** To ratify the decision to award Ph. D. degree to Mr. Vijay S. Chourasia, Roll No. Y09PG909.

The Council ratified the approval accorded by the Chairman, Academic Council to recommend to Governing Council for award of Ph. D. degree to Mr. Vijay S. Chaourasia.

**Agenda Item No. 7:** Any other item with the permission of Chair

**Proposed new courses.**

The Academic Council held preliminary discussion on introducing new undergraduate / post graduate courses in the coming semesters. The Chairman shared the views of the Governing Council in this regard. Some of the important courses / topics that come up in focus were as follows:

- i) Mechatronics

The Academic Council held the view that for the course(s) in Mechatronics, the Institute already has 60% of the academic resources required from CSE and ECE, and the balance 40% of the resources, having Mechanical Engineering Content, may have to be sourced. The Chairman added that Mechatronics acquires significance, because of the likely requirement of skilled workforce that may arise due to the mega project work to be started in near future on Delhi-Mumbai Industrial corridor (DMIC) by the Central Government, in partnership with state Governments, 39% of which will pass through the State of Rajasthan.

The Chairman apprised that mapping of the Mechatronics courses with various other places, such as Bangkok, Pakistan and Australia, have been done and teaching material from Singapore could be sourced. Costing of the program as well as space requirement may have to be worked out.

Arising out of the discussion, the Chairman expressed the view that on addition of the Mechatronics programme the break-up of undergraduate programme could be as under:

CSE – 90

ECE – 90

CCE – 90


Mechatronics – 60


The department of CSE and ECE will offer PG specializations as below:

- i) Mobile Communication (ECE)
- ii) Micro Electronics (ECE)
- iii) Software Engineering (CSE)
- iv) Data Analytics (CSE)

Concerned department will detail out the syllabus and present them in the next Academic Council meeting.

There being no other item on the agenda, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

  
Bijoy Jha  
(Registrar)

Approved  
  
(Chairman, Academic Council)

**Agenda Item No. 6: Review of the Grading Systems for UG and PG programmes.**

A change in the Grading System was proposed and discussed in the meeting. Keeping in view the prevalent grading system in other good institutions across the country, it was felt that institute's existing Grading System may need appropriate revision. Subsequently, a revised Grading System was circulated to all faculty members, as part of the updated UG Manual and no objections were received on the Grading System. The concept of revised Grading System, as arrived at and included in the UG Manual, are appended, as under:

**Letter Grade and their Numerical Equivalents**

TWO grading systems will evaluate the performance of students in each course, OLD grading system is valid till 2011 batch and has six letter grades. These letter grades and their numerical equivalents on a 10-point scale are given below:

<b>Letter Grade</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>
Numerical Equivalents:	10	8	6	4	2	0

NEW Grading system will be valid for 2012 batch onwards and has eight letter grades. These letter grades and their numerical equivalents on a 10-point scale are given below:

<b>Letter Grade</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>AB</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>BC</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>CD</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>F</b>
Numerical Equivalents:	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	0

The minimum graduation CPI will be 5.0 corresponding to the grade CD in the new grading system. At the end of the semester, the Instructor-in-Charge of a course will examine the relative performance of students registered in the course, as per the evaluation strategy announced at the beginning of the semester, and will award one of the six/eight letter grades to each student, that he/she deserves.



## Academic Calendar - 2013

Sl. No.	Event	Even Semester (2012-13, 2nd Semester)		Odd Semester (2013-14, 1st Semester)	
		Date	Day	Date	Day
1	Orientation Programme	---	---	26-Jul-13 to 27-Jul-13	Friday-Saturday
2	Enrollment	29-Dec-12	Saturday	29-Jul-13	Monday
3	Classes Commence	31-Dec-12	Monday	31-Jul-13	Wednesday
4	Late Registration	5-Jan-13	Saturday	3-Aug-13	Saturday
5	Add / Drop courses	7-Jan-13	Monday	6-Aug-13	Tuesday
6	Conversion of 'I' grades	14-Jan-13	Monday	16-Aug-13	Friday
7	Authentication of Grades	31-Jan-13	Thursday	30-Aug-13	Friday
8	Mid Semester Exam	25-Feb-13 to 2-March-13	Monday - Saturday	23-Sep-13 to 28-Sep-13	Monday - Saturday
9	Mid Term Recess	3-March-13 to 10 March-13	Sunday-Sunday	29-Sep-13 to 6-Oct-13	Sunday-Sunday
10	Registration	15-Apr-13 to 18-Apr-13	Monday-Thursday	11-Nov-13 to 14-Nov-13	Monday-Thursday
11	Last Date for Submission of Documents for First Year	---	---	31-Oct-13	Thursday
12	Feedback Collection	08-Apr-13 to 13-Apr-13	Monday - Saturday	04-Nov-13 to 09-Nov-13	Monday - Saturday
13	End Semester Exam.	29-Apr-13 to 4-May-13	Monday - Saturday	25-Nov-13 to 2-Dec-13	Monday - Monday
14	Last Date of Grade Submission	13-May-13	Monday	9-Dec-13	Monday

- Summer Term will be from 20-May-13 to 14-Jul-13.  
 ➤ Summer Vacation will be from 5-May-13 to 21-Jul-13.