



BMS COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING, BANGALORE-19

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MINUTES | ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING # 07 | 11.07.2014

MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 11.07.2014 AT 3.00 PM IN THE TRAINING HALL OF THE PLACEMENT CENTER, SPORTS COMPLEX, BMSCE

Members Present:

1	Dr.K.Mallikharjuna Babu	Chairman
2	Dr.K.Rajanikanth	Member
3	Dr.Ajit Kalgahatgi	Member
4	Dr.M.H.Kori	Member
5	Sri.C.P.Ravikumar	Member
6	Sri.Aravind Srinivas	Member
7	Dr.Vinod C. Aralimatti	Member
8	Dr.S.Muralidhara	Member
9	Dr.K.Guruprasad	Member
10	Dr.DSeshachalam	Member
11	Dr.K.J.Rathan Raj	Member
12	Prof. K.R.Madhu Chand	Member
13	Dr.H.S. Guruprasad	Member
14	Dr.B. Kanmani	Member
15	Dr. Narasimha Rao K.	Member
16	Dr.H.N.Suma	Member
17	Dr.SamitaMaitra	Member
18	Dr.SavithriBhat	Rep Member
19	Dr.T.S.Pranesha	Member
20	Dr.Y. Chandrasekhar Reddy	Member
21	Dr.S.Jayanthi	Member
22	Dr.L. Venkatesha	Member
23	Sri.C.K.ChandraBabu	Member
24	Dr.RavishankarDeekshit	Member-Secretary

Leave of Absence granted to:

1	Dr.NavakanthaBhat	Member
2	Dr.T. Srinivas	Member
3	Dr.Gopal Mugeraya	Member
4	Sri.Shivakumar	Member
5	Dr.Vijaya Kumar	Member
6	Dr.Gowrishankar	Member
7	Dr.G.N.Sekhar	Invitee
8	Dr.R.V.Ranganath	Invitee
9	Dr.B.V.Ravishankar	Invitee
10	Sri. Bhagawan Singh	Member

At the outset, the Principal extended a hearty welcome to all the members/invitees to the seventh meeting of the Academic Council. The Principal requested the members to join for a group picture.

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The Principal then brought the following information to the attention of the members:

1. Dr.RavishankarDeekshit, Professor &Head, Department of Electrical & Electronics Engineering has assumed charge as Dean, Academics in place of Dr.R.V.Ranganath, Professor & Head, Department of Civil Engineering who has been working on deputation as Principal of BMS Institute of Technology, Yelahanka, Bangalore.
2. The following change of Headship were prescribed due to administrative reasons:
 - Dr.S.Muralidhara has assumed charge as Head of the Department of Civil Engineering since January 2014in place of Dr.R.V.Ranganath
 - Dr.S.Jayanthi has assumed charge asHead of the Department of Mathematics since January 2014in place of Dr.G.N.Sekhar.
 - Dr.K.J.Rathan Raj has assumed charge as Head of the Department of Industrial Engineering & Management since March 2014in place of Dr.B.Ravishankar.
 - Dr.S.Gowrishankar was placed of Head of the Department of Information Science & Engineering and Dr.H.S.Guruprasad was placed as Head of the Department of Computer Science & Engineering during May 2014

The council welcomed the new members and placed on record its appreciation for the service rendered by the outgoing members.

Agenda Item No.1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the Sixth AC Meeting held on 24.05.2013

The minutes of the Sixthmeeting of the Academic Council held on 24.05.2013 were confirmed.

Agenda Item No.2: Action taken report on the decisions in Sixth AC meeting held on 24.05.2013

The Council noted the Action taken report on its decision in the previous meeting held on 24.05.2013.

1. The Dean-Academic informed that during the alumni meet the feedback of alumni on curriculum is gathered. The feedback is duly considered for appropriate inclusions in the curriculum.



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2. The Principal brought to the notice of the members that the Management has been stressing the need to develop a strong alumni network and hence established an exclusive BMSCE Alumni Association. The Association is making efforts to create a corpus fund to the tune of rupees ten crores in the near future.

Suggestion: Sri. Arvind Srinivas opined that alumni relations could be further strengthened with the usage of communication modes such as Twitter, LinkedIn etc. The Principal informed online network medium including Twitter and LinkedIn and others are being extensively used to connect BMSCE alumni with their alma-mater.

3. The Principal informed the council that an Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) has been created to meet the following objectives:
 - a) To develop a system for conscious, consistent and catalytic action to improve the academic and administrative performance of the institution.
 - b) To promote measures for institutional functioning towards quality enhancement through internalization of quality culture and institutionalization of best practices.

Dr. K. R. Suresh, Professor, Dept of Civil Engineering has been nominated as its Director.

4. The Principal informed the members regarding the proposal to have an Alumni and Industry Advisory Board for each department to provide input on academic matters.
5. The Principal appraised the Council on his visit to Indianapolis, USA (15-18 June, 2014) to attend the Annual Conference ASEE (American Society for Engineering Education) and other meetings had on the sidelines of the visit.

The Council appreciated the initiatives taken.

Agenda Item No.3: A brief report on the Academic Activities for the Period from May 2013 – June 2014

The report on the academic activities of the Institution for the period from May 2013 – June 2014 presented by the Principal was well received and appreciated by the Council (**Annexure I**). While on the subject, the Principal informed the members for the period from previous AC meeting a total of 55 research scholars have registered for the PHD in various BMS research centres.



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While on the subject, the following opinions were shared:

1. The Council was highly appreciative of the unique distinction achieved by BMSCE in being one the first Institutions in India identified by National Board of Accreditation for evaluation under Tier-I NBA Accreditation Washington accord. The Council also acknowledged the contribution of all the stakeholders in this regard.
2. The Heads of the Departments presented a brief report of their respective departments highlighting the achievements of the faculty and students in academic and research activities for the period subsequent to the previous academic council meeting.
3. The Council suggested inviting the student representatives to the Meetings of the Academic Council with a view to seek their views on related issues.
4. Dr.Kori suggested having more number of joint collaborative projects in select areas of mutual interest involving the Basic Science Departments.
5. The Principal informed the members that the following International conferences are proposed to be conducted during 2015 to commemorate seven decades of Journey of BMSCE:
 - a) International Conference on Transformations in Engineering Education (ICTIEE) - Indo US Collaboration for Engineering Education (IUCEE).
 - b) India Platform
 - c) Micro-perspectives for Decentralized Energy Supply in association with Technische Universitat Berlin (Centre of Technology and Society)
 - d) IACC 2015 in association with IEEE, Bangalore
 - e) Telecommunication Engineering Education
 - f) Technologies for preventive health care
 - g) Business Ecosystem – Issues, Challenges and Opportunities

The Principal personally extended invitation to the Members of the Council to provide advice/necessary support to make the event successful.

Agenda Item No.4: Details of the BOS Meetings held as on Date

The details of BOS meetings held as on date were noted (**Annexure II**)

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Agenda Item No.5: Details of the BOE Meetings held as on Date

The details of BOE meetings held as on date were noted (**Annexure III**)

Agenda Item No.6: Curriculum - Overview and Innovations

The Council noted the guidelines adopted for framing /revision of curriculum (Academic Year 2014-15 onwards). While on the subject, Dr.Rajinikanth suggested to explore the possibility of students gaining extra credits for undertaking innovative projects during vacation either in the college or in leading institutions both in India and even abroad. This, he hoped would encourage bright students to take up research endeavors/projects during vacation. This would also help the students to develop high final quality projects.

Agenda Item No.7: Approval of First Year Curriculum

The Dean, Academics briefed the members regarding some of the important changes that have been proposed in the first year Curriculum (2014-15).

The Council after detailed discussions, approved the revision with specific reference to the following points:

1. The Question paper pattern need not be provided in the syllabus.
2. Uniformity in terms of units (five units) to be maintained in all first year courses. All Courses should have LTPS format.
3. The co-labs to be brought down to 2 or 3 creative experiments which would be value add to the classroom delivery.
4. The evaluation pattern for all the courses shall be decided/worked out through the respective BOS/BOE.
5. For the course titled "Biology for Engineers", the Council was appraised of the relevance of the various curricular components of the syllabus to the different branches as shown below.
 - a. Unit I - Electrical Cluster, Chemical & Biotechnology
 - b. Unit II - CS , IS and Biotechnology
 - c. Unity III - All branches of Engg.
 - d. Unit IV - ME, IM and Civil
 - e. Unit V - All branches of Engg.

The council noted and appreciated the same.

The approved First Year Curriculum for the Academic Year 2014-15 is provided **in Annexure IV**



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Agenda Item No.8: Rules & Regulations for B.E. & B.Arch. programmes (Amended | August 2014)

The Council approved the draft Rules and Regulations for B.E. and B.Arch programmes (Amended | August 2014) with modifications as provided in **Annexure V**

The approved Rules and Regulations for B.E. and B.Arch programmes (Amended | August 2014) is provided in **Annexure VI**

Agenda Item No.9: Result Analysis (2009-2013 batch)

The Council suggested making analysis of the total number of students admitted (2009) against the number of student passed out in each of the programmes (2013). A similar exercise was suggested for the students directly admitted to their third semester under lateral entry scheme.

Agenda Item No.10: Academic Calendar for the year 2014-15

The academic calendar for the year 2014-15 was approved by the Council. The Council authorized the Principal to make necessary changes in the calendar if need be. The approved Calendar of Events for the Academic Year 2014-15 is provided in **Annexure VII**.

Agenda Item No.11: Ratification of academic/administrative issues

The academic issues requiring review and ratification by the Council were placed before the Council. The subject matter and decision of the Council are provided in the form of a table at **Annexure VIII**.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

Dean(Academic) &
Member Secretary of AC

PRINCIPAL &
Chairman of AC