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Minutes of the 19th Meeting of the Executive Council

19th meeting of the Executive Council of Doon University was held on 24th March, 2014 in the Office of the Vice Chancellor under the Chairmanship of Prof. V. K. Jain, Vice-Chancellor.

Following were present in the meeting:-

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| 1- Prof. V. K. Jain | Vice Chancellor and Chairman, Executive Council |
| 2- Prof. I. S. Chauhan | Ex. Vice Chancellor, M.P. Bhoj Open University, Bhopal, Member |
| 3- Dr. Shekhar Raha | Trustee, Rajeev Gandhi Foundation, Dehradun, Member |
| 4- Mr R. C. Agrawal | Representative of Principal Secretary, Finance, Govt. of Uttarakhand |
| 5- Mr. P.A. Nazareth | Former Ambassador and Trusty Sarvodaya International Trust
Bengaluru, Member |
| 6- Shri B. C. Tewari | Finance Controller (Invitee) |
| 7- Dr. B. M. Harbola | Registrar and Member Secretary, Executive Council |

Prof. R. K. Kale has expressed his inability to attend the meeting due to his prior commitments, whereas no information has been received from Prof. S. Parsuraman, Director Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai and Shri Sudhir Vasudeva, Chairman, ONGC for attending the meeting.

At the outset the Vice Chancellor welcomed and introduced the members and extended a special welcome to Mr P.A. Nazareth on assuming responsibility as a new member of the Executive Council and attending the meeting first time. The Vice Chancellor also welcomed the nomination of Dr. Sekhar Raha for second term as the member of the Executive Council and appreciated the valuable support and contribution of the members in the process of evolution of the University as a Centre of Excellence. Thereafter, the action taken report on the resolutions of the 18th Executive Council meeting was presented and the agenda items were taken up one by one for discussion.

Item 2014:19:02 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 18th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 9th September 2013

Since no observations/comments have been received the Executive Council confirmed the minutes of the 18th meeting of the Executive Council.

Item 2014:19:03 Review of action taken on the resolutions of 18th Meeting of the Executive Council.

Presenting the action taken report the Vice Chancellor made a specific mention of the efforts and initiatives of the University for creation of effective learning environment including the facilities such as engagement of

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two medical doctors, medical insurance of the students, expansion of internet- WI-FI facility, Playground and sports facilities, organization of seminars, conferences, Science Congress, lectures of eminent resource persons to expose the students to the latest knowledge and information. The students have the opportunity to express their needs, problems and difficulties. However, the students are demanding to establish their representative body. The 18th Executive Council has approved to constitute such student council that gives representation to students on the basis of academic and co-curricular achievements. The Executive Council also constituted a Committee under the Chairpersonship of Prof I.S. Chauhan for the formulation of clear and specific rules and regulations before constitution of such council. Prof I.S. Chauhan informed that he is working on the rules and regulations and shall submit the draft at the earliest.

Item 2014:19:04

To consider recommendations of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Librarian.

The Chairperson presented the recommendations of the Selection Committee held on 21st December, 2013. The Executive Council considered and approved following candidates on order of merit as recommended by the Selection Committee for the appointment to the one SC reserved post of Assistant Librarian:

1. Mr Ashish Kumar Dhanger
2. Mr Ashwini Kumar

The Executive Council also approved the recommendation of the Selection Committee to protect the pay of Mr Ashish Kumar Dhanger. The Executive Council suggested that in view of the model code of conduct a formal approval from the Chief Election Officer be obtained before issuing appointment letter.

Item 2014:19:05

To consider establishment of School of Design and School of Technology.

Having considered the agenda the Executive Council approved establishment of School of Design and School of Technology and introduction of two new academic programmes; 2 years M.A. Design in Communication with specialization in Film Design and Graphic Design and Integrated Masters Programme in Computer Application (MCA) under the respective Schools.

Item 2014:19:06

To seek the directions of the Executive Council on the letter of the State Government on the issue of appointment of Dr S. S. Suthar, Associate Professor, SENR.

The Chairperson presented the context and background information on the issue including the resolution of the 18th Executive Council. Having considered the issue the Executive Council resolved to constitute the following committee to investigate into the matter and submit its report:

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1. Prof. I. S. Chauhan, EC Member - Chairperson
2. One UGC official not below the rank of Joint Secretary- Member
3. Registrar, Doon University – Nodal Officer

Item 2014:19:07 **To consider representation of Dr Prachi Pathak, Assistant Professor, SoM for the grant of five Ph.D. increments.**

Having considered the agenda the Executive Council resolved that the issue/ matter is an administrative matter, hence, should be considered by the University administration.

Item 2014:19:08 **To engage Adjunct Faculty/Visiting Professors in the Department of Economics, SoSS.**

The Executive Council approved engagement of Dr T.S. Papola and Prof. Ruchi Badola as Adjunct faculty in the Department of Economics, School of Social Sciences.

Item 2014:19:09 **To consider and adopt Uttarakhand Government Order with regard to allowing University official for the use of own self driven vehicle.**

This item was earlier considered in the meeting of the Finance Committee. The Executive Council agreed with the resolution of the Finance Committee to continue the existing system of hiring of vehicles and did not agree with the idea of allowing University officials for the use of own self driven vehicle.

Item 2014:19:10 **To consider and approve the proposal for purchase of a bus for the University.**

This item was earlier considered in the meeting of the Finance Committee. The Executive Council agreed with the resolution of the Finance Committee for the purchase of a 32/36 seater high quality deluxe bus and desired that clear and specific norms be put in place for the use of the bus and meeting its operational expenses.

The EC also resolved that the University should enhance facilities, such as more AC rooms, tea and coffee facility in the Guest House etc.

Item 2014:19:11 **To modify the fee structure of the University from the academic session 2014-15.**

This item was earlier considered in the meeting of the Finance Committee. The Executive Council agreed with the resolution of the Finance Committee to modify the fee structure of the University as follows:

1. A new fee of Rs 100/- will be charged from every student at the time of admission as University Magazine fee every year.

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2. A new fee of Rs 750/ will be charged at the time of admission for printing and issuance of University Degree.

The Executive Council agreed with the decision of the Finance Committee to continue charging the professional exposure fee as per the existing practice. The Executive Council agreed with the decision of the Finance Committee not to publish the details of sub heads under the other fee in the University Prospectus from the academic session 2014-15.

Item 2014:19:12 To approve fee structure for new academic programmes to be introduced from the Academic Session 2014-15.

This item was earlier considered in the meeting of the Finance Committee. The Executive Council agreed with the decision of the Finance Committee for approving the proposed fee structure for new academic programmes to be introduced from the academic session 2014-15 as follows:

S.n.	School	Proposed Programme	Duration	Seats	Tuition Fee Per Semester	Other fee Per Semester	Mode
1.	School of Technology	M.A Integrated in Computer Application (MCA)	5 years	40	37000		Self Financed
2	School of Design	M.A. Design in Communication	2 years	30	37000		Self Financed
3	School of Language	M. A. Integrated Programme in Arabic	5 years	25	10,000	7000	Regular/ Self Financed
		M. A. Integrated Programme in French	5 year	25	10,000	7000	Regular
		M.A. English	2 years	25	10,000	7000	Regular
4	School of Social Sciences	M.A. in Social Anthropology	2 years	25	10,000	7000	Regular
5	School of Language	Certificate Course in Japanese Language	1 year	-	7500		
6	School of Environment and Natural Resources	P.G. Diploma Programme in Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)	1 year	20	37000		Self Financed
7	School of Management	PG Diploma in Health and Hospital Management	1 year	35	37000		Self Financed
8	School of Social Sciences	M.Phil Programme in Economics	2 years	3-5	10000	5000	Regular

Item 2014:19:13 To consider and approve medical policy for the University staff.

This item was earlier considered in the meeting of the Finance Committee. The Executive Council agreed with the resolution of the Finance Committee to provide for medical insurance from the insurance companies and make a comparative analysis of such medical insurance schemes covering the employee, spouse, dependents and cost and present it for the consideration of the Executive Council.

Item 2014:19:14 To report cancellation of Admission of Ms Swati Panwar, M. A. Economics, School of Social Sciences and to consider her representation for resuming her admission.

Having gone through the agenda the Executive Council sustained the decision of cancellation of admission of Ms Swati Panwar. It was resolved that the fee deposited by Ms Swati Panwar be returned back to her.

Item 2014:19:15 Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

Item 2014:19:15:1 To consider representation of Dr Sudhanshu Joshi, Assistant Professor, SoM for the grant of three Ph.D. increments.

Having considered the agenda the Executive Council resolved that the issue/matter is an administrative matter, hence, should be considered by the University administration.

Item 2014:19:15:2 To consider revision of pay of Registrar, Deputy Registrar and Assistant Registrar as per UGC provision.

There was considerable amount of discussion on the issue. Mr Ramesh Agrawal was of the view that the post of Registrar in State Universities in Uttarakhand is lower than the post of Registrar in Central Universities/Universities funded by UGC in terms of eligibility, qualifications, and career progression. Except the Registrars working on deputation in some Universities, most of the staff do not fulfill the qualifications and are from clerical background. Hence, such staff can not be considered for UGC revised pay scales. The Chairperson informed that in view of the shortage of qualified Registrars, Deputy Registrars and Assistant Registrars in the Universities HE the Chancellor has authorized the Vice Chancellor to give additional charge of these positions to the teaching staff. However, in view of the increasing emphasis on academic performance indicator and career advancement it is a challenge for a teacher to do justification with dual responsibility and manage time for the enormous administrative and academic responsibilities. Hence separate cadre of administrative staff is highly desirable.

Having considered the various viewpoints the Executive Council in principle agreed with the proposal for the grant of revised UGC pay scales provided the incumbent Registrars, Deputy Registrar and Assistant Registrar fulfill the eligibility/qualifications as per UGC regulations and accordingly send the reply to the letter received from the Government.

Item 2014:19:15:3 To consider and approve engagement of Dr. Sudhanshu Joshi, Assistant Professor, SoM as Adjunct Faculty in the School of Technology.

Having gone through the agenda the Executive Council approved engagement of Dr. Sudhanshu Joshi, Assistant Professor, SoM as Adjunct faculty in the School of Technology.

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Item 2014:19:15:4 To consider the proposal for change in the name of Doon University into Mahrishi Valmiki Doon University.

The Chairperson informed that the University has received a communication from the State Government to furnish report/proposal with regard to change in the name of the University to Maharishi Valmiki Doon University as was decided in the meeting of the Uttarakhand Cabinet on 4th March 2014. He also informed the members that consequent to the decision of the Cabinet the students have been continuously protesting against this the decision. They have boycotted classes, and restricted the entry of administrative staff for several days in the month of March. The students have also presented a memorandum to the Government to requesting them not to change the name of the University. The E.C. Members said that they are fully aware of these developments since the students have sent e-mail communication to them as well. The E.C. members mentioned that the 17th meeting of the Executive Council had recommended to transform Doon University into a Central University and accordingly to send a proposal to the Government of India in this regard. This process is yet to complete. The Executive Council also took note of model code of conduct due to the declaration of Parliamentary Elections in April/May 2014.

Having considered the context, prevailing scenario and other associated factors the Executive Council resolved that changing the name of the University is a sensitive policy matter. It would not be appropriate to send any comments/proposal due to the model code of conduct.

Item 2014:19:15:5 To consider and approve amendments in Service Rules of the University.

Having considered the details presented on the agenda item the Executive Council approved, in principle the proposed amendments with the directions that the proposed eligibilities for the post of Deputy Registrar and Personal Assistant should be as per the State Government regulations.

Item 2014:19:15:6 To consider and approve the list of subject experts for the selection-interview for the faculty positions for Department of Social Anthropology, Department of Psychology, Department of Social Work, Department of English, Department of French and Public Administration.

The Executive Council considered and approved the list of subject Experts as proposed.

Item 2014:19:15:7 To consider and approve the Draft Annual Report for the year 2012-13 of Doon University

The Chairperson presented in brief the contents of the Annual Report for the year 2012-13 including the facts and achievements made in the academic, research field, new initiatives with regard to establishment of new Schools and academic programmes, projects and the issues and problems.



The Executive Council appreciated that evolution, growth and development particularly the academic environment, research projects and infrastructure development and approved the draft annual report for the year 2012-13 of Doon University.

Mr P.A. Nazareth obtained detail information about the research projects, Schools and programmes, particularly the foreign language programmes including the number of foreign students in the University. He was delighted to know about the various foreign language programmes being taught in the University and offered to support/facilitate admission of foreign students in the University under the ICCR scheme of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India. He also expressed his willingness to deliver some lectures on Gandhian Philosophy, work, literature and international affairs during his visits to attend meetings in Doon University. Prof. I. S. Chauhan also agreed to deliver lectures on Fiji, international politics etc. and contemporary issues.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.



(Dr B. M. Harbola)
Registrar &
Member Secretary

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