# RAJAGIRI COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES (AUTONOMOUS)

Minutes of the third meeting of the second Academic Council

### ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING

Date: August 29th 2017, Tuesday 3.00 pm

Venue: Board Room, RBS, Rajagiri Valley, Kakkanad

## Agenda for the third meeting of the second Academic Council at 3.00 pm on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2017, Tuesday, at RBS Board Room, Kakkanad, Kochi.

Silent Prayer

- 1. Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting held on 06<sup>th</sup> April, 2017.
- 2. Reporting.
- 3. Approval of the minutes of Board of Studies held on 25-08-2017.
  - 3.1 Department of Social Work
  - 3.2 Department of Commerce revised syllabus of BCom (Model II Vocational: Finance & Taxation)
- 4. Re-admission of MSW and MCA students.
- 5. Revised Syllabi of MLibISc & BLibISc
- 6. Other items admitted by the Chair.

Minutes of the third meeting of the second Academic Council of Rajagiri College of Social Sciences (Autonomous) held at 03.00 pm on Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2017 at the Board Room of Rajagiri Business School, Kakkanad, Kochi-682039.

#### **Members Present**

1.	Dr. Binoy Joseph	Chairman
2.	Dr. Anilkumar K	Member
3.	Dr. Anish K R	Member
4.	Dr. Baby M D	Member
5.	Dr. Bindiya M. Varghese	Member
6.	Dr. Veeva Mathew	Member
7.	Dr. Manoj Mathew	Member
8.	Sr. (Dr.) Lizy P J	Member
9.	Dr. Joseph K X.	Member
10.	Dr. K. Poulose Jacob	Member
11.	Dr. Sam Thomas	Member
12.	Prof. Keith Gomez	Member
13.	Dr. Fr. Johnson X Palackappillil CMI	Member
14.	Prof. Jogy Alex	MG University Nominee
15.	Dr. Tomy Joseph	MG University Nominee
16.	Fr.(Dr) Saju M D CMI	Member Secretary

#### **Special Invitee**

- 1. Fr. Jose Alex CMI
- 2. Fr.(Dr) Varghese.K.Varghese
- 3. Dr. Joseph I. Injodey

#### **Leave of Absence**

- 1. Dr. Joji Alex
- 2. Dr. S P Sudheer
- 3. Fr. Jose Alex CMI
- 4. Dr. Joseph I Injodey

The meeting started with a silent prayer.

#### Welcome

Dr. Binoy Joseph, Chairman, extended a warm welcome to the members of the Academic Council.

After this, the agenda was taken up for discussion.

#### **Item No. AC 2. 3/1** Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting

The Chairman presented the minutes of the previous meeting held on 06<sup>th</sup> April 2017 and the action taken thereon.

Dr. Paulose Jacob proposed to approve the minutes and Dr. Sam Thomas supported it. As the members had no objection, the Academic Council unanimously resolved to confirm the minutes of the previous meeting of the Academic Council held on 06 April 2017.

#### **Item No. AC 2. 3/2** Reporting of activities after the last meeting

The Chairman reported the following academic activities of the College after the last meeting:

a) **Permanent increase of seats for MCA Programme**: After obtaining permission from AICTE, the College applied for permanent increase of seats for MCA programme from 45 to 60 after complying all procedures. But it was not considered by the MG University and hence did not approve our proposal as intimated vide their UO No.4755/2/ACB VII/2017 dated 04 August 2017.

The Academic Council after detailed discussion on various pros and cons connected with the proposal expressed concern as the proposal did not sail through and resolved to look into the possibility of applying it again in the next academic year 2018-2019.

b) Marginal increase of seats for 2017-18 admission: Considering the high demand for admission to various UG & PG programmes during 2017-18, we had taken up the case for marginal increase of seats in respect of five PG and eight UG programmes vide our letter No. RCSS/138/Affn/2017 dated 08 May 2017 and deposited the fee prescribed for the same. But the MG University has only granted marginal increase in six programmes (two PG and four UG) vide their UO No. 3743/2/ACBVII/2017 dated 20-06-2017.

The Academic Council noted the matter.

## Item No. AC 2. 3/3 Approval of minutes of Board of Studies in Social Work and Commerce held on 25-08-2017

(a) The Chairman invited Dr. Anish K R (Chairman BOS Social Work) to present the minutes of the BOS (Social Work).

#### Item No. AC 2. 3/3.1

Dr. Anish K R presented the minutes of BOS Social Work for discussion and requested to approve the minutes. After detailed discussion, the Academic Council resolved to approve the modifications made in the syllabus of MSW Programme with effect from 2018-19 admission onwards.

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(b) After this, the Chairman invited Dr. Joseph K X to present the minutes of the BOS (Commerce).

Dr. Joseph K X presented the minutes of the meeting of the BOS (Commerce) and the recommendations made by the BOS. He presented the proposed revisions in the BCom (Model II: Vocational Finance & Taxation) syllabus and also the possibility of getting ACCA and CIMA exemptions for certain courses.

The Academic Council considered the minutes and resolved to approve the recommendations. The Academic Council also resolved to approve the changes proposed in the syllabus of B.Com (Model II Vocational: Finance & Taxation).

#### **Item No. AC 2. 3/4** Re-admission of MSW and MCA students

A student of MSW 2015-2017 batch was not promoted to IV Semester in November 2016 due to shortage of attendance. His case for re-admission was taken up with the MG University vide our letter No. RCSS/140/Admn/2017 dated 17<sup>th</sup> June 2017 with supporting documents requesting his re-admission in III Semester during 2017 to complete the programme. MG University, vide its Order No. ACB VII / 2 / 9067/ 2017 dated 22-08-2017 granted permission to re-admit the student as we requested.

Response from MG University in a similar case in respect of a MCA student of 2015-18 batch taken up vide our letter No. RCSS/139/Admn/2017 dated 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017 is awaited.

The Academic Council noted the matter.

#### Item No. AC 2.3/5 Revised Syllabi of BLibISc & MLibISc

Dr. Baby M D, Chairperson BOS (Library & Information Science) presented a review of the newly revised M. G. University syllabi of BLibISc and MLibISc. Since the revised syllabi is comprehensive in terms of employability and skill development and also the proposal of starting integrated MLibISc is pending, she requested the Council to adopt the revised syllabi from 2018-2019 admission onwards.

The Academic Council, after deliberation, resolved to approve the proposal but advised to follow up the proposal to start integrated MLibISc in the upcoming years.

#### Item N. AC 2.3/6 Other items

Dr. Tomy Joseph pointed out the need of advance information about convening the Academic Council meeting. He suggested that at least it should be intimated one week in advance with connected documents like agenda etc., then only they can come prepared.

The Academic Council noted the matter.

Dr. Tomy Joseph also pointed out that the Website of the Rajagiri College of Social Sciences has not updated the name of new Academic Council members. He requested to incorporate the same.

The Chairman noted the requirement and assured the members for compliance in future.

The meeting came to a close at 4.30 PM with a vote of thanks.

Fr. (Dr.) Saju M.D. CMI Member-Secretary Dr. Binoy Joseph Chairman

Place: Kochi

Date: 29-08-2017