

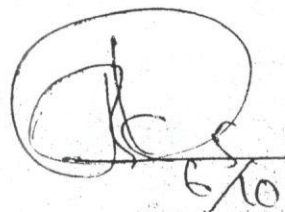


MINUTES OF THE 9TH ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING

Date : 16th April, 2010
Time : 11.00 am
Venue : Board Meeting Hall, NERIST

Following Members were present :-

1.	Dr. Joram Begi, Director, NERIST	Chairman
2.	Prof. D. K. Saikia, Tezpur University	Member
3.	Prof. A.K. Das, R. G. University, Doimukh	Member
4.	Dr. U. K. Saha, IIT, Guwahati.	Member
5.	Dr. B. K. Nath, Principal, W.R. Govt. College, Deomali	Member
6.	Mr. T. Talom, Principal J.N. College, Pasighat	Member
7.	Prof. P.K. Das, Dean (Acad)	Member
8.	Prof. L. S. Yadav, Dean (P&D)	Member
9.	Prof. H.S. Yadav, Dean (SA)	Member
10.	Prof. S.K. Singh, Deptt. of Civil Engg.	Member
11.	Prof. M. Husain, Deptt. of Chemistry	Member
12.	Prof. R. Prasad, Deptt. of Physics	Member
13.	Prof. R.M. Pant, Deptt. of HSS	Member
14.	Prof. S.K. Pandey, Deptt. of Maths.	Member
15.	Prof. P.K. Tripathi, HoD, Deptt. of Chemistry	Member
16.	Prof. M.F. Hussain, Deptt. of Chemistry	Member
17.	Prof. K.D. Ram, Deptt. of Chemistry	Member
18.	Prof. (Mrs.) P. Rethy, Deptt. of Forestry	Member
19.	Prof. M. L. Khan, HoD (Forestry)	Member
20.	Prof. Amitava Chatterjee, HoD (Physics)	Member
21.	Prof. V.K. Dhar, Deptt. of Physics	Member
22.	Prof. P.R. Alapati, Deptt. of Physics	Member
23.	Prof. P.P. Dabral, Deptt. of Agri. Engg.	Member
24.	Prof. M. Muralidhar, HoC, CATRD	Member
25.	Mr. S.K. Srivastava, HOD(AE)	Member
26.	Dr. S. Baishya, HOD(CE)	Member
27.	Dr. R. K. Mehta, HoD (EE) i/c	Member
28.	Mr. Sunirmal Roy, HOD(ME)	Member
29.	Mr. K. Legoh, HoD (CSE) i/c	Member
30.	Mr. L. L. K. Singh, HoD (ECE) i/c	Member
31.	Dr. A. S. Rai, Deptt. of Maths	Member


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32.	Mr. P.D. Kashayap, Deptt. of Electrical Engg.	Member
33.	Dr. N. Deb, Deptt. of Chemistry	Member
34.	Mr. D.K. Shyamal, Deptt. of Agri. Engg.	Member
35.	Dr. C.M. Krishna, Deptt. of Mech. Engg.	Member
36.	Dr. S. Mishra, CoE	Invitee
37.	Dr. R.P. Bhattacharjee, Dy. Registrar (Academic)	Invitee
38.	Mr. P.K. Modak, Registrar	Non Member Secretary

The members who could not attend the meeting are as follows.

1. Mr. Tomer Ete, Principal, D.N. College, Itanagar
2. Er. Joram Lali, AE, Deptt. of Power, Govt. of AP, Itanagar
3. Prof. L. K. Arora, HoD, Deptt. of Mathematics
4. Prof. S. K. Pandey, Deptt. of Mathematics
5. Dr. B. D. Nayak, HoD, Deptt. of HSS
6. Sh. H. P. Singh, Deptt. of Civil Engineering.

At the outset, the Chairman, Academic Council welcomed the members present and called the meeting to order. He appreciated the presence of outside Members; Prof. D. K. Saikia, Prof. A. K. Das, Dr. U. K. Saha, Dr. B. K. Nath & Mr. T. Talom. Thereafter, the Agenda Items were taken up for discussion as under :-

AC 9.1 :: To consider confirmation of the Minutes of the 8th Academic Council Meeting held on 7th November, 2009.

[It was informed that no comment was received after circulation of the minutes of the 8th Academic Council. However, the Chairman requested the members to express their comments, if any.].

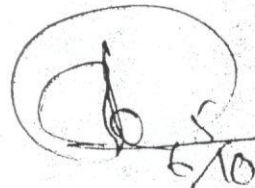
Resolution :: The minutes of the 8th Academic Council was confirmed

AC 9.2 :: (a) To consider Action Taken Report (ATR) on the minutes of the 7th AC meeting (Agenda item No. AC-7.9).

[A committee was constituted vide Notification No. Acad/ATR/7(AC)/2009/150 Dtd. 25.06.2009, under the Chairmanship of Prof. R. M. Pant, to study/examine the proposal of reducing the number of days in Industrial Training of our Degree Pre-final year students from 50 to 30 days. The report of the Committee was placed before the Council for deliberation].

The Dean (Acad) briefed the report of the Committee and invited comments from In-charge (T&P) and HoDs/HoC. The matter was deliberated in detail.

Resolution :: The Report of the Committee approved with a flexible industrial training period from 35-50 days for the pre-final year students.



- (b) To consider Action Taken Report (ATR) on the minutes of the 8th AC meeting (Agenda Item No. AC-8.4).

[A committee was constituted vide Notification No. Acad/ATR/8(AC)/2009/263 Dtd. 09.12.2009, under the Chairmanship of Prof. P. K. Das, Dean (Acad), to deliberate on the draft revised Academic Bye-laws prepared by Prof. S. K. Singh, Department of Civil Engineering. The report of the Committee was placed before the Council for deliberation]

The Committee deliberated on the draft Academic By-laws and incorporated the changes already adopted earlier by the different Academic Council. However, the members were of the opinion that the regulations for Masters programme and Ph.D. programme be separated. Accordingly, the Committee submitted the skeleton of the two regulations. The Committee will prepare the full By-laws and circulate it to all HoDs for comments giving 10 days time. Then it will be finalized in a HoD meeting and will be made effective from July-Dec, 2010 semester on approval from Director.

Out of discussion, it came up as suggestion from the members that some special grants may be given to the Departments for creating basic infrastructure at least for initial five years to strengthen the Ph.D. programme.

Resolution :: The Academic Council agreed to the proposal.

- (c) To consider Action Taken Report (ATR) on the minutes of the 8th AC meeting [Agenda Item No. AC-8.9 (d)].

[A committee was constituted vide Notification No. Acad/ATR/8(AC)/2009/263 Dtd. 09.12.2009, under the Chairmanship of Prof. H. S. Yadav, Dean (SA), to examine the present practice of Bond for Study and other academic leave. The Committee requested some more time to submit its report, preferably by next AC meeting]

Resolution :: The Committee has been allowed time and directed to submit the Report before next AC meeting.

- (d) To consider Action Taken Report (ATR) on the minutes of the 8th AC meeting [Agenda Item No. AC-8.14 (b)].

[A committee was constituted vide Notification No. Acad/ATR/8(AC)/2009/263 Dtd. 09.12.2009, under the Chairmanship of Prof. P. K. Das, Dean (Acad), to examine the issue of re-start of M.Tech (By Research). The Report of the Committee was placed before the Council for deliberation]

Resolution :: The Report of the Committee is accepted.

(e) To consider Action Taken Report (ATR) on the minutes of the 8th AC meeting [Agenda Item No. AC-8.14 (d)].

[A committee was constituted vide Notification No. Acad/ATR/8(AC)/2009/263 Dtd. 09.12.2009, under the Chairmanship of Prof. P. K. Das, Dean (Acad), to examine the issue of minor revision of Syllabus of the UG Courses. The Report of the Committee was placed before the Council for deliberation]

Resolution :: The Report of the Committee is approved, subject to final checking by the HoDs of CSE, EC, EE and MA, before printing. The issue of ME-6121 will be finalized by HoD (AE & ME) by mutual discussion. The Revised Syllabus will be applicable from 2010-11 session to all 1st year students of each module.

AC 9.3 :: To consider recommendation of the 14th & 15th BPGS held on 11.01.2010 & 31.03.2010 respectively.

[The recommendations of the 14th & 15th BPGS, held on 11.01.2010 & 31.03.2010, were placed for consideration of the Academic Council]

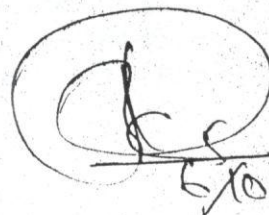
Resolution :: The Academic Council ratified the decision taken in 14th and 15th BPGS.

AC 9.4 :: To consider the proposal of offering appropriately designed Courses for course work requirement of the Ph.D. programme.

[The HoD, Department of Physics, has submitted a proposal that faculty members of the Physics department are of the view that there should be flexibility of offering appropriately designed course(s) relevant to the field of Research of the Scholar and the faculty involved in teaching these courses be given due credit in terms of teaching load]

Resolution :: After discussion it was agreed to incorporate certain specially designed courses for course work of Ph.D. programme after getting those approved by the respective BoS of the Departments.

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AC 9.5 :: To Consider relaxation for Dyslexic students in higher education, as directed by University Grants Commission.

[The Under Secretary, University Grants Commission (UGC), New Delhi, vide his letter No. F.6-1/2006(CPP-II/SCT) Dtd. 30th September, 2009, has directed the Institute to ensure benefits/exemptions to Dyslexic students pursuing higher education in Universities and Colleges and to provide them necessary support in view of the peculiar nature of the disability]

Resolution :: Considering the practical problem of Technology Programmes, the present proposal of exemptions to Dyslexic students has not been considered.

Ac 9.6 :: To consider the proposal of Mission and Vision Statement of NERIST.

[A Mission and Vision statement of NERIST, has been submitted by Prof. P. K. Tripathy and Prof. R. M. Pant. The Chairman informed the House that the Institute is in the process of getting its programmes accredited by NAAC & NBA. He felt it necessary to have Mission and Vision Statements of the Institute and accordingly a Committee comprising two Professors was constituted. He requested the members to deliberate on the report before finalization].

Resolution :: The members deliberated on the Report of the Committee and approved the Mission and Vision Statement, as under :-

Mission Statement :: *"To produce 'best of breed' human resources, catering to the global requirements in the areas of science & technology, for the service of the mankind".*

Vision Statement :: *"To create a niche in the field of science & technology education, and research through a unique modular system and develop a sound human resource base by nurturing the talents specially from North Eastern States, matching the global standards".*

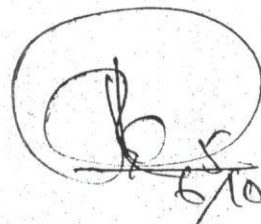
AC 9.7 :: Reporting item(s) :-

- (a) [To ratify the action taken to conduct of classes on 6th March'10 in lieu of 4th March'10, as per the same time table, to celebrate 26th Foundation Day of NERIST, on 4th March'10].

The Chairman impressed upon the members that the Foundation Day of the Institute should be celebrated every year to inculcate the spirit of belongingness of the students and employees to the Institute.

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Resolution :: Noted/Ratified. Foundation Day of the Institute be incorporated in Academic Calendar from next year.

- (b) [To report on implementation of Institute Leaving Certificate for the students]

Resolution :: Noted.

- (c) [To ratify the declaration of half holiday on 1st April'10, for inauguration of 'SHRISTI', as 2nd April'10, is holiday on account of Good Friday]

Resolution :: Noted/Ratified.

- (d) [To ratify the Academic Calendar-2010]

Resolution :: Ratified with minor modification of Sl. No. 25 & 26 as the dates will be 28th May'10, in both the cases. For Sl. No. 31, the secretarial job of communication will be done by Academic Section.

The Chairman opined that in the list of Holiday, Baisakhi should be declared a holiday on 15th of April from next year and directed that the Academic Calendar may be finalized/ratified by AC, before start of the session.

- (e) [To ratify the declaration of result of July-Dec, 2009 semester]

Resolution :: Ratified.

Additional Reporting Items :-

- (f) [To ratify the appointment of Shri P. D. Kashyap as Supervisor, vice Prof. K. Kumar, and Dr. O. P. Roy, as Co-Supervisor, for the M.Tech (Research) works of Shri Radak Blange, MTR/06(II)/EE/01].

Resolution :: Ratified.

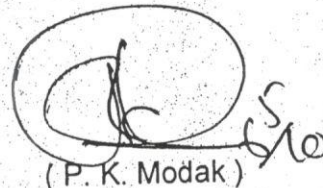
AC 9.8 :: Any other item(s) with permission of the Chair :-

- i) Honorarium of NEE functionaries, were placed before the Council and after deliberation, the matter was approved.
- ii) The issue of a Central Workshop was raised by Members and recommended that a Central Workshop may be set up to accommodate increasing number of students.

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- lii) The issue of student feed back was discussed and it was decided to develop a suitable format for implementation from the current semester.

The Chairman thanked all the members for their active participation in the meeting. The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.



(P. K. Modak)

Registrar & Non-Member Secretary,
Academic Council. NERIST