Andhra Loyola College (Autonomous), Vijayawada - 520 008 Academic Council Meeting – Saturday, 18.11.2017 at 03.00 P.M.

The meeting of the Academic Council was held on Saturday, the 18th November 2017 at 3.00 PM in the Academic Council Hall. The following members attended the meeting

Chairperson	Rev Fr.Dr.G.A.P.Kishore, SJ	Principal, ALC,
University Representatives	Dr.N.Usha	Dept of English, KU
	Dr.CM Vinay Kumar	Dept.of Journalism, KU
Management Representatives	Rev Fr.Dr.A.Francis Xavier, SJ	Correspondent, ALC
Secretary-Academic Activities	Dr.CH.Srinivasu	Dept. of Physics
External Experts	Rev Sr.Dr.P.Mercy	Educationist
	Dr.O.Mahesh	Engineering
	Sri N Harinath	Advocate
	Dr.Nambiar	Medicine
Vice Principals	Rev Fr.S.Melchoir, SJ	Dept. of Business Administration
	Dr.Gumma Sambasiva Rao	Dept. of Telugu
	Ms.A.Lavanya	Dept. of Comp.Science
Deans	Dr.B Raju	Dean of Humanities &
		H.o.D. English
	Dr.B.Venkateswara Rao	Dean of Sciences
	Dr.B.Syamsundar	Dean of Student Affairs
Controller of Examinations	Rev Fr.N.Bujji Babu, SJ	
Heads/Coordinators of the	Dr.B.Raju	English
Departments		
	Dr.R,Ravindra Bhas	Telugu
	Dr.M.Sivaram	Sanskrit and Hindi
	Sri P Chenchu Babu	Mathematics
	Dr.N.Srinivasa Rao	Statistics
	Dr. G.Sahaya Baskaran	Physics
	Dr.G.V.Ramana	Chemistry
	Dr. P Srinivasa Rao	Botany
	Sri G.M.Srirangam	H.o.D. Zoology, Coordinator, Food-
		Tech. & B.Voc. Programs.
	Sri K Balachandra	Microbiology
	Ms.V.Kavitha	Biotechnology
	Sri C Ravindra Raju	History
	Dr.Mrs.B.Baby Rani	Economics
	Sri KV Vijaya Babu	H.o.D. Political Science &
		Coordinator, VisCom.
	Dr.N.A.Francis Xavier	Commerce
	Ms.D.Uma Kumari	Business Administration
	Dr.K.Job Sudarshan	Ethics and Religion
	Dr.K.B.S.Sastry	Comp.Science
	Sri L.Ekambaram	Electronics
	Sri PVS Sairam, Coordinator	Foundational Courses and General
		Electives
	Sri S.S.Sridhar	MCA
	Dr.B.G.K.Murthy	MBA
	Ms.K.Seshulatha, Coordinator	PG Physics
	Sri T Jaison Jose, Coordinator	PG Chemistry
	Sri K Sankar, Coordinator	PG Botany
	Sri M Ankamma Rao, Coordinator	PG Mathematics
	Sri T Rajakumar, Coordinator	PG VisCom.
	Dr. G A Prasad Rao	Librarian
	Sri JV Nagendra Prasad	Director of Phy. Education
	Dr.G.Srinivasa Rao	Coordinator, IQAC
	Dr.B.Sivakumari	Coordinator, DBT-Star College
		Scheme
	Dr.M.C.Rao	Director, CCLR

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The meeting started with a prayer by Rev Fr.Dr.A.Francis Xaiver, SJ, Correspondent, invoking God's blessings for the successful conduct of the proceedings. Rev Fr.Dr.G.A.P.Kishore, SJ, Principal, welcomed the members.

Dr.CH.Srinivasu, Secretary-Academic Activities, initiated the proceedings and presented the agenda for the Academic Council meeting. In his opening remarks, the Secretary-Academic Activities, said that the current Academic Council meeting assumes significance as this is the maiden meeting in the context of the Postgraduate Courses being granted Autonomous Status by Krishna University w.e.f. 2017-2018 after almost 30 years of UG Courses getting the same.

The Secretary-Academic Activities requested Rev Fr.Dr.G.A.P.Kishore, SJ, Principal and Chairman, Academic Council, to present a brief review of the events that took place since the last meeting of the Academic Council.

In his presentation, Fr.Principal highlighted the notable institutional achievements that were registered since the last Academic Council Meeting as under:

- i) the College being accredited by NAAC in March 2017 at A+ Grade with a CGPA of 3.66 in III Cycle, the highest CGPA in Telugu States so far;
- ii) the College being awarded the All India 24th Rank for Colleges by NIRF in April 2017; and
- iii) Krishna University granting Autonomy for the P.G. Courses in our College.

Fr.Principal also observed that this is a very significant meeting of the Academic Council especially in the context of the P.G. Courses being granted Autonomous Status by Krishna University on the similar lines of the Undergraduate Courses getting Autonomy on 24.10.1987.

Later, the Chairman-Academic Council invited Mr.G.M.Srirangam, Autonomy Coordinator, to make a brief presentation on the new elements introduced in the structure of P.G. Courses under Autonomy.

Explaining the basic structural framework being adopted for P.G. Courses with effect from the current academic year subsequent to the grant of Autonomy, Mr.Srirangam said that the following new elements have been introduced while retaining the Core Papers intact:

- 1. Foundation Courses: To acquaint the students with basics of the course
- 2. Choice Based Credit System: to afford students flexibility in choice of courses in respect of Subject Based Electives and Skill Based Electives.

- Seminar Courses: to improve communication skills of the students.
 Students will have to make a presentation on a particular topic of their own choice.
- 4. General Electives: to incorporate inter-disciplinary approach in the curriculum.
- 5. **Research-oriented Courses**: to instill in the students scientific temper and to orient students towards Research.

These courses are introduced in addition to the mandatory Project Work to be done by the M.Sc./MBA students during summer after their second semester, And by the MCA students in the sixth semester.

6. Extension Work: to inculcate a sense of compassionate commitment towards the disadvantaged sections of the society.

In this, students are required to do a minimum of 45 hours of mandatory extension work for which credits are awarded.

Later Fr.Principal invited the Heads/Coordinators of the P.G. Departments of Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Biotechnology, Visual Communication, MBA, MCA and the U.G. Department of Electronics and the Coordinator, Foundational and General Elective Courses to present the Resolutions of their respective Boards of Studies for the Council's ratification.

The Academic Council, having discussed all the Resolutions thoroughly, ratified the same in toto. The Resolutions together with the approved Syllabi are appended herewith as a separate volume.

Sr.Mercy congratulated the administration on getting autonomy for P.G. Courses and suggested that the admission of B.Sc., graduates directly into MCA II Year could be considered with requisite permission from the AICTE.

Post ratification of the Resolutions by the Academic Council, ratification of the Results of last academic year Even Semesters was taken up.

Rev Fr.N.Bujji Babu, SJ, Controller of Examinations, presented the Course-wise results of the II, IV & VI semesters of the academic year 2016-2017, for the Council's ratification.

The Academic Council ratified the results.

Later, Fr.Principal invited the members to make their general observations and suggestions:

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Fr.Dr.A.Francis Xavier, SJ, Correspondent and Management Representative, suggested making eminent experts from reputed institutions part of the Boards of Studies. He also said that both descriptive and online exams could be conducted.

Dr.N.Usha, University Nominee, congratulated the Management, the Principal and the dedicated staff on the notable achievements of the College including NAAC Accreditation, NIRF Rank and the P.G. Autonomy. She wished the college greater achievements in future and P.G. Autonomy a grand success. She appreciated the good examination results achieved by the students. She said that students should be encouraged to make use of reference books as well as online resources for their studies. She said that it is unfortunate to see a few courses being discontinued for want of admissions. She expressed a similar view on making eminent experts from reputed institutions part of Boards of Studies as expressed by Fr.Dr.Francis Xavier, SJ, Management Representative.

Under any other matter, Fr.Principal moved the following Resolution and sought the Academic Council's approval.

I. Resolution:

It is resolved to discontinue the following Degree Courses from the ensuing academic year 2018-2019 for lack of takers in the recent past:

- 1. B.A., Music-Classical/Animation-Sound
- 2. B.A., Journalism, Advanced English and Animation
- 3. B.Sc., Animation with VFX

The Academic Council unanimously approved the Resolution.

The meeting concluded with Rev Fr.S.Melchior, SJ, Vice Principal, proposing a vote

of thanks.

Dr.CH.Srinivasu

Secretary-Academic Activities

Fr.Dr.G.A.P.Kishore, SJ Principal & Chairman, Academic Council