Andhra Loyola College (Autonomous), Vijayawada - 520 008 Academic Council Meeting (I) – Wednesday, 22.01.2020 at 03.30 P.M.

The meeting of the Academic Council was held on Wednesday, 22.01.2020 at 03.30 P.M. in the Academic Council Hall. The following members attended the meeting.

Rev Fr.GM Victor Emmanuel, SJ	Principal, ALC,
Prof.YK Sundara Krishna	Dept. of Comp.Sci. KU
Dr.N.Usha	Dept of English, KU
Prof.D.Suryachandra Rao	Dept.of Commerce, KU
Rev Fr.Dr.M.Sagararaj, SJ	Correspondent, ALC
Dr.CH.Srinivasu	Dept. of Physics
Rev Fr Dr.A.Francis Xavier, SJ	Education
Dr.K Anitha	Education
Dr.O.Mahesh	Engineering
	Vice Principal (PG)
	Vice Principal (UG)
Dr.M.Sivaram	Vice Principal (UG) & H.o.D. Sanskrit & Hindi
Sri JV Nagendra Prasad	Vice Principal (UG) & H.o.D. Physical Education
Sri D Praveen	Vice Principal (UG)
	Vice Principal (UG)
	Vice Principal (PG)
	Dean of Humanities
	Dean of Sciences
	Dean of Student Activities
Rev Fr.N.Bujji Babu, SJ	Coordinator, BBA Aviation Magt., BBA Logistics Magt.
Sri N Ranga Babu	English
Dr.R.Ravindra Bhas	Telugu
	Sanskrit and Hindi
	Mathematics
	Statistics
	Physics
	Chemistry
	Botany
Sri G.M.Srirangam	H.o.D. Zoology Coordinator, Food Tech. & B.Voc. Programmes
Sri K Balachandra	Microbiology
	Biotechnology
	History
	Economics
	Political Science
	Commerce
	Business Administration
	Ethics and Religion
	Comp.Science
	Electronics
	Visual Communication
Sri PVS Sairam, Coordinator	General Elective (Competitive Exams)
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	H.o.D. MBA
	Coordinator, Physics (PG)
Dr.B Johnson	
Dr.T Jaison Jose	
Dr.T Jaison Jose Sri K Sankar	Coordinator, Botany (PG)
Dr.T Jaison Jose	Coordinator, Chemistry (PG) Coordinator, Botany (PG) Coordinator, Maths (PG) Librarian
	Dr.N.Usha Prof.D.Suryachandra Rao Rev Fr.Dr.M.Sagararaj, SJ Dr.CH.Srinivasu Rev Fr Dr.A.Francis Xavier, SJ Dr.K Anitha Dr.O.Mahesh Rev Fr.Dr.A.Rex Angelo, SJ Rev Fr.Dr.S.Melchior, SJ Dr.M.Sivaram Sri JV Nagendra Prasad Sri D Praveen Ms.D.Tabitha Ms.RPL Durga Bai Poonam Dr.R Ravindra Bhas Dr.T.Srikumar Dr.A Samuel Dayakar Rev Fr.N.Bujji Babu, SJ Sri N Ranga Babu Dr.R.Ravindra Bhas Dr.M.Sivaram Sri P Venugopala Rao Dr. M.Sivaram Sri P Venugopala Rao Dr. G.Sahaya Baskaran Dr.Y Hanumantha Rao Dr.T.Rose Mary Sri G.M.Srirangam Sri K Balachandra Ms.S Sri Lakshmi Sri C.Ravindra Raju Dr.B.Baby Rani Dr.A.Samuel Dayakar Sri CH V Chowdary Ms.Md.Shabana Begum Dr.K.Job Sudarshan Mr.T.Kamalakar Raju Sri B Balaji Bhanu Rev Fr I Lourdu Raj, SJ Sri PVS Sairam, Coordinator Ms.RPL Durga Bai Poonam Dr.A.Madhuri

Dr.D Balakaruna Kumar	Coordinator, CCLR
Mr.CH Tarun Reddy (DZ 42)	Student Representative
Ms.M.Pravallika (DGH 21)	Student Representative

The meeting started with a prayer by Rev Fr.Dr.M.Sagayaraj, SJ, Correspondent, invoking God's blessings for the successful conduct of the proceedings. Rev Fr.G.M.Victor Emmanuel, SJ, Principal, welcomed the members.

Dr.CH.Srinivasu, Secretary-Academic Activities, initiating the proceedings, placed the Agenda before the Council.

The Secretary-Academic Activities requested Rev.Fr.G.M.Victor Emmanuel, S.J., Principal and Chairman, Academic Council, to present a brief Academic Review for the year 2019-2020.

Fr.Principal, in his Brief Review of Academic Activities for the Academic Year 2019-2020, highlighted the following:

- > Institutional Recognitions viz. College being
 - a. Selected under Rashtriya Utchathar Siksha Abhiyan (RUSA) of MHRD, Govt. of India, under Component Eight for 'Enhancing Quality and Excellence in select Autonomous Colleges'.
 - b. Awarded the All India 45th Rank for Colleges by NIRF in April 2019;
 - c. Certified as an **ISO 9001:2015 Institution** under the scope of certification "Providing Quality Education" for a period of three years from 2019 to 2022.
- ➤ Profile of the College, total Teaching Staff (236) including (48) newly recruited, Non-Teaching Staff (126) including 20 newly recruited and Students' Strength (6158)
- Examination Results being an overall 93, 97 and 97 pass percentages for Intermediate, Degree and PG Wings respectively for the last academic year.
- Number of Courses being offered, including Introduction of new courses viz. (1) B.Sc., Hospitality and Hotel Administration, (2) B.Sc., Big Data Analytics, (3) B.Sc., Artificial Intelligence and (4) B.B.A., Logistics Management
- Additional Qualifications acquired two Faculty Members got qualified in UGC NET, and four faculty members got awarded Ph.D.
 With these, the total number of Ph.D. holders among our Staff went upto 67 while that of M.Phil. acquired and NET/SET qualified stood at 25 and 35 respectively.
- > Awards, Honours and Recognitions received by the faculty
- Faculty's Professional Contribution including Books Authored (01) Papers Presented (116) and Publications (81)
- Guest Lectures Delivered (14) and Guest Lectures Organized (45)
- ➤ five International Conferences organized in collaboration with International Multidisciplinary Research Foundation (IMRF); UGC-sponsored National/State Level Seminars (04) and IQAC Seminars/Workshops (03).
- Participation in Seminars/Workshops and Services Rendered as Resource Persons
- Library activities including Loyola Reviewers Association's Book Review programmes
- Academic Enrichment of Students including Student Seminars/Workshops (16) conducted, Industrial Tours/Field Trips (26) organized, Students' Participation in Seminars/Workshops.

> Different events organized on the Campus

- > Students' Achievements in extra curricular, co-curricular activities and Sports and Games
- > Achievements of NCC cadets
- > Activities of NSS and Extension Programme ALANA.
- > Jawahar Knowledge Centre and students' placements
- > Activities of APSSDC-sponsored Employability Skill Centre
- > Activities of HEPSN Programme
- ➤ Hostel Life
- ➤ Implementation of Student Welfare Schemes with an amount of Rs.7,00,000/- for Mid Day Meal; Management Freeships and Scholarships for students to the tune of almost Rs.20 Lakhs, College Dispensary, etc.

Later the Secretary-Academic Activities invited the Heads/Coordinators of both the U.G. and P.G. Departments to present the Resolutions of their respective Boards of Studies for the Council's ratification.

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

Rev Fr.N.Bujji Babu, SJ, Controller of Examinations, presented the Course-wise Results of the I, III & V Semesters of the current academic year 2019-2020, for the Council's ratification.

The Academic Council ratified the results.

Prof.Sundara Krishna, University Nominee, asked if there is any analysis for low percentage of passes and if any remedial measures are taken to help the low-performing students.

Mr.G.M.Srirangam, Deputy Controller of Exams, said that subject-wise analysis is regularly presented in the Awards Committee meetings. He said that Telugu medium background of the students is the usual reason for low percentage of passes in some Courses and stated that remedial classes are conducted to improve the performance of weak students.

Prof.D.Suryachandra Rao, University Nominee, while appreciating the administration for introducing Courses in Aviation, Logistics and Hospitality and Hotel Administration subjects, asked if the courses are UGC-approved courses.

Responding to the query of Prof.D.Suryachandra Rao, Mr.G.M.Srirangam said that the courses are collaborative courses under National Skill Development Corporation of Ministry of Human Resources Development, Govt. of India.

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

Resolutions:

- 1. It is resolved to start two new Undergraduate Programmes viz. (1) BBA Retail Management and (2) B.Sc., Agriculture with an intake of 60 each and one new Postgraduate Programme viz. M.A., Journalism and Mass Communication with an intake of 40 from the Academic Year 2020-2021.
 - It is decided constitute an Expert Subject Committee to design the Structure and Syllabi of these three new Programmes.
- 2. It is resolved to conduct the End Semester Practical Examinations with the faculty members of the Department concerned who will be both the External and the Internal Examiners.
- 3. It is resolved to introduce Certificate/Diploma Courses minimum One by each Department with Rev Fr.I.Lourduraj, S.J., Head, Dept. of Visual Communication, as the Incharge.

After clarifying the doubts raised by Prof.Sundara Krishna, University Nominee, concerning the Internal Practical Examination System with reference to Resolution No.02, Mr.G.M.Srirangam, NAAC Coordinator, said that Academic Council is the final authority under the scheme of autonomy.

Concurring the view expressed by the NAAC Coordinator, Fr.G.M.Victor Emmanuel, SJ, Chairman of the Academic Council said that the proposed Internal Practical Examination System is in tune with the recommendations made by the NAAC Peer Team during the third phase of Accreditation.

Fr.Dr.Rex Angelo, SJ, Vice Principal (PG) said that autonomy gives freedom to the institutions of higher education to innovate and be creative in matters of Teaching-Learning, and Examination and Evaluation.

Dr.G.Srinivasa Rao, IQAC Coordinator, said that Accreditation Agencies such as NAAC are raising questions why the College, being an Autonomous College, does not go for fully Internal Examination System and still engages external examiners. Stating that prestigious institutions of higher education like IITs and BITS-Pilani are already implementing fully internal examination, he said that the College is moving towards progressive internalization to improve the examination system on the lines of NAAC Peer Team's recommendations. Quoting UGC Guidelines on the scheme of autonomy, he stated that Academic Council is the highest authority in matters of academic administration and said that Board of Management alone can either reject or ratify the resolutions of Academic Council.

Subsequently, the Academic Council unanimously approved all the three Resolutions moved by the Principal.

Before conclusion of the meeting, Dr.G.Srinivasa Rao, Coordinator, IQAC, informed the members of the Academic Council that meetings of Boards of Studies and Academic Council have, hitherto, been conducted once in a year. However, as per the UGC's new guidelines, henceforth, the meetings of Boards of Studies and Academic Council shall be mandatorily held twice in a year for each Semester. He further informed the Heads of Departments that hereafter everything is Outcome-Based Education and said that the Departments shall prepare Outcome of each Course/Paper and get it ratified by the Academic Council.

He further said that the minutes of the meetings of Boards of Studies and Academic Council together with the Resolutions passed therein shall be uploaded on the College website.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr.G.Srinivasa Rao, Coordinator, IQAC.

External Experts Dr.S.Nambiar, Sri D.Ramakrishna, Sri Y.Harishchandra Prasad and Sri N.Harinath could not attend the meeting.

Fr.G.M.Victor Emmanuel, SJ

Principal & Chairman

Academic Council

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