

INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM AND NEW MEDIA STUDIES

MINUTES OF THE 18TH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM AND NEW MEDIA STUDIES (SOJNMS) HELD ON FEBRUARY 26, 2018 AT 11:30 AM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF SOTST, IGNOU, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI

The following members attended the meeting:

1. Prof. S. N. Singh, Director, SOJNMS, IGNOU – Chairperson
2. Prof. J.S. Yadav, IMI, Gurgaon – External Member
3. Prof. M.S.Parmar - External Member
4. Prof. Ashok Ogra – External Member
5. Prof. D. Gopal, SOSS, IGNOU – Member
6. Dr. Nehal A Farooquee, SOEDS, IGNOU - Member
7. Dr.Sonia Sharma, SOTHM, IGNOU– Member
8. Dr.Arul Selvan, SOJNMS, IGNOU– Member
9. Dr.O.P.Dewal, SOJNMS, IGNOU– Member
10. Dr.Shikha Rai, SOJNMS, IGNOU – Member

Prof. N. Usha Rani Narayana, Prof. Rajbir Singh, Prof. A.K. Singh and Dr. Ramesh Yadav could not attend due to their preoccupations and personal reasons. Dr. Kiron Bansal, Sh. Amit Kumar and Ms. Padmini Jain were special invitees.

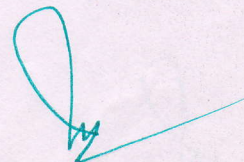
Prof. Shambhu Nath Singh, Chairperson and Director of SOJNMS welcomed all the Members of the School Board to the 18th School Board meeting of SOJNMS. Subsequently the agenda items of the 18th School Board meeting were taken up for discussion.

18.01 : Confirmation of the Minutes of the 17th School Board Meeting held on October 11, 2017.

It was explained by the Director that on circulation of the 17th School Board Meeting's Minutes among the members no comments were received. The Board considered and confirmed the minutes of the 17th School Board Meeting.

18.02: To consider and approve the ATRs on the Minutes of the 17th School Board Meeting held on October 11, 2017.

The decisions taken and approved in the 17th School Board Meeting's agenda and the ATR on this presented in the 18th School Board Meeting was considered and approved by the School Board .



18.03: To consider and approve the Minutes of the Doctoral Committee Meeting held on November 17, 2017.

The minutes of the above mentioned Doctoral Committee meeting was considered and approved by the School Board. The names of Examiners list for the evaluation of PhD thesis of the scholar Sh. Devender Kumar, Enrolment No.-127723883 (his supervisor is Dr. Ramesh Yadav) was presented and the same was approved by the School Board.

18.04: To consider and approve Relaxation for appearance in two extra Term-End Examination (TEE) for the students of closed Face-to-Face Programmes (BA-AVFX, MA-EMPM & MA-JMC).

Sh. Amit Kumar, Assistant Professor was invited to present this agenda. He had explained the official note sharing with the SRD that some students of BA-AVFX, MA-EMPM & MA-JMC (erstwhile Face-to-Face programmes of SOJNMS) are not completed their programme, they have exhausted the allowed maximum period for the respective programmes. As a one-time measure, two extra Term-End Examinations may be recommended in the interest of the students.

School Board had a detailed discussion on the merits of the proposal, and in the interests of the students, the Board recommended - as a one-time measure - to provide appearing in two extra TEEs by charging exam fee only.

18.05: To consider and approve the revised Phase-I form for BA in Multimedia and Mass Communication.

The agenda was presented by Dr. Arul Selvan. He explained that as per CBCS regulations the nomenclature of this BA programme should be as per the UGC's prescribed programme title. Accordingly, the closest related programme title - BA in Multimedia and Mass Communication is recommended in the revised Phase-I form. Along with the revised Phase-I form, the Programme Coordinator presented the external experts list to conduct expert meetings to finalize the programme structure.

School Board considered the agenda and recommended that School may relook into the broad syllabus framework of UGC's CBCS curriculum and resubmit the same in the next School Board.

18.06: To consider and approve the revised Phase-II form for M.Phil. in Communication Studies.

Dr. Arul Selvan presented the revised Phase-II form of M.Phil. programme. He explained that in the 65th Academic Council the Phase-II form was presented and same was referred back to School in the light of new guidelines for the research degrees. As per new research degree guidelines of IGNOU, the Phase-II form of M.Phil. proposal of SOJNMS was revised. Mainly the credits for the course structure are reduced to 16 credits with the two semesters.



School Board considered the revised Phase-II form of M.Phil. programme and had a detailed discussion on the Phase-II form. Board observed that since the School is already running its PhD programme in Journalism and Mass Communication, as per the IGNOU guidelines the M.Phil. degree should have the provision for integration with the PhD programme of SOJNMS; accordingly the School Board renamed the M.Phil. degree as Journalism and Mass Communication (in place of M.Phil. in Communication Studies).

With these changes, the School Board approved the revised Phase-II form of M.Phil. in Journalism and Mass Communication.

18.07: To consider and approve the Phase-2 Form of MA (JMC) programme.

Dr. Kiron Bansal presented the Phase-II form of MA in Journalism and Mass Communication. The Board considered the proposal at length and approved the Phase-II form of MA (JMC) programme.

18.08: To consider and approve the names of School Board Members (External Members) of SOJNMS under Clause 2(e) of the Statute 10A.

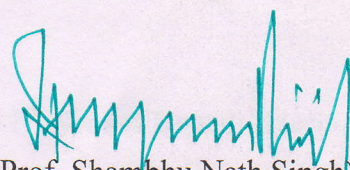
The Chairperson Director Prof. S N Singh presented the list of new external Members for School Board of SOJNMS. After the detailed discussion, the Board approved the list. The names of new external Members for School Board of SOJNMS are:

1. Prof. Biswajit Das, Director, Centre of Culture, Media and Governance, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi
2. Shri K.G. Suresh, Director General, IIMC, New Delhi
3. Prof. Govind Singh, Professor and Head, Department of Mass Communication and New Media, Central University of Jammu
4. Prof. K. Narender, Director, EMMRC, Osmania University, Hyderabad
5. Dr. Manoj Kumar Patariya, Director, CSIR-NISCAIR, New Delhi

18.09: Any other Items

The minor changes and further developments on practical components of PGJMC were reported. Additional list of evaluator, paper setter and moderator for BA-AVFX was presented. Both the matters were reported in the 18th School Board and members approved the same.

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.


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