

MINUTES OF THE 21ST MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SCHOOL OF SCIENCES HELD ON AUGUST 17, 2000 AT 11.00 A.M. IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM OF SCHOOL OF SCIENCES, IGNOU, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI-110 068.

The following were present:

- 1. Prof. S.C. Garg Chairman
- 2. Prof. B.S. Saraswat
- 3. Prof. S.S. Hasan
- 4. Prof. P. Sinclair
- 5. Prof. Manohar Lal
- 6. Prof. S.V.S. Chaudhary
- 7. Dr. A.R. Khan
- 8. Dr. Swadesh Taneja
- 9. Dr. Anju Sehgal Gupta
- 10. Dr. Pushpalata Tripathi
- 11. Dr. Lalita S. Kumar
- 12. Dr. A. Razdan

Dr. S.R. Jha could not attend the meeting.

At the outset the Chairman extended a warm welcome to all the members. He expressed the confidence that the new members will further enrich the proceedings. He also requested the Board to place on record its appreciation of the contributions made by the outgoing members:

- Prof. A.R. Verma
- Prof. R.N. Khanna
- Prof. P.N. Srikanth
- Prof. Shakti R. Ahmed
- Prof. P. Dayanandan
- Prof. A.K. Agarwal
- Dr. J.M. Parakh
- Dr. Sunita Malhotra
- Dr. Geeta Kaicker
- Dr. Sujatha Varma
- Ms. Rekha Sen
- Sh. S.S. Dubey

Original minutes are placed in 22nd School Board meeting file

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Engagements

The following items on the agenda were deliberated:

Item No.1 To confirm the Minutes of the 20th Meeting of the School Board of School of Sciences held on March 2, 2000 at 11.00 a.m.

21.1.1 The Board was informed that the minutes of the 20th Meeting of the School Board of School of Sciences were circulated to all members vide our letter No.IG/SOS/2000/208 dt. 22.3.2000 and no comments were received from any member. The Board was requested to confirm the minutes.

21.1.2 The Minutes of the 20th Meeting of the School Board of School of Sciences were confirmed.

Item No.2 Matters arising out of the Minutes

21.2.1 No issue was discussed.

Item No.3 To Co-opt External Members on the School Board

21.3.1 The Chairman informed the members that on receiving a letter from the Governance Cell about the expiry of the term of external members on the School Board, he had requested the various Discipline Groups to suggest, for his guidance, the names of the Experts for the respective subjects for co-option. The Discipline Groups submitted the lists to the Director for being placed before the Board. The Chairman placed the names before the Board for co-option.

It was suggested that two names in each discipline, in order of priority be approved to take care of any exigencies. The Board coopted the following members under first priority:

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| 1. | Prof. Vijay Singh
IIT, Kanpur | Physics |
| 2. | Prof. A.K. Bakshi
Delhi University | Chemistry |
| 3. | Prof. T.P. Singh,
BHU | Life Sciences |
| 4. | Prof. Sobna Madan
IIT, Kanpur | Mathematics |
| 5. | Prof. Anil Sadgopal
CIET, Delhi | General |

The names of Prof. Deepak Kumar, JNU, Prof. J.P. Rawat, AMU, Prof. A.R. Rao, JNU, Prof. A.M. Vaidya, Gujarat University, Ahmedabad and Dr. Protibha Jolly, Delhi University, respectively were adopted under second priority.

Item No.4 To consider the recommendation of School Board Sub-Committee on Ph.D. Programme in Mathematics.

21.4.1 In the 20th Meeting, the Board constituted a three member committee to modify the proposal for Ph.D. programme in Mathematics. The Committee was requested to give its recommendations so that the matter be taken up in the next board meeting. The committee submitted the revised proposal on 10th July 2000. It is appended at Appendix-1.

21.4.2 The Board discussed the proposal at length and made some modifications. The modified version is enclosed as Appendix-2.

Item No.5 To consider the proposal for P.G. Diploma in Applicable Mathematics.

21.5.1 After explaining the background of the proposal, the Chairman requested Dr. Razdan, Co-Programme Coordinator to apprise the Board with the salient features of the programme. Dr. Razdan explained the need of this programme in detail.

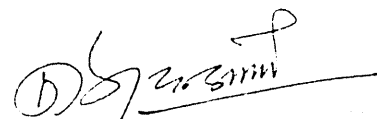
21.5.2 The Board approved the proposal in principle with the following suggestions:

Details of problem solving with computers and computer programming be included. Expert committee Meeting may be called for this purpose, if necessary.

Item No.6 Any other item.

21.6.1 The Chairman informed the Board that the School proposes to launch two Certificate Programmes viz. Certificate Programme in Lab Techniques and Certificate in Teaching of Primary School Mathematics in January 2001.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



(S.C. Garg)
Chairman