

8th S. B. Minutes
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INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY
School of Gender and Development Studies

Minutes of the 8th Meeting of the School Board of the School of Gender and Development Studies

The eighth meeting of the School Board of the School of Gender and Development Studies was held on 16th September, 2010 at 11.00 am in the Conference Room (SOCE), Block G, Academic Complex, IGNOU. The following members attended the meeting.

1. Prof. Parvin Sinclair, Pro Vice Chancellor In charge, SOGDS
2. Prof. Savita Singh, Chairperson
3. Prof. Kamlesh Mohan, Member
4. Prof. Uma Kanjilal, Member
5. Dr. Shubhangi Vaidya, Member
6. Prof. Anu Aneja, Member
7. Prof. Annu J Thomas, Member
8. Dr. Nilima Srivastava, Member
9. Dr. Himadri Roy, Member

Special Invitees

10. Dr. Smita M. Patil, Assistant Professor
11. Dr. J. Vanishree, Assistant Professor
12. Dr. Sunita Dhal, Assistant Professor
13. Dr. G. Uma, Assistant Professor

The Chairperson welcomed Prof. Parvin Sinclair, Pro Vice Chancellor and the members to the 8th meeting of the School Board of SOGDS.

Agenda Item No. 1: Confirmation of minutes of the 7th School Board Meeting of SOGDS

1. The minutes of the 7th School Board meeting held on 20th April, 2010 were confirmed. Members requested SOGDS to submit Action Taken Report on the 7th School Board Meeting Minutes.

The Chairperson of the School Board of SOGDS reported action taken on each item of the 7th School Board meeting as follows:

Item No 2 : Approval of the list of New School Board members – the new School Board members namely Prof.Vibhuti Patel of SNDT Women's University, Mumbai, Dr.Sara Ahmed of IDRC, New Delhi, Prof. Anita Kurup of NIAS, Bangalore and Prof. Reicha Tanwar of Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra accepted the school invitation and agreed to serve as School board members.

Item No 3: Director reported that a few additional names of course writers for the 1 year curriculum of M.A Women's and Gender Studies had been circulated to the School Board.

Item No 4: The School of Gender and Development Studies launched the PG/ M.A in Women's and Gender Studies from July 2010 session with the approved course structure of the first year courses.

Item No 5: A copy of the report of the Need Assessment Survey will be sent to the new PVC for her information.

Item No 6: The School is in the process of developing the M.Phil Programme.

Item No 7: No PhD scholars are assigned to do PhD under Prof. Gail Omvedt's supervision.

Item No 8: Two units on Gender are included in the course Ambedkar philosophy offered by the School of Humanities through Ambedkar Chair.

Item No 9: Co-Guide for Ms.C.Padmasri is finalized and the name of the Co- guide has been sent to the Research Council.

Item No10: It was decided that SOGDS will adhere to IGNOU guidelines for Ph.D. The guidelines will be placed in the School Board. After the approval from the School Board it will be placed in the Research Council and Academic Council for further approval. Course work worth 32-36 credits would be formulated. The guidelines will contain details pertaining to the registration of Ph.D, evaluation, selection of supervisor etc. An expert committee may be constituted for the same.

Item No 11: The approved list of paper setters and evaluators are engaged in the work.

The School Board noted action taken.

Agenda Item No. 17: Approval for conducting a study on Gender Mapping of IGNOU

The school proposes to take up a study on Gender Mapping of IGNOU with the following objectives:

- (i) To collect gender disaggregated data within the University;
- (ii) To assess women's participation in the sphere of University occupations across Disciplines, Schools, and Divisions.
- (iii) To find out women's enrollment ratio in various Programmes in the present context (2010-2011).

The agenda item was approved.

Agenda Item No. 18 : Approval of Programme and Course Codes for ODL and On-Campus courses for the MA Programme in Women's & Gender and Studies (Reporting Item)

The agenda item was approved by circulation earlier. The school board noted the item. PVC suggested that identical course codes may be used for the common courses of ODL and On- Campus mode. In case different credit weightage or course content alteration is proposed, different course codes may be used.

Agenda Item No. 19: Approval of additional names of course writers for first year curriculum, MA programme in Women's and Gender Studies (Reporting Item)

Additional names of course writers were approved by circulation. It was proposed that the CVs of the new course writers have to be appended and sent to the competent authority for further approval.

Agenda Item No 20: The project proposal entitled, "Climate Change and Vulnerability of Women: A Study of Women Farmers in Jagatsinghpur District of Orissa" submitted to UNESCO to undertake the proposed study (Reporting Item)

The School Board noted the progress made in pursuing this relevant project.

Agenda Item No 21: Approval for conducting one day Workshop on Gender Mainstreaming and Gender Budgeting in association with Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India (Tabled item)

The agenda item was approved.

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



(Prof. Savita Singh)