

Minutes of the Eighteenth Academic Council Meet

The Eighteenth Academic Council Meeting of St. Mary's College (Autonomous) was held on 29th July 2020 at 11.00 a.m. through online portal Google Meet. Dr. Sr. A.S. J. Lucia Rose, the Chairperson presided over the meeting.

The following members were present:

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	Dr. Sr. A.S.J. Lucia Rose	Chairperson
	Dr. N. Arokiya Mary	Controller of Examinations
	Sr. F. Mary Joyce Baby	Director - SSC
	Dr. P.J. Joslin	Dean, School of Biological Sciences
	Ms. M. Jothimani	Dean, School of Physical& Computing Sciences
	Dr. Fernando Alexandria	Dean, School of Management& Economics
	Ms. A. Amora	Dean of UGC affairs
	Dr. B. Serena Margaret	IQAC Coordinator
	Dr. Sr. A. Arockia Jenecius Alphonse	Research Coordinator
	Dr. K. Vinitha	Librarian
	Dr. A. Amala Arul Arasi, HoD	Department of Tamil
	Ms. A. Christina, HoD	Department of French
	Ms. A. Judit Sheela Damayanthi, HoD	Department of English
	Dr. M. Mary Hepsibai, HoD	Department of History
	Ms. X. Esther Vimala, HoD	Department of Economics
	Dr.A. Punitha Tharani, HoD	Department of Mathematics
	Dr. S. Euchrista Immaculate Sylvia, HoD	Department of Physics
	Ms. S. Gnanathangam, HoD	Department of Computer Science
	Dr. J. Martin Rathi, HoD	Department of Chemistry
	Dr. M. Glory, HoD	Department of Botany
	Dr. Hermin Pasangha, HoD	Department of Zoology
	Dr. G. Stella Beatrice Nirmala, HoD	Department of Commerce
	Dr. Mary Judith Reene Fernando, (SSC Coordinator)	Department of MHRM
	Dr. V. Joys Selva Mary Albert, (SSC Coordinator)	Department of Microbiology
	Ms. S. Gayathri, (SSC Coordinator)	Department of B.B.A.
	Dr. S. Jeya Bharathi, (SSC Coordinator)	Department of Psychology
	Dr. Sr. S. Kulandai Therese	Member Secretary, Department of Mathematics
	Dr. S. Arulraj	External Expert
	Dr. B. Geetha	External Expert
	Mr. MeenakshiSundaram	External Expert
	Dr. A. I. Auxilia Felicitas	External Expert

Dr. R. Kala	University Nominee
Dr. G. Murugeswari	University Nominee
Dr. K. Swarnalatha	University Nominee
Dr. L. Jacqulaine Leo	Senior Staff, Department of English
Ms. S. Rani Jeyamary	Senior Staff, Department of Chemistry

The meeting commenced with an invocation to the Almighty. Dr. Sr. A.S.J. Lucia Rose, the Principal welcomed the august body and started the proceedings of the meeting.

Dr. S. Kulandai Therese, Member Secretary, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, read the minutes of the seventeenth meeting of the Academic Council and the house confirmed it.

The following agenda were discussed and corresponding resolutions were adopted:

Agenda No 1/7

Feedback Analysis on Curriculum.

Agenda No. 2/7

MOOC

Agenda No. 3/7

Certificate Course

Agenda No. 4/7

CIA Evaluation Pattern

Agenda No.5/7

Website Updation

Agenda No. 6/7

Syllabus for Common Skill Based Core

Agenda No. 7/7

Report of Semester Examination Results for the period May 2019 to October 2019

The External Experts offered the following suggestions:

Dr. A.I. Auxilia Felicitas appreciated the certificate course offered by the Commerce department and said that it would be beneficial for outgoing students in their future. Moreover, she appreciated the common skill-based core course 'Computers for Digital Era and Soft skills' and commented that it would be helpful for all the outgoing students.

Dr. B. Geetha appreciated the management for the tremendous achievements in the last academic year and praised the conduct of various webinars and COVID-19 relief programmes to the needy during the pandemic period. She opined to update the website periodically for institutional grading and for the better service of the students' community. She gave a suggestion to sign MOUs with popular collaborating institutions.

Dr. Murugeswari congratulated the institution for the tremendous efforts and growth in academic development. She offered the following suggestions regarding the Common Skill Based Core Course.

1. If the common skill-based core namely Computer for Digital Era and soft skills is offered as a self-paced online course, the students will be engaged through online course and deficiency in faculty strength shall also be resolved. The online course material may be prepared by any one of the college faculty.

2. If the computer course is not included as part of the curriculum, a separate certificate may be issued to the students who are completing their course successfully so that the students will be benefited.

Ms. M. Jothimani, the Dean, School of Physical & Computing Sciences expressed that the common skill-based core course comes under the regular curriculum and the certificates are issued only to the certificate courses, not to the courses under the regular curriculum. Dr. A.I. Auxilia Felicitas also got clarification that the common skill-based core course is apart from regular skill-based courses. Ms. M. Jothimani, the Dean, School of Physical & Computing Sciences interacted with Dr. A.I. Auxilia that the department of Computer Science will offer the training to handle the paper Computers for Digital Era and Soft skills.

Dr. R. Kala appreciated the college for organising webinars continually in the lock-down period. She recommended subject wise feedback analysis rather than getting common feedback.

Dr. Arulraj suggested internship programmes in Thoothukudi, a city of factories. Dr. Sr. A.S.J. Lucia Rose, the Principal interacted that MHRM students usually undergo Internship training for nearly 40 days during the month of May. She also added that Students of Physics, Chemistry, Botany and Zoology went for training under the Star College Scheme. Dr. Serena Margaret, IQAC co-ordinator, and Dr. P.J. Joslin, Dean of Biological Sciences mentioned that internship training is part of the PG Computer Science and MHRM programme.

Mr. Meenakshi Sundaram suggested that faculty can be motivated to do MOOC as they are free in this pandemic period. He insisted to evaluate the certificate courses to enrich the skills and hands-on training.

Dr. K. Swarnalatha and Dr. A.I Auxilia Felicitas enquired about the CIA evaluation pattern. Dr. Sr. A.S.J. Lucia Rose, the Principal and Dr. N. Arokiya Mary, Controller of Examinations presented that the average is taken from three CIAs based on the survey from the students.

The meeting concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Dr. L. Jacqulaine Leo, Senior Staff, Department of English.

