

Shri Guru Ram Rai University

Patel Nagar, Dehradun-248001, Uttarakhand



MINUTES OF SECOND MEETING

OF

ACADEMIC COUNCIL OF SGRR UNIVERSITY

HELD ON

7th SEPTEMBER 2018, AT 11:00 A.M.

VENUE: SEMINAR ROOM, SGRR UNIVERSITY CAMPUS,

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Minutes of Second meeting of Academic Council of SGRR University, held on 7th September, 2018. At 11:00 A.M. at Seminar Room, SGRRITS Campus

The Following were Present:-

1. Prof (Dr.) P.P Dhyani	Chairman
2. Prof. (Dr) Preeti Kothiyal	Invitee
3. Mr. Vijay Rai	Member
4. Mr. Gaurav Lamba	Member
5. Dr. Rajiv Azad	Member
6. Dr. Deepak Sahani	Member
7. Dr. Ganesh Bhatt	Member
8. Dr. Kumud Saklani	Member
9. Mr. G. D. Makkar	Member
10. Dr. Amandeep Singh	Member
11. Dr. Amit Verma	Member
12. Dr. R. K. Verma	Member
13. Dr. S. C. Pachauri	Member
14. Dr. Ankur Singhal	Member
15. Dr. Arun Kumar	Member
16. Dr. A. K. Mehta	Member
17. Dr. A.K. Saxena	Member
18. Dr. Suchit Kumar	Member
19. Dr. Sulekha Nautiyal	Member
20. Ms. Sheeba Philip, Representing Ms. Jasline John	Member
21. Dr. Geeta Rawat	Invitee
22. Dr. A P Kaushik	Member Secretary

Mr. Arun Dhaundiya Former Secretary, Govt. of Uttarakhand; Dr. V. P. Singh, Dr. Anurag Bijalwan, Dr. Punam Verma, Dr. Vinita Gupta, Prof. Sangeeta Thapliyal, Dr. D. S. Negi, and Prof. Rashmi Gaur could not attend the meeting.

Welcome Address:-The meeting began with a formal welcome address by Member Secretary of Academic Council. Dr. A P Kaushik, Registrar, SGRR University, Preceding ahead, as customary, the Registrar requested all members to introduce themselves before deliberations on Agenda Points.



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Dr. Kaushik thanked Honorable Vice Chancellor, Dr. P. P. Dhyani, for chairing the session and invited him for his remarks. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor welcomed the members to the second Meeting of the Academic Council and presented a brief about the achievements of Shri Ram Rai University since its inception. He informed the august gathering-

- a) Enhancement of 36 Post Graduate seats by Medical Council of India in SGRR Institute of Health Sciences.
- b) Successful conduct of 15 meetings of various statutory bodies.
- c) Re- Accreditation of SGRRIM&HS — SMI Hospital Laboratory.
- d) Approval of 2 NSS Units (one boy and one girl) by Govt. of Uttarakhand.
- e) Creation of 247 Ph. D seats under 21 disciplines.
- f) Publication of 247 research papers by the faculty.
- g) Successful conduct of Board of Studies of various courses/specializations at University.
- h) Signing of 8 MOUs with regional, national and international organizations.
- i) Listing of university in the portals of UGC & AISHE.
- j) Submission of "Inspection Proforma for ascertaining the norms and standards" to UGC. New Delhi.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor requested all the distinguished members to provide their valuable inputs and suggestions or improving academic standards in the university and then requested Pro Vice Chancellor Prof Preeti Kothiyal to make a power point presentation on the Annual Progress of the University.

Honorable Pro Vice Chancellor informed the house that an Annual Report has been prepared by compiling the achievements, progress and activities of the University and its various constituent colleges in the past one year. She further briefed the house about the glorious history of Shri Guru Ram Rai Education Mission and presented a lucid and crisp Annual Report of the University. The members appreciated the steady and satisfactory progress of the newly formed University and expressed their appreciation on the various milestones achieved by it. At this juncture, Chairman Dr. P. P. Dhyani also shared his contentment over the progress of University in a short span of time. He envisaged SGRR University as an instrument in revolutionizing education and healthcare services in Uttarakhand and entire northern India.



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The Honorable Vice Chancellor then invited the Registrar Dr. Kaushik to initiate the proceedings of the meeting. The Registrar thanked the Honorable Vice Chancellor and Chairman to grant permission to initiate the proceedings and reiterated the role of honorable numbers for development of university, designing robust practices and policies a phenomenal growth of the University.

Initiating the business of the day, the Registrar outlined the modus operandi and started the Proceedings.

Agenda Point No. 1: Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting of 1st Academic Council held on October 7th, 2017. (Annexure I)

It was informed to the members that the Minutes of the meeting of Academic Council of Shri Guru Ram Rai University, held on 7th October 2017, have been placed before the house for confirmation.

Member Secretary Dr. A P Kaushik Presented the gist of the proceedings of the 1st Academic Council meeting along with the follow up action for the convenience of all. The members viewed the minutes thoroughly and expressed satisfaction on the follow up actions initiated by member secretary.

Resolution: -:

The minutes of 1st Academic Council Meeting were unanimously confirmed by the house.

Agenda Point No. 2 To consider and approve the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of 1st Meeting of the Academic Council held on October 7th, 2017. (Annexure II)

Resolution: - All members agreed and noted the Action Taken Report.

Agenda Point No. 3: To consider the curriculum and syllabus of various courses as approved by the respective Board of Studies. (Annexure III)

It was informed to the house that as per the provisions or the University Statutes various Board of Studies have been constituted and meeting of the Board have been duly convened by the respective Chairpersons for the course of study, curriculum and methods of assessment in subject or group of subjects. The recommendations of the Board of Studies were placed before the house for discussion/inputs and necessary ratification.

Resolution: The curriculum and syllabus of the various courses as recommended by the respective Board of Studies were resolved to be approved in toto.



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Agenda Point No. 4: To consider and approve of report on university examinations. **(Annexure IV)**

The Registrar requested Dr. Ankur Singhal, Controller of Examination (COE) to present the Examination Report of the University. COE, SGRRU thanked for the opportunity granted and presented an informative report on the University examinations. A brief about various examinations held after the last academic meeting was presented, including the total man power utilization, results, students appeared etc. Examination Calendar for the Session of 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 was also presented. COE also informed the house about the initiation of making university examinations efficient, seamless and secure through utilization of Examination software.

Resolution: Examination Report of the University was resolved to be approved.

Agenda Point No. 5: To consider and approve the research report of the University. **(Annexure V)**

The Registrar, SGRRU requested Dr. Arun Kumar Dean (Research) to present the Research Report of the University. He highlighted the research activities to facilitate academics and sharpen skills. He also mentioned about Research Policy and Ph.D. Ordinance as per UGC Regulation 2016) of the University and admission process. He informed all that two Research Entrance Tests (RETs) have been conducted and a total of 81 research scholars have been registered. Third RET is scheduled to be held on 08th October, 2018.

He further added that to start Innovation Facilitation Centre (IFC) in the university, a proposal has been submitted by the University to National Research Development Corporation (NRDC), an Enterprise of DSIR, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India. Further updates are awaited on the same.

Resolution: Research Report of the University was resolved to be approved in toto.

Agenda Point No. 6: To consider and approve the proposal of University internal Research Assistance to the faculty members. **(Annexure VI)**

Chairman Prof. (Dr.) P.P. Dhyani informed the present members that, in the current scenario, research plays a crucial role in the teaching and learning process. It is important for every faculty member to engage in research activities to stay updated. He further informed the assembly that, recognizing the significance of research, the university has proposed small research assistance for the faculty members of the university, which is now placed before you for approval.

Resolution: The Council resolved to approve the proposal submitted



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Agenda Point No. 7: To consider and approve the student intake in various programs for the academic session 2018-19. **(Annexure VII)**

The Chairman Prof. (Dr.) P.P. Dhyani informed the members that the university has an intake of 2211 students in various programs across all the colleges of the University for academic session 2018-2019.

Resolution: The members of the house resolved to approve the sanctioned student intake in various programs for the academic session 2018-19 in toto.

Agenda Point No. 8: To consider and approve the recruitment of teaching staff **(Faculty intake)** as per the requirement of the University. **(Annexure VIII)**

The member Secretary informed the house that the recruitment of teaching staff, as per the requirement of the University, is under process. The advertisement has been published in leading news paper and uploaded on the university portal; huge number of applications have been received and the selection procedure would be undertaken shortly as per the guidelines of university Act/Statutes and applicable UGC norms for the same.

Resolution: The members resolved to approve the recruitment of teaching staff as per the requirement of the University.

Agenda No. 9: To consider and approve the minimum eligibility conditions, qualification and age of teachers of University. **(Annexure IX)**

The Registrar informed the house that the minimum eligibility conditions, qualification and age of teachers of University have been placed as an annexure no. 6 for the convenience of the distinguished members. The Honorable Chairman also informed the house that to keep the fresh blood flowing in the organization, the retirement/upper age limit of teachers of University should be 60 yrs. However, the same may be extended by 02 years in case of remarkable service and 5 years in case of exemplary service/contribution to the organization subject to the approval of Board of Management. Further to this, he informed that all employees would be periodically reviewed after 50/55 years of age for their performance in order to ascertain whether they should retained or retired from service in public/organizational interest.



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Resolution:

It was resolved to approve the minimum eligibility conditions and qualification for teachers of SGRR University as per the UGC norms. The age of Superannuation/retirement of teachers Of the University (SGRRU) is approved to be 60 yrs.

Agenda Point No. 10: To approve various student scholarship schemes being offered by the university at (Annexure-X)

Resolution:-

After a long discussion, it was resolved to be approved in toto.

Agenda Point No. 11: To approve feedback analysis of students and teachers for the year 2017-18 (Annexure-XI)

Resolution:-

After a discussion, it was resolved to be approved.

Agenda Point No. 12: To confirm and approve 2nd IQAC Minutes of Meeting held on 28.02.2018. The Minutes of meeting of IQAC 2nd meet was placed before the house for approval by the members. All members agreed and approved. (Annexure: XII)

Resolution:-

It was resolved to be approved.

Agenda Point No. 13: Reporting items

1. Start of new academic programs/ Value-added courses in various department/colleges of S.G.R.R. University (Annexure: XIII)

The Chairman Prof. (Dr.) P.P. Dhyani informed to the members of the house that the university has introduced new courses including value added courses in the academic session 2018-19. He further added that the University leadership has kept the unique geographical positioning of Uttarakhand in mind and the various needs of mountain people while proposing the new courses.

The Chairman was happy to inform that the courses have already been approved by the Board of Management and Board of Governors in their meetings held on 24th April, 2018 and 16th May, 2018 respectively. All members appreciated the induction of the new courses and expressed their wishes for the successful implementation of the proposed courses.

2. MOUs with various higher educational & research institutes of national and international repute.



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The Chairman informed the members that after the 1st meeting of Academic Council 5 MOUs have been signed by the University for facilitating collaborative training, education and research with:-

- i. Himalayan University Consortium (HUC) during the Himalayan University Consortium India Members Meet held on 2nd Feb, 2018 at TERI, School of Advanced Studies, New Delhi.
- ii. G.B. Pant University of Agriculture and Technology, Pantnagar, UK. Dated 1st July 2018.
- iii. Uttarakhand Science Education & Research Centre (USERC), Dehradun, dated 24th March 2018.
- iv. All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Rishikesh, dated 18th, April 2018.
- v. Uttarakhand State Council for Science & Technology (UCOST), Dehradun, dated 20th April 2018.
- vi. ACT, 85/14/3 Neshvilla Road, Dehradun Uttarakhand, Dated 16th March, 2018.
- vii. Friends of Himalaya, Indira Nagar, Dehradun, Uttarakhand, dated 11th May 2018.

All members appreciated signing of MOUs with various institutions. Mr. Gaurav Lamba, Dy. Director - CII suggested dire need of industry academia linkages and volunteered to provide all necessary help in this direction. The Honourable Vice Chancellor appreciated the initiative and directed the Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) Preeti Kothiyal to take lead in this direction and coordinate with Mr. Gaurav Lamba for establishing effective ties with industries and corporate houses in the interest of the students.

3. Re- Accreditation of SGRRIM&HS — SMI Hospital Laboratory.

Honorable Vice Chancellor informed the house that SGRRIM&HS SMI Hospital laboratory has been re-accredited by NABL on 6th July, 2018.

Re- Accreditation of laboratory by NABL was appreciated by one and all.

4. Merger/restructuring/renaming of Department/College in S.G.R.R University

The Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) Preeti Kothiyal briefed the house about the background and informed that at the time of inception of the University, five constituent colleges of the parent body SGRR Education Mission were already functioning. The University was formed by the inclusion of these five constituent colleges. She further brought to the notice of the house that each Constituent College/Institute comprised of various departments, which were made independent colleges of SGRR University after the approval of Board of Management and Board of Governors in their meetings held on 24th April, 2018 and 16th May, 2018 respectively. This step was initiated for ease of functioning and efficient administration.

The College, hence are as follows:-



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- Shri Guru Ram Rai College of Management & Commerce Studies
- Shri Guru Ram Rai College of Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Shri Guru Ram Rai College of Computer Applications & Information Technology
- Shri Guru Ram Rai College of Basic & Applied Sciences
- Shri Guru Ram Rai College of Agricultural Sciences
- Shri Guru Ram Rai College of Humanities & Social Sciences
- Shri Guru Ram Rai College of Education
- Shri Guru Ram Rai Institute of Medical & Health Sciences
- Shri Guru Ram Rai Institute of Medical & Health Sciences - College of Nursing
- Shri Guru Ram Rai Institute of Medical & Health Sciences - College of Paramedical Sciences

All members appreciated the move of restructuring/renaming of various Departments as Colleges under University.

5. Creation of College of Mountain Studies

Honourable Vice Chancellor, Dr. P. P. Dhyani informed the house that as discussed in the first meeting of Academic Council the University leadership envisages to start a new College of Mountain Studies. Post Graduate, Under Graduate, Diploma & Certificate courses on mountain disasters, mountain tourism, mountain agriculture, mountain security, mountain climate change & mountain engineering etc. to cater to the needs of all sections of mountain society have been felt necessary. These courses are specially focused on the students of remote, far flung areas of Indian Himalayan region. He further informed the house that creation of a new College of Mountain Studies has already been approved in the 2nd meeting of Board of Management held on 16th Mav 2018. Honorable Vice Chancellor solicited inputs from the august house so that a one of its kind college is created in times to come. He further added that the establishment of College of Mountain Studies would be considered based on availability of infrastructure, manpower and budget.

All members unanimously appreciated the creation of College of Mountain Studies at SGRR Univrsity.

Agenda Point No. 14: To consider any other agenda with the permission of Chair.

1. Quorum:

The Chairman informed the members that the statutory quorum for the meeting of Academic Council is 2/5 and if the quorum is not fulfilled, it would not be possible to convene the meeting of Academic Council. After detailed discussion, the members unanimously recommended that if there is no quorum,



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within half an hour of the time fixed for the commencement of the meeting, then the meeting will be adjourned for one hour. It may be re-convened and such adjourned Academic Council meeting shall have no quorum, it was unanimously approved by all.

2. Number of Academic Council meeting.

The Honorable Vice Chancellor, Dr. P. P. Dhyani informed the members that this newly established university needs to gather sufficient time to fulfill and materialize all the mandatory commitments, related to teaching, training and research at the University. With this background he requested the members to suggest the optimum number of meetings of Academic Council to be convened in a financial year so that all academic activities, functions and commitments of the University proceed simultaneously unhampered. The members unanimously agreed and approved that a minimum of two meetings of Academic Council be conducted in a financial year.

3. Amendments in examination & allied provisions 2017:

Principal, SGRRIM&HS raised the query for 5 grace marks to be given to the medical students as per the norms of the MCI, which was duly approved by the house that Maximum five marks in whole program be given to the student only once during the entire course. It was agreed and approved by one and all present in the meeting.

4. The fixation of fee for various courses

The Honorable Vice Chancellor informed the members that the fixation of fee for various courses was being decided earlier by the duly constituted Fee Committee of the university. However in view of the decision by the Government on 6th June 2018, the fixation of fee (professional courses) is to be done by the Admission & Fee Regulatory Committee as constituted under the provisions of Uttarakhand Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admission & Fixation of Fee) Act 2006 (as amended) by the Government of Uttarakhand. The house unanimously agreed & approved that the fees of all courses run at the University, where counseling is not done by the Government of Uttarakhand, shall be decided by the University Fee Fixation Committee.



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5. Remuneration for teaching staff:

Payment Remuneration of teaching staff was discussed and the members of the house were of the opinion that no remuneration shall be given for internal faculty for question paper setting, evaluation of answer sheets and conduct of Practical Examination etc. as the Academic Council feels that it is the prime duty and responsibility of the teachers of the University. All members agreed.

There being no other point, the meeting ended with vote of thanks by Dr. Kumud Saklani, Principal – College of Basic & Applied Sciences.

Prof. (Dr.) P.P. Dhyani
Chairman

Dr. A.P. Kaushik
Secretary