


**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE SIES COLLEGE OF ARTS, SCIENCE & COMMERCE
(AUTONOMOUS) HELD ON 7th MARCH 2022 AT 11.00 A.M VIA
MICROSOFT TEAMS AND IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE COLLEGE**

Members Present :

Dr. V. Shankar, Chairman of the Governing Council
Shri. P. Sethuraman
Shri. M. V. Ramnarayan
Prof. K. Venkatramani (on line)
Prof. Dr. Asha Shukla (online)
Father Fraser
Prof. Shivaji D. Sargar (on line)
Dr. Satish Sarfare
Dr. Manju Phadke
Dr. Uma Shankar, Principal of the College

Leave of absence was granted to Shri. J. Santhanam


1. The meeting was opened by Honorary president Dr. V Shankar. He spoke on the effect of Pandemic and lockdown on education. He suggested to create a niche in select areas and expand by adding online courses, as the online model of education was far more profitable and shall overcome the space and infrastructure limitations.
2. The minutes of the meeting of the Governing Council held 28th January 2021 were read and confirmed.
3. The minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 19th June 2021 was tabled and the various decisions and recommendations of the Academic Council stated by the Principal of the college were noted and the same were approved by the Governing Council.
4. Principal Dr. Uma Shankar presented a review of the autonomy and college progress in a presentation based on the seven criteria of NAAC.
5. She explained the revised credit system and highlighted upon the credit based inter-disciplinary courses introduced at First Year classes and eventually to other classes to make it 132 credits as suggested by UGC
6. The Principal briefed about the blended teaching learning and evaluation due to Covid. All the staff members had upgraded their skill in online teaching.


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They are much familiar now with many tools use in MS teams which college has provided for teaching.

7. The Governing Council approved the Annual Report of the college for the period ended 31st March 2021.
8. The Income and Expenditure Account of the autonomous college both for the aided and self-financing sections was tabled. After discussions, it was resolved
“That the Income & Expenditure Account of the SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce (autonomous) for the period ended 31st March 2021 be and is hereby approved”.
9. Principal highlighted Upgradation done under RUSA – Gymkhana , Canteen, Humanities Research Centre.
10. President Dr. V Shankar spoke on expansion in the number of universities and said that the autonomy is the first step to form a deemed university. He suggested that an online trading platform should be provided as a demo for students of the capital market courses as to give them a hands-on experience. This would result in an increase in enrolment for the course. Further suggested to start BSc in Sustainable environment as an online program in association with SIES Institute of Environment Management (SIESIEM). He also suggested on starting an online program in packaging technology in association with SIES Institute of Packaging.
11. Principal proposed 2 new Course in the academic year 22-23 – International B.Com/ BAF and PG diploma course in Wealth Management / Investment Banking.
12. Dr. Manju Phadke raised a query regarding the online conduct of practical with respect to the program sustainable environment. The possibility of having 10-day offline contact hours was explained by Principal Dr. Uma Shankar ass a solution.
13. Dr V Shankar emphasized that the staff should be encouraged to complete PhD.
14. The Research Policy initiated by the Research Advisory Committee was presented to the members. It was appreciated by all and the council gave consent for implementation. The policy was meant to encourage and promote research.
15. Dr V Shankar and MV Ramnarayan suggested increase in apron stitching project to 5000 at Kawthewadi. . It was proposed to take help of Dr George on this. Dr V Shankar also said that the college should approach all colleges affiliated to University of Mumbai but located outside Mumbai.


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16. Dr. Uma Shankar enlightened the house about the different modes of internal evaluation that are implemented in the college.
17. Honorary secretary MV Ramnarayan commented on the marginal decline in the number of the online courses taken by the staff in the 2020-2021.
18. The SIES Management is thinking of setting up an incubation centre and involves Venture capitalists. Seed-money would be given to good start-up projects. The alumni of SIES can also benefit from this incubation centre.
19. It was proposed that the health check-up camps by students' of the ADMLT Program which was carried out at Kawthewadi, should reach out to the masses and help identifying cases of Malnutrition and Cancer at an early stage so as to help the patients recover.
20. Dr. Shankar said that participation in sports like table tennis, tennis, cricket, and basketball should be taken seriously, and a coach should be appointed. . Dr. Uma Shankar informed that students of the college have reached national levels in Taekwondo and Chess.
21. Dr M V Ramnarayan commented on the fee collection due from the college as on 28th Feb. The amount totalled to 18.1 lakh. It was reported by the Principal that being Covid year many students have genuine financial crisis.
22. The research policy written by Dr. Satish Sarfare was tabled for approval and was approved.
23. Father Frazer emphasized on implementing the Blooms Taxonomy in a more structured manner.
24. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Uma Shankar.

Chairman

V. Shankar

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