# Minutes of the Board of Management Meeting held on 29.03.2019

Minutes of the Board of Management Meeting held on 29.03.2019 in the Conference Hall, VC Office under the Chairmanship of Dr. D. S. Rao

The following members attended the meeting:

| Sr.<br>No. | Name                           | Designation         | Remarks   |
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| 1.         | Prof.(Dr.) D. S. Rao           | Chairperson         | The Vice-Chancellor   |
| 2.         | Prof. (Dr.) Khushal<br>Vibhute | Member              | Director (ALS) nominated by the Vice Chancellor                   |
| 3.         | Dr. Shrikant Charhate          | Member              | Director (ASET)of the University nominated by the Vice Chancellor |
| 4.         | Dr. Neetin Desai               | Member              | Teacher of the University nominated by the sponsoring body        |
| 5.         | Prof. S. Raghava Chari         | Member              | Teacher of the University nominated by the sponsoring body        |
| 6.         | Dr. Aradhana Khare             | Member              | Teacher of the University nominated by the sponsoring body        |
| 7.         | Dr. Ravi Manuja                | Member<br>Secretary | The Registrar   |

# Item No. 1: To confirm the minutes of the Board of Management meeting dated 13.10.2017 The minutes of the BOM meeting held on 13.10.2017 were placed for confirmation and were confirmed.

# Item No. 2: Report of the action taken on the minutes of the Board of Management meeting held on 13.10.2017 for information.

The report of the action taken on the minutes of the BOM meeting held on 13.10.2017 was placed for information and was adopted.

#### Item No. 3: Re-Constitution of the various Statutory Bodies and Committees.

The Statutory bodies reconstituted as per the norms of the UGC & State Govt. Act, were put up before the Board for approval and it was granted.

# Item No. 4: Update on University progress report.

An update on University Progress Report was submitted by Dr. Neetin Desai and adopted. The progress pertained to the period starting from the submission of a similar report about the university progress report in the last BOM meeting. The Board expressed its satisfaction over the steady growth.

#### Item No. 5: To adopt the minutes of the Academic Council meeting held on 18.10.2018.

The minutes of the Academic Council meeting held on 18.10.2018 were placed before the Board and adopted.

#### Item No. 6: Review of the Admission status for the Academic year 2019-20

The Admission status of the University for the Academic year 2019-20 was discussed. The School wise data pertaining to new admissions for the year 2019-20 was shared by Admissions Department. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor initiated the discussion by pointing out that there were some programs wherein there was a sort of stagnation reached. ASET, ASAS, ASAP were the schools encountering a serious problem of decline in admissions. A comprehensive strategy for brining about an increase in numbers was shared with the Board members by Director Admissions. There were suggestions made by way of better admissions & marketing strategies. Also discussed, thoroughly was the issue of

withdrawals. The exact status taking into account the fees fully paid the /partly paid /withdrawals was shared by Director, Admission & Marketing. It was decided to organize School Connect Program in a very different and result oriented way, so that the outcome could be discernible.

# Item No. 7: Plans for the 3-C and SAP Programs.

The status of 3C admissions for U.S. & U.K. trips of the duration, three months each at both the Campus seriousness us was taken up seriousness, especially in the light of so many applications coming from ASCO for change of course from 3C to normal, as also for refund for the amount paid for US & UK trips. It was decided to provide genuine information to all the students at the time of admissions itself with no gaps remaining in the difference between the fees amount of Summer SAP / General SAP. As per the norms and the guidelines of 3C / SAP no application submitted

the Registrar, Dr. Ravi Manuja, apprised the Board about the 3-C and SAP programs. The 3C students, particularly from ASCO, have not been feeling enthusiastic about the programs and hence are keen to seek withdrawals from 3C Program. The crisis needs to be handled better at the School level as also at the level of Admissions Department. The students opting for 3C programs must be well informed about the fee structure, U.S. & U.K. trip as also about no transfer from 3C program to general programs, but for exceptional circumstances.

## Item No, 8: Report on CRC activities.

A detailed report on Placements submitted by Director, CRC was shared with the Board. The Board required the Director and her team to coordinate with the School Heads and produce better results to improve and enhance the image of AUM.

#### Item No. 9: Internationalization and Collaborations of AUM.

The Registrar shared with the Board the MoUs which had been signed with the Universities abroad, more notably with UoL.

#### **Item No. 10: Status of AUM Funded Projects.**

The Status of AUM Funded Projects: Dr. Desai talked about the practical problems being faced by the AIB Faculty, particularly the ones with funded projects to their credit, in getting the funds released for utilization for the projects. He stressed the need for evolving a mechanism for timely release of funds either through an imprest amount or through grant of approval to the release of funds required. He also opined that this was causing obstacles for getting more funded projects, particularly in view of the delay in submission of utilization certificates.

#### Item No. 11: Status of IQAC activities

Dr. Rao shared with the Board the status of IQAC activities. He stressed upon the need for an active functioning of IQAC at School University Level. He opined that the compilation of IQAC activities could help in preparing the quarterly/Semester/Annual reports of the respective Schools.

#### Item No. 12: Status of NAAC Accreditation

The status of NAAC Accreditation was shared by Dr. D. S. Rao with the members.

#### Item No. 13: Plans for the First Convocation of AUM.

Plans for the 1<sup>st</sup> Convocation of AUM were discussed in detail.

# Item No. 14: Issue of Process of funds utilizations (AUM funded projects)

The issue of evolving a process of funds utilization of AUM funded projects was discussed by the Board and it was decided that it should be taken up with the Head Office through the Registrar.

#### Item No. 15: Status of rankings by NIRF (National Institutional Ranking Framework)

Dr. Rao stressed upon the need for getting registered for being evaluated for seeking the rankings under NIRF.

# Item No. 16: Ratification of Appointments of Teaching, Non-teaching and Support staff.

The appointments of Teaching, Non-Teaching and the Support Staff placed at the annexure -16 were ratified by the Board

## Item No. 17: Ratification of Resignations of Teaching and Non-teaching staff.

The resignations of Teaching, Non-Teaching and the Support Staff placed at annexure-17 were shared with the Board by the Registrar and the ratification was obtained.

#### Item No. 18: Approval of the minutes of the University Research Council held on 16.10.2018.

The minutes of the University Research Council held on 16.10.2018 were put up before the Board and were adopted.

#### Item No. 19: Approval of the minutes of Board of Examinations held on 28.08.2018.

The minutes of the Board of Examinations held on 28.08.2018 were placed before the Board and were approved.

#### Item No. 20: : Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

Dr. Rao talked about need to initiate the process of UGC inspection, NAAC accreditation, NIRF rankings by maintaining the standards of Research, Innovation, Teaching, Infrastructure development, Placements grant of facilities and other relevant strategies/methods.

#### Item No.21: Vote of thanks

The meeting concluded with a formal vote of thanks.

