

MINUTES OF THE 112th MEETING OF THE SENATE HELD ON 19-11-2020 AT 03.00 PM THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCE

Members Present:

Prof. N.V. Ramana Rao

Director, NITW & Chairman, Senate

Shri S. Goverdhan Rao

Registrar & Secretary, Senate

Internal:

1	Dr. K.V. Jayakumar	34	Dr. C.B. Rama Rao
2	Dr. N.V. Uma Mahesh	35	Dr. G.V.S. Nageswara Rao
3	Dr. C.S.R.K. Prasad	36	Dr. N. Narasaiah
4	Dr. M. Chandrasekhar	37	Dr. Asit Kumar Khanra, HoD, MMED
5	Dr. C.B. Kameswara Rao	38	Dr. Sonawane Shirish Hari
6	Dr. P. Ananda Raj	39	Dr. A. Venu Vinod
7	Dr. D. Ramaseshu	40	Dr. A. Sarat Babu
8	Dr. G. Rajesh Kumar	41	Dr. K. Anand Kishore
9	Dr. Deva Pratap	42	Dr. S.G. Sanjeevi
10	Dr. P. Ratish Kumar	43	Dr. R.B.V. Subrahmanyam
11	Dr. V. Ramana Murty	44	Dr. R. Satish Babu, HoD, Biotech
12	Dr. M. Sydulu	45	Dr. J.V. Ramana Murthy
13	Dr. D.M. Vinod Kumar	46	Dr. Y.N. Reddy
14	Dr. D.V.S.S. Siva Sarma	47	Dr. K.N.S. Kasiviswanadham
15	Dr. N. Subrahmanyam	48	Dr. Debashis Dutta
16	Dr. N. Viswanathan	49	Dr. D. Srinivasacharya
17	Dr. V.T. Somasekhar	50	Dr. P. Muthu
18	Dr. S. Srinivasa Rao	51	Dr. L. Ramgopal Reddy
19	Dr. M. Sailaja Kumari	52	Dr. R.L.N. Sai Prasad
20	Dr. S. Srinivasa Rao	53	Dr. D. Dinakar
21	Dr. P. Bangaru Babu	54	Dr. A. Ramachandraiah
22	Dr. A. Venu Gopal	55	Dr. K. Laxma Reddy
23	Dr. N. Selva Raj	56	Dr. V. Rajeswara Rao
24	Dr. G. Amba Prasad Rao	57	Dr. K.V. Gobi
25	Dr. L. Krishnanand	58	Dr. P. Venkata Sri Laxmi
26	Dr. A. Neelakanteswara Rao	59	Dr. Vishnu Shanker, HoD, Chemistry
27	Dr. K.V. Sai Srinadh	60	Dr. M. Ravinder Reddy
28	Dr. R. Narasimha Rao	61	Dr. V. Ramadevi, HoD, SoM
29	Dr. Adepu Kumar	62	Dr. K. Madhavi, HoD, H&SS
30	Dr. V. Suresh Babu	63	Dr. P. Ravi Kumar
31	Dr. T. Kishore Kumar	64	Dr. Dayanidhi
32	Dr. L. Anjaneyulu	65	Dr. P. Madhusudhan Reddy
33	Dr. N. Bheema Rao		

Special Invitees:

1.	Dr. P. Hari Prsaad Reddy, Assoc. Dean (PhD)	2.	Dr. P.V.Suresh, Assoc. Dean-Acad (PG)
3.	Dr. V. Hari Kumar, Assoc. Dean (UG)		



The following members have expressed their inability to attend the meeting:

External:

- 1. Prof. T. Sundarajan
- 3. Dr. (Mrs.) Kirti Srivastava

2. Prof. Debashis Acharya

Internal:

1.	Prof. B.B. Ambarker	4.	Prof. K. Madhu Murthy
2.	Prof. Gunneswara Rao T.D.	5.	Prof. K. Venugopal Reddy
3.	Prof. Bhagwan K Murty		

The Chairman, Senate welcomed all the members of the senate conducted through video conference. He requested Dean Academic to proceed with the agenda.

S.No.	Agenda	Approved / Modifications / Deferred
1.	Approval of minutes of 111 th meeting of the Senate	Approved
2	Guidelines for Conducting Mid / End exams	Dean, Academic informed the senate about the decision made in the Deans and Heads meeting to review the guidelines after conducting Mid Sem exams on LMS. Accordingly, the feedback is taken from all the departments and also from the Students' Council by the Dean, Academic.
		Based on the feedback, Academic Standing Committee meeting has been held on 16-11-2020, to review the guidelines. Dean, Academic presented the minutes of the Academic Standing Committee to the Senate and informed that the committee recommended the same guidelines given for conducting mid semester exams on LMS for conducting End semester examinations also. MCQs are optional and a maximum of 30% MCQs are only allowed. It is further recommended to have a break in between the sections-objective and subjective type questions, in case of having MCQs.
		Senate approved the recommendations of the Academic standing committee on the guidelines for conducting the end semester exams on LMS.
3.	Academic Calendar for B.Tech. I Sem and MCA I Sem.	Dean, Academic presented the academic calendars for both B.Tech. – I sem and MCA – I sem. Senate approved both the calendars.
		Dean, Academic mentioned that there is 3 weeks overlap between the PG and B.Tech. I sem calendar and hence requested the faculty to adjust and cooperate.



4.	Introduction of 6 months internship – request from CCPD	Dean Academic presented the request from CCPD to permit UG students for 6 months internship and also Academic standing committee recommendation on the same. Members discussed thoroughly and felt that it requires good exercise and discussion and it can be considered for next curriculum revision.
5.	1 st Year B.Tech. Coursework	Departments are requested to discuss the possibility of introducing reducing the syllabus / issues in offering laboratory classes / trimester / any other suggestions for smooth onboarding of first year students.
		Most of the Departments expressed that No Changes are required to the current semester system and are also ready to handle the laboratory classes.
		Dean Academic informed the Senate that 2 to 3 faculty members have been nominated by the HoDs from each department to act as mentors for smooth onboarding of B.Tech. I Year students, In addition, about 50 student volunteers are identified by the Academic section and the Students' council from 2 nd / 3 rd / 4 th year B.Tech. to guide and mentor the first year students for various issues related to academic matters.
6.	Course end feedback for online teaching	Dear Academic presented the revised feedback forms for course and instructor by including some questions on online teaching. Members raised some objections on the points and Chairman, The Advisor QAAA is asked to revise the forms in consultation with Prof. A. Ramachandraiah, and to be recommended by the Academic Standing Committee. In view of the paucity of time, Senate authorised the Chairman Senate to approve the forms and the same may be placed in the next. Senate for ratification.
Any o	ther items:	
7.	Ph.D admissions	Dean, Academic has presented the consolidated list of vacancies in Ph.D seats in all the depts. He has also presented the proposed two stage shortlisting criteria for Ph.D admissions. As this resulted in lot of discussion, Chairman Senate referred the Stage-1 & 2 to the Academic standing committee to deliberate, discuss and come up with the recommendations. Senate authorized the Chairman Senate to approve the same. However, Cut-off marks for shortlisting are approved by the senate.
8.	Chemical Engg. Dept. – Introduction of new electives	Dean Academic presented the proposal of Chemical Engineering Department along with the DAC UG recommendations to introduce three new elective



		courses - Chemical Process Modelling; Membrane Technology; Molecular Simulations in Chemical Engineering.
		The same is approved by the Senate, however Head, Chemical Engineering department is asked to take the opinion of any senior professor from other institutes (IIT / NIT / ICT / etc.) on the syllabus and finalize. Also suggested to include new editions in the text/reference books
9.	Civil Engg. Dept. – Introduction of additional elective as part of SPARC project	Senate approved introducing additional elective – 'Fundamentals of Land-Atmosphere Interactions Hydrologic Extremes in a Changing Climate' for M.Tech. RS & GIS.
10.	Ph.D guidance – Request from ECE	Allotting Co-supervisors for the two Part-time candidates Mr. Rakesh and Mrs. Revathi is not approved. Senate requested the Head, ECE to see that the main supervisor to be present physically / online during the DSC meetings.
11.	Ph.D scholars – Request from CSE	Change of supervisor to Mr. G. Srinivas, full time scholar is approved.
		Request for conversion from full time to part time in case of Mr. B. Satish Babu. After lot of discussion, the senate decided not to consider his request.
		Request for change of supervisor for Mr. Praveen Gugulothu and Ms. Manchala Pravali are approved.
12.	Request from MED	Request for conversion from full time to part time in case of Mr. B. Thirupathi is not approved.
13.	Results of Mr.Shivaraj Biradar (181823), M.Tech. in GTE and Mr.Issa Baddour (187508), M.Tech. in CSE	The results are approved.
14.	Offering open elective "Business for Non Business Professionals" for B.Tech.	Approved. However as there is overlap between a few of the topics in the suggested syllabus with some of the existing courses, the syllabus may suitably be changed.
15.	Guidelines for laboratory evaluation	Dean, Academic presented the suggestions to conduct the laboratory exams as mentioned below: Continuous evaluation for 60 or 70 marks Quiz & Viva-Voce exam for 40 or 30 marks
		Based on the discussion, the Chairman Senate told that the freedom is given to the faculty to decide the nature and mode of evaluation. However, the same shall be approved in the respective DAC.
16.	Evaluation of B.Tech. Project	Dean Academic presented the representation from Head of ECE on discrepancy with regard to B.Tech.



		project evaluation in curriculum and rules & regulations. Senate recommended to modify the point on B.Tech. project mentioned in Rules and regulations and the same shall be evaluated for 2 Credits in the current semester.
17.	Dropping of Extra Electives in IV Year, II Sem – Request from Student Council	Dean, Academic has informed that the issue has already been discussed in 111 th Senate and approved
18.	Introduction of forms for PhD and PG	Dean Academic presented the objective for introducing the forms for PhD and PG as to make the forms available at one place for the convenience of students and faculty and to streamline and automate the process in the academic section. He also said that the suitable forms for UG are under preparation. Senate has approved the same.

Chairman, Senate thanked everyone present.

SECRETARY

CHAIRMAN