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MINUTES OF THE 52nd GOVERNING BODY MEETING HELD ON 25th SEPTEMBER 2018

The 52^{nd} Governing Body Meeting of St. Joseph's College was held at 11.00 a.m. in Toulouse Hall on 25^{th} September 2018. The following members were present during the meeting:

- Rev. Dr. Leonard Fernando SJ, Rector
- Rev. Dr M. Arockiasamy Xavier SJ, Principal and Secretary of the GB
- Rev. Dr A. Antony Pappuraj SJ, Secretary, St Joseph's College
- Dr. V.Sujatha, Principal, Cauvery College for Women, Tiruchirappalli, Eminent Expert
- Prof. K.A. Jayakumar, Deputy Principal
- Rev. Dr S. Aruldoss SJ, Vice Principal
- Rev. Fr. K. Royappan SJ, Campus Treasurer
- Rev. Dr C. Joe Arun SJ, Director, St Joseph's Institute of Management
- Dr. I. Arul Rayappan, Head Department of Physics (Staff Representative)
- Dr. S. Joseph Arul Jayraj, Head, Department of English (Staff Representative)
- Dr S. Alfred Cecil Raj, Dean-IQAC
- Dr S.R. Senthilkumar, Dean-School of Biological Sciences
- Dr. L. Arockiam, Dean-School of Computing Sciences
- Dr. G. Beschi, Dean-School of Languages & Culture
- Rev. Dr K. Arockiam SJ, Dean-School of Management Studies
- Dr N. Ravi, Dean-School of Physical Sciences
- Dr A. Paulraj, Controller of Examinations

Rev. Dr. Leonard Fernando, SJ, Vice- Chairman of Governing Body, called the meeting to order. Rev. Dr .S. Aruldoss SJ, Vice Principal invoked the blessings of Almighty God with a solemn prayer.

Rev. Dr. M. Arockiasamy Xavier SJ, the Principal and Secretary of the GB, welcomed the members present for the meeting. He welcomed Rev. Dr. Danis Ponniah, SJ, Provincial and Chairman of Governing Body in his absence. He welcomed Rev Dr. Leonard Fernando S.J by mentioning his valuable support in academic and administrative endeavor. He also welcomed Rev. Dr. A. Antony Pappuraj S.J by pointing out his interest in uplifting the standard of the college. He further welcomed Dr. S. Usha, State Government representative and Regional Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Tiruchirappalli and Dr L. Uma, the University Representative and Professor of Marine Biotechnology, Bharathidasan University in their absence. And he also welcomed Dr V. Sujatha, Eminent Expert, Principal, Cauvery College for Women Tirucirappalli.



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While initiating the proceedings, Rev. Dr. Leonard Fernando S.J sought the blessing of God Almighty since the college is going to inaugurate its Dodransbicentennial

Celebrations. He emphasized the words of Superior General of Jesuits, Rev. Dr. Arturo Sosa S.J that intellectual work requires absolute effort and dedication. He also appreciates the applications developed by the students in the joint venture of Swatch Barath in order to serve the society which is the primary mission of the Jesuits.

Dr. N. Ravi, Dean, School of Physical Sciences presented the minutes of the 51st Governing Body Meeting that was held on 27th February 2018. Fr. Secretary pointed out that the matters pertaining to the semester question paper pattern in B.Com which was raised by Dr. Charlaas ,HoD of Commerce Department, during 51st Governing Body meeting was not explained clearly in the minutes. He also mentioned that there is no board of studies for Schools so it has to be mentioned Board of Studies of the department. Fr. Rector underlined that the department of foundation course has to be mentioned as Department of Human excellence. Taking up the corrections, the minutes of the 51st Governing body were passed.

Dr. G. Beschi, Dean of School of Languages and Culture read out the minutes of 42nd Academic Council Meeting held on 11th April 2018. It was passed after the approval. Rev. Dr. L. Arockiam, S.J, Dean, School of Management Studies presented the recording matters pertaining to the academic activities by giving the details of the students admitted in the academic year2017-2018.

Dr A. Paulraj, the Controller of Examinations, presented a detailed report on students' performance in semester examinations in April 2018. He noted that the results trend among the various UG programs are improving over the semesters. A striking feature to be noted is that most of the PG programs fall in the descriptor A. The pass percentage has shown an upward trend in higher semesters compared to II semester which is a sign of continuous improvement shown by the students and competence of the faculty members.

At this juncture, Rev. Fr. Rector appreciated both staff and students for showing involvement in teaching and learning which is evident in the result of the academic year.

Rev. Fr. Secretary enquired the reason for the large number of failures in Semester II.

Fr. Principal clarified that the shift from the school to college affects the students and moreover most of them were from Tamil medium so they need time to improve and they show considerable improvement in the V and VI semester.

Fr. Aruldoss pointed out the low results and unruliness of the students in the second year and Dr. V. Sujatha, Eminent Expert said it is the general phenomena in all the colleges and the students will become more focused in the final year. Fr. Rector urged the members to take some initiative to make the students to have more focus in their studies in III semester and Fr. Principal told the HODs concern have to take care of it and proper counseling must be given for the students.



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Fr. Secretary showed his concern over the slackness shown towards foundation course exams by the students. Dr. S. Joseph Arul Jayraj pointed out that since the marks of the foundation course were not taken for overall percentage, the students are lethargic.

Dr. L. Arockiam Dean-School of Computing Sciences read out the details of Ph. D. Registration during 2017-2018. Dr. S. Joseph Arul Jayraj stated that admissions for other state students can be restricted for PhD since, a large number of them are admitted, they curb the opportunity of our students. Dr. V. Sujatha, Eminent Expert also seconded it. Fr. Principal asked the PhD guides to admit at least one student with JRF scholarship. Dr S. Alfred Cecil Raj, Dean-IQAC, pointed out that number of guides in the Department of Biotechnology is given wrongly in the list (5 or 6)and he also said that the number of guides in MBA can be added in the list.

Dr. S. R. Senthilkumar, Dean, School of Biological Sciences read out the financial Expenditure, receipt of UGC funds and approval of Autonomy Grant Budget. Rev. Fr. K. Royappan S.J, Treasurer, presented the Endowments scholarships and details of scholarships received by the students. Fr. Secretary presented the main financial statement and all the three were approved by the board.

Fr. Secretary mentioned the legal procedures undertaken by the institution regarding the appointment of teaching and non teaching staff members and also mentioned that the case was filed for the appointments of 2017 batch.

Dr. I. Arul Rayappan, Staff Representative read out the list of various committees and it was approved.

Rev. Dr. C. Joe Arun S.J, Director, JIM, presented the report of the JIM. He mentioned about the new curriculum, startup ideas and Annual Faculty Retreat. He also stated that the admission has increased and more number of engineers has been admitted. Dr. V. Sujatha, Eminent Expert, insisted on the establishment of the incubation. She also recommended taking students to IIT Chennai for their learning about incubation. Fr. C. Joe Arun clarified that with the help of Dr. Muthusingaram the Director of IIT, JIM is conducting its placement interviews and he also comes twice in a year to validate the process of the students. Dr. V. Sujatha insisted on having Campus Company. Fr. C. Joe Arun mentioned that JIM is in the process of starting incubation with the help of Dr. Muthusingaram the Director of IIT.

Fr. Principal was happy to announce that RUSA has announced Rs. 2 Cr for the college and UGC has given approval for the extension of VISCOM department.



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The members of the Governing Board had a discussion on the policies which was proposed in 51st Governing Body meeting which was held on 27th February 2018. The policies related to (1) Promotion of Research and (2) Consultancy including shares were discussed and passed. (3) Policies allied to Research, especially for Ph.D. students were deliberated deeply by the members. And it is concluded that (4) Specific Code of Ethics in research work will be introduced with explicit emphasis on the consequences of Plagiarism and Malfunctioning.

The board took up the discussion related to the policies on producing (5) Handbook on Code of Conduct for students and teachers and (6) Handbook on Manuals and Brouchers on Human Values and Professional ethics. After discussing the points to highlight in the above mentioned policies, it was passed

The Members of the Governing Board also dwelled on insisting policies related to the (7) Core values of the institution and (8) Professional code of Statutory Bodies and Regulatory authorities. The policies were passed after taking the valid point given by the members into consideration.

Fr. Principal was happy in bringing up the above mentioned policies which will help in enhancing the quality of the institution. He further mentioned that the college is getting ready for the celebration of 175th Jubilee year. A variety of program is meticulously planned and is to be staged to students, staff and alumni/ne and general public. He added that the website committee is working hard to develop a new website for the college and he thanked the team for it. He also thanked Deans, staff and students for helping the institution to get good ranking in NAAC.

Dr. S. Joseph Arul Jayraj presented the report of Alumni/ae Association. Fr. Rector was happy that more students were added in Alumni Association because it is one of the criteria in NAAC Accreditation

Prof K. A. Jayakumar, Deputy Principal proposed a vote of thanks. The meeting ended at 1.30 pm.



Principal