

# Shri Guru Ram Rai University

Patel Nagar, Dehradun 248001, Uttarakhand



MINUTES OF FOURTH MEETING

OF

ACADEMIC COUNCIL OF SGRR UNIVERSITY

HELD ON

9<sup>th</sup> November, 2019, AT 3.30 P.M

VENUE: SEMINAR HALL, SGRR UNIVERSITY CAMPUS,

PATEL NAGAR, DEHRADUN



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The fourth meeting of Academic Council was held on 09.11.2019 at Seminar Hall, SGRR University at 3:30 p.m. The following were present:-

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| 1. Prof. (Dr.) P.P. Dhyani, Vice Chancellor                                      | Chairman         |
| 2. Dr. D.S. Negi, Former PVC, HNBGU, Srinagar                                    | External Member  |
| 3. Mr. Gaurav Lamba, Dy. Director, CII, Uttarakhand Chapter                      | External Member  |
| 4. Dr. Anil Mehta, Dean, School of Medical and Health Sciences                   | Member           |
| 5. Dr. Deepak Sahni, Dean, School of Management & Commerce                       | Member           |
| 6. Dr. Kunai Kishor, Dean, SGRRIM&HS School of Paramedical Sciences              | Member           |
| 7. Mrs. Ramalakshmi, Dean, SGRRIM&HS School of Nursing                           | Member           |
| 8. Dr. Kirtima Upadhyay, Dean I/C, School of Education                           | Member           |
| 9. Dr. Geeta Rawat, Dean L/C, School of Humanities & Social Sciences             | Member           |
| 10. Dr. Maneesha Singh, Dean I/C, School of Agriculture Sciences                 | Member           |
| 11. Dr. Kumud Saklani, Dean L/C, School of Basic and Applied Sciences            | Member           |
| 12. Dr. Alka Chaudhary, Dean L/C, School of Pharmaceutical Sciences              | Member           |
| 13. Dr. Sanjay Sharma, Additional Exam Controller                                | Invitee          |
| 14. Mrs. Suman Singh, Deputy Exam Controller                                     | Invitee          |
| 15. Dr. Yogendr Bahuguna, Assistant Professor, School of Pharmaceutical Sciences | Invitee          |
| 16. Dr. Manoj Rana, Registrar & Dean, School of CA & IT                          | Member Secretary |

Mr. Arun Dhaundiyal, former Secretary, Government of Uttarakhand, Mr. Vijay Rai, Managing Director, APEM, Saviour US INC, Delhi NCR; Prof. Rashmi Gaur, Dept. of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT, Roorkee, Prof. Sangeeta Thapliyal, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi; Dr. Seema Acharya, HOD, SMIH, Pathology, SMIH; Dr. Tripti Mangain, Head-Dept. of ENT, SMIH; Dr. Shobhit Garg, Dept. of Psychiatry, SMIH could not attend the meeting due to prior engagements.

#### **Welcome Address:-**

At the outset, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor welcomed the members to the fourth meeting of the Academic Council and right away, introduced, Dr. Manoj Rana, as a new Registrar of SGRR University who also happens to be the Member Secretary of the University Academic Council.



Soon after, Honorable Vice Chancellor briefed the members about the progress made by the University since last meeting of the Council held on 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2019. In this regard, he made the special mention of — (i) lauded all the faculty and staff members for their splendid efforts in counseling the admission seekers with a result that one thousand fifty more students were enrolled in different UG/PG courses as compared to last year; (ii) in the span of 9 months, the University conducted examinations 11 times which is a remarkable achievement for a newly established University like ours; (iii) organized 4 meetings of statutory bodies — 4th Board of Governors meeting on 16/03/2019, 5th Research Committee meeting on 03/08/2019, 4th Board of Examination meeting on 30/09/2019, and 4th Fee Committee meeting on 31/10/2019 which again shows the strength and potential of University in its pursuit for excellence; (iv) successfully conducted UGC inspection from March 6 to 8 this year. He further informed the house that the 11 members team from seven statutory bodies hailing from different States, based on rigorous scrutiny, made 21 observations and gave 8 suggestions for compliance.

Thereafter, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor invited Member-Secretary, Dr. Manoj Rana to conduct the proceedings of the meeting. Initiating the business of the day, the Registrar started the proceedings.

**Agenda -1:** Confirmation of Minutes of Third Meeting of Academic Council held on 20th February 2019. **(Annexure-I)**

It was informed to the members that Minutes of the meeting of Third Academic Council of Shri Guru Ram Rau University, held on 20th February 2019, have been placed before the house for confirmation.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor briefed the gist of the proceedings of the Third Academic Council. The members reviewed the minutes thoroughly and expressed satisfaction.

**Resolution:** The house unanimously confirmed the Minutes of the meeting of Third Academic Council held on 20th February, 2019.

**Agenda -2:** Action Taken Report on the Minutes of Third meeting of Academic Council held on 20th February, 2019. **(Annexure-II)**

The Action Taken Report was subjected to scrutiny before the house. All members expressed their appreciation towards the action initiated and steps taken. The house especially lauded the efforts of Dean Research, Dr. Arun Kumar, in obtaining Anti Plagiarism detection software from UGC and that too free of cost which otherwise would have cost more than 1.25 lakhs annually.

**Resolution:** The Action Taken Report was approved by the house.

**Agenda -3:** Consideration and approval of curriculum and syllabus various course. **(Annexure-III)**

As per provisions of the University Statutes, meetings of Board of Studies were conducted by School of Humanities and Social Sciences for introduction of new courses in the



Departments of Yogic Science, English and Psychology. The concerned Dean also briefed the house above the Board of Studies. At this point, a healthy deliberation on the frequency of BOS took place. Dr. Deepak Sahni was of the opinion that BOS should be held once in 3 years while Dr. Kumud Saklani was of the opinion they should be held every year. At this point, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor intervened and emphasized the need of having BOS at regular intervals before that, he also invited External Member, Dr. D. S. Negi for his opinion who was also of similar view.

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

**Agenda -4:** Consideration and approval of 01 year Fellowship Programme in the Department of Radio diagnosis, SMIH 2019-20 onwards. (**Annexure-IV**)

To fulfill the requirement of Senior Resident Doctors as per MCI norms with additional benefits to the organization, one year Fellowship Programme in two domains (one seat each in Neuroradiology, and Vascular and Interventional Radiology) was introduced in the Department of Radio diagnosis, SMIH Hospital, School of Medical Sciences from 2019-20 academic sessions onwards.

**Resolution:** It was resolved to approve the introduction of the Fellowship Programme as proposed.

**Agenda -5:** Consideration and approval of Report on Research. (**Annexure-V**)

The Research Report for year 2018-20 along with the minutes of 5th Research Committee were placed before the house for consideration. Dean Research, Dr. Arun Kumar, made a PowerPoint presentation in which he lighted the following achievements:

- Enrollment of 257 research scholars in 24 disciplines;
- Organization of 3-day Workshop on 'SPSS Software Handling for Research Analysis, for Ph.D. Scholars;
- URKUND' Plagiarism detection software was obtained from UGC, free of cost;
- All the research Supervisors of the SGRR University were registered with URKUND as mandated by UGC; and,
- 64 Ph.D. Scholars enrolled in the latest batch.

**Resolution:** The Report on Research was resolved to be approved.

**Agenda 6:** To confirm and approve 4th & 5th IQAC Minutes of Meeting held on 08.04.2019 and 21.10.2019. (**Annexure- VI & VII**)

The Minutes of meeting of IQAC 4th & 5th meet was placed before the house for approval by the members.

**Resolution:** It was resolved to be approved.



**Agenda -7: Consideration and Approval of Report on Examination. (Annexure- VIII)**

The Examination Report (20/02/2019 to 08/11/2019) was placed before the house. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor informed the members that examinations, including one Pre-Ph.D. ESE, were conducted 12 times by the University in the period of last 9 months after the last academic council meeting which was held in February 2019. It is also an excellent achievement for a newly established University.

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

**Agenda -8: Consideration and Approval of Annual Report of the University.**

The copy of Annual Report for 2018-19 was placed before the house. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor informed the members that University is legally bound to send the report to the Visitor, the Honorable Governor of Uttarakhand and to the State Government at the end of every calendar year after approval of Board of Management and Board of Governors of the University. He informed the house that from next year the respective Deans will provide School-wise details in the prescribed format highlighting the major activities of the academic year to the Registrar, who will be solely responsible for preparation of the Annual Report of the University as per the provisions of the Act/Statutes. At this point, the Chair requested Dr. Yogendr Bahuguna to highlight the major achievements of last academic year which were as under:

- Introduction new courses in Yogic Science and Pharmaceutical Sciences;
- Increase of 34 MD/MS seats by MCI;
- Introduction of Ph.D. in 3 new disciplines;
- Agricultural Conference conducted in association with USERC;
- Statutory committees like Legal Cell, Audit Committee constituted;
- Proctorial Board, Discipline Committee and ICC constituted;
- 18 Seminars/workshops/conferences conducted;
- More than 862 students enrolled in MOOCs in SWAYAM platform of UGC; and,
- Publication of 385 Research papers in peer-reviewed journals by the Scholars/faculties.

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

**Agenda-09: Reporting Items.**

- Affiliation of various courses of School of Nursing (2018-19 onwards): It was brought to the notice of the house that School of Nursing came into the fold of SGRR University as its constituent unit w.e.f. from 2018-19 academic session after completing all the statutory requirements and recognition of Indian Nursing Council and State Nursing Council.
- Enrollment of students in MOOCs of UGC: More than 862 students from 10 Schools have been registered with SWAYAM platform of Govt. of India in 130



odd courses. Thus, a step towards aliening SGRR University with national level initiatives of Govt. of India which would matter a lot in future UGC inspections.

- Setting of question papers in Hindi & English: Initiated steps for the benefit of the students coming from Hindi medium schools.
- Discontinuation of MOU signed with the Institute of Clinical Research India: The MOU discontinued in May 2019 due to non-compliance of terms and conditions by ICRI.

**Agenda Point 10:** To Consider and approve student scholarship schemes that can be offered to by the University for the session 2020-2021. **(Annexure-IX)**

The Registrar informed the assembly that the university is placing special emphasis on expanding higher education opportunities by offering substantial financial support to various sections of society. This support enables individuals who might otherwise be unable to afford it to access higher education. This initiative Promotes inclusivity and ensures that deserving students from diverse backgrounds can pursue their educational aspirations.

**Resolution:-** After discussion, it was resolved to be approved in toto.

**In addition to the above, the house also took note of the following:-**

- Minutes of 4th Board of Governors meeting held on 16/03/2019;
- Minutes of 5th Research Committee meeting held on 03/09/2019;
- Minutes of 4th Board of Examination meeting held on 30/09/2019;
- Minutes of 4th Fee Committee meeting held on 31/10/2019;

**Any other Items.**

- Honorable Vice Chancellor informed the house that from next year, presentation by Deans about School-level Academic Progress (made in the previous academic year) will be made and it should be one of the mandatory agenda items of the Academic Council.
- Soon after, the Chair invited respective Deans, to update the house about their achievements one-by-one. The Deans did apprise the house, which hardly impress the Chair who wanted a very good presentation which should include mention of achievements, innovation, vision, etc. He further emphasized that a Power Point presentation of at least 10 slides should include prominent academic activities like seminars/workshops/conferences, projects, funds generated through internal resources, placement opportunities at the School be made by the Deans according to a standard format to be devised by a team comprising of Dr. Arun Kumar, Dr. Kunal Kishor and Dr. Manoj Rana.
- Thereafter, Honorable Vice Chancellor requested the members, particularly the Deans to provide their valuable suggestions/future plans for guiding the University in years to come.



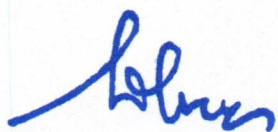
- Mr. Gaurav Lamba emphasized upon the need of having more MOUs with the industry which would provide more exposure and additional placement opportunities to the students.
- Dr. Alka Chaudhary informed the house that they have planned to increase seats in B. Pharm course from existing 60 seats to 100 seats from next academic session for which process to get PCI approval has already been started.
- Dr. A.K. Mehta also apprised the house that he hopes to start 3 DM (2 seats each in disciplines of Nephrology, Cardiology and Medical Cardiology) and 3 MCH (2 seats each in the disciplines of Neuro Surgery, Plastic Surgery and Urology) courses from academic year 2020-21 for which they have already applied to the MCI.
- Besides, Dean, School of Agricultural Sciences; Dean, Management & Commerce Studies;  
Dean School of Basic & Applied Sciences; and, Dean, School of Humanities & Social Sciences also proposed to introduce new courses from 2020-21 academic years in their respective Schools as per details below:

S. No.	Name of the Proposed Course	-	No. of Seats
1.	M.Sc. (Agriculture) Entomology	-	10
2.	M.Sc. (Agriculture) Plant Pathology	-	10
3.	M.Sc. (Agriculture) Seed Science & Technology	-	10
4.	M.Sc. (Agriculture) Soil Science	-	10
5.	M.P.H. (Master in Public Health)	-	20
6.	M.Sc. Mathematics	-	10
7.	Ph.D. Mathematics	-	04

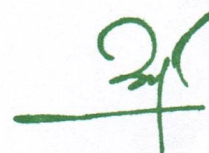
**Vote of Thanks:**

Member Secretary, Dr. Manoj Rana, thanked all the honorable members for sparing their valuable time, active participation in the meeting and contributing for the growth and development of SGRR University.

There being no other point, the meeting was declared to be over.



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



[Prof. (Dr.) Manoj Rana]  
Member Secretary