# JUSTICE BASHEER AHMED SAYEED COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (Autonomous) CHENNAI – 600 018

Minutes of the Twenty-first (21st) Meeting of the Academic Council of the Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women held on Wednesday, the 7th March 2018 at 10.30 a.m. in the S.I.E.T. Sports Pavilion Hall.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

1. Dr. Shanaz Ahamed : Principal, Chairperson

2. Dr. B. Venugopal : Associate Professor

Department of Legal Studies

University of Madras

Chepauk, Chennai - 600 005

**University Nominee** 

3. Dr. Tamil Selvi : Professor & Head

Department of Kannada

University of Madras, Marina Campus

Chennai – 600 005 University Nominee

4. Mr. K. Allaudin : Director

S-IAS Academy, Chennai Management Nominee

5. Dr. T.J. Kamalanabhan : Professor and Head

Department of Management Studies

Indian Institute of Technology

Chennai – 600 036 Management Nominee

6. Dr. (Mrs.) Sanjida Haris : Former Principal

JBAS College for Women (Autonomous)

Management Nominee

7. Dr. Rayeesunisa : Member Secretary

Assistant Professor nominated by the Principal

Dept. of Commerce – F.N. Session

8. Mrs. Rasheeda Banu : Senior Faculty Member Associate Professor nominated by the Principal

Dept. of Home Science – F.N. Session

9. Mrs. A. Faiz Jahan : Senior Faculty Member Assistant Professor nominated by the Principal

Dept. of English - F.N. Session

10. Mrs. G. Meenakshi : Senior Faculty Member nominated by the Principal

Department of Computer Science - A.N. Session



11. Mrs. A. Iffath Jehan : Senior Faculty Member Assistant Professor nominated by the Principal

Department of C.S. & I.S.M. - A.N. Session

12. Dr. Amthul Azeez : Vice-Principal (F.N. Session)

13. Mrs. M. Jabeen : Vice-Principal (A.N. Session)

14. All Heads of the Departments : Forenoon and Afternoon Sessions

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

1. Dr. Amutha Santhanam : University Nominee

Prof. S. Mahdi A. Rizvi : Management Nominee

#### SPECIAL INVITEES:

i. Mr. Faizur Rahman Sayeed : Correspondent

ii. Dr. Mercy Rajasekar : Controller of Examinations

iii. Mr. R. Selvam : Financial Consultant

iv. Dr. S. Jameela : Director, Centre for Women's Studies

### 1. Recitation from the Holy Qur"an:

The meeting commenced with the recitation of the verses from the Holy Quran and its translation in English by Mrs. Rasheeda Banu, Associate Professor, Department of Home Science.

#### 2. Welcome Address:

Dr. Shanaz Ahamed, the Chairperson and the Principal of the College welcomed the University and Management Nominees to the Twenty-first Academic Council Meeting. The Principal also welcomed the Correspondent, the Controller of Examinations, Vice-Principals of the Forenoon and Afternoon Session, the Heads of the Departments of the Forenoon and Afternoon Session and the Members to the twenty-first meeting of the Academic Council. She introduced the newly inducted University Nominees, Dr. B. Venugopal and Dr. Tamil Selvi to the Council. The University Nominee, Dr. Amutha Santhanam and Management Nominee, Prof. S. Mahdi A. Rizvi were unable to attend the meeting due to unavoidable circumstances.

### 3. Examination Result Analysis:

The Principal gave a brief report on the examination process of our College and presented the Result Analysis of the November 2017 Examinations of the Undergraduate, Post-graduate and M.Phil. Courses of both the Forenoon & Afternoon Session.

#### Forenoon Session:

The overall pass percentage for the Under-graduate Courses in the Forencon Session was as follows:

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I Semester 91.46%, III Semester 96.87% V Semester 96.80%

In the I Semester, the B.Com. and B.Sc. Interior Design & Decor Courses secured 100% results. In the III Semester, B.Sc. Psychology, B.Sc. Chemistry, B.Sc. Zoology and B.Sc. Clinical Nutrition & Dietetics Courses secured 100% results. In the V Semester, B.Sc. Psychology secured 100% results.

The overall pass percentage for the Post-graduate courses was as follows:

I Semester 97.24% III Semester 97.86%

Among the Post-graduate Departments, M.Sc. Child Development & Child Nutrition and M.A. English secured 100% results in both I and III Semesters. M.Com. secured 100% results in the I Semester. M.Sc. Applied Psychology and M.Sc. Zoology secured 100% results in the III Semester.

In the Foundation course, the overall pass percentage was 97.26% in I Semester and 98.94% in the III Semester.

- Mr. K. Allaudin, Management Nominee, while congratulating the Heads of Department and faculty who produced more than 90% of results, expressed concern over the low performance of I Year B.A. Historical Studies (53.85%), I B.Sc. Nutrition and Dietetics (80.49%) and I B.Sc. Zoology (72.34%).
- Mrs. S. Nazeemunnisa Begum, Head, Department of Historical Studies, responded that the students of B.A. Historical Studies are first generation learners from economically backward strata of the society. They also take up part-time jobs to fund their education. Students admitted in the course are mostly from the vernacular medium and do not take up B.A. History out of interest but, due to compulsion. Remedial measures are being taken in the form of extra classes which are conducted regularly in order to improve the performance of the students.
- Mr. K. Allaudin, Management Nominee also observed that the V Semester result (84.21%), when compared with the III Semester result (94.74%) had fallen and wanted to know the reason for it. Mrs. S. Nazeemunnisa Begum, Head of the Department of Historical Studies clarified that due to many drop outs in the III Year, the overall student strength is reduced, which reflects in a low pass percentage.

With respect to the results of the Department of Home Science, Dr. Jahan Aara Razick, Head, Department of Home Science, admitted that the results were not as expected and added that the students expressed their grievances about the Physiology Paper, as there was improper distribution of questions and students found it difficult to elaborate due to this discrepancy.

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Similarly, Dr. Amthul Azeez, Head, Department of Zoology, opined that the Department of Zoology offers two courses at the Under-graduate level, namely, B.Sc. Zoology and B.Sc. Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology. The students selected in the merit list, get admitted in the Advanced Zoology Course and the remaining get enrolled in Zoology. She added that the students found the "Invertebrata" paper difficult and she stated that this could be the reason for the fluctuation in the result.

#### Afternoon Session:

The overall pass percentage for the Under-graduate Courses in the Afternoon Session was as follows:

I Semester 85%, III Semester 86% V Semester 94%

In the I Semester, B.Sc. Microbiology secured 100% results. In the III Semester B.Sc. Electronic and Communication Science secured 100% results. In the V Semester, B.Com. (Honours), B.Sc. Electronic and Communication Science and B.A. Tourism and Travel Management secured 100% results.

The overall pass percentage for the Post-graduate Courses was as follows:

I Semester 84% III Semester 92% V Semester (M.C.A.) 100%

Among the Post-graduate departments, M.C.A. secured 100% results in all the I, III & V Semesters. M.Com. Corporate Secretaryship secured 100% results in the I and III Semesters. In the I Semester, M.Sc. Physics and M.Com. (General) secured 100% results. In the III Semester, M.Sc. Computer Science secured 100% results.

In the Foundation courses, the overall pass percentage was 97% in the I Semester and 96% in the III Semester.

#### 4. Felicitation of teachers who have won awards:

- The Principal felicitated seven (7) staff members of both Forenoon and Afternoon Session on having received Ph.D. Degrees.
- Mrs. Nasreen Sultana, Department of English (A.N. Session), has cleared the NET Examination conducted by the U.G.C. in Nov. 2017 and Dr. J. Sumitha, Department of Microbiology (A.N. Session), has cleared the SET examination conducted by Mother Teresa University in Sept. 2017.



#### Staff Achievements:

- (i) Dr. S. Jameela, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science and Mrs. A. Iffath Jehan, Department of Corporate Secretaryship & ISM, associated themselves with the syllabus framing and textbook writing work of the Tamil Nadu Council of Educational Research and Training (TNSCERT), for Higher Secondary Political Science and Vocational Course in Office Secretaryship respectively for the syllabus to take effect from 2018-2019.
- (ii) The Lions Club honoured Dr. Waheeda Matheen, Department of Psychology and Dr. S.I. Beema Jainab, Department of Plant Biology and Plant Biotechnology, with the 'Best Teacher Award' in Sept. 2017. Dr. Beema Jainab was also honoured with the prestigious "Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Award for Teaching Excellence" on 21<sup>st</sup> Oct. 2017.
- (iii) Dr. T. Mythili, Department of Psychology, received the award of 'Excellence in Teaching' from the Madras Library Association in Aug. 2017.
- (iv) Eleven (11) staff members of both Forenoon and Afternoon Session have received incentives from the Management for their research paper publications in reputed journals with impact factor.
- Seven (7) staff members of Afternoon Session have received funds from the Management for their research projects.
- Dr. Amutha Ramalingam, Department of Tamil (A.N. Session) published a book on Research Methodology in Tamil (ஆய்வு நெறிகள்).

## 5. Seminars/ Conferences/ Workshops conducted by the Department:

#### Forenoon Session:

- The Department of Economics (FN & AN Session) organised a National Seminar on 'Infrastructure Development – Issues and Challenges' on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan. 2018.
- 2. The Department of English (F.N. & A.N. Session) organised a National Conference on "The Art of Fiction" on the 1st Feb. 2018.
- The Departments of Historical Studies and Political Science jointly organised a Seminar on 'The Making and Working of the Indian Constitution' on the 9<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2018.
- The Departments of Physics and Chemistry jointly organised an International Seminar on 'The Emerging Challenges on Sustainable Environment' on the 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug. 2017.
- 5. The Department of Plant Biology and Plant Biotechnology organised a National Seminar on 'Metabolomics Approach' on the 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb. 2018.



- The Department of Psychology conducted an Intercollegiate Event HOPE World Suicide Prevention Day on the 11<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2017 and a Workshop on "The Use of SPSS on Research Methods with Focus on Regression Analysis" on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> of Feb. 2018.
- The Department of Zoology organised a National Conference on "Climate Change and Global Warming" on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb. 2018.
- 8. The Department of Home Science organised a Seminar on 'Coping Strategies for Stress among Students' on the 30<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2018.
- The Department of Biochemistry conducted a Two Day Workshop for II and III B.Sc. students on "Analytical Techniques and Bioinstrumentation" in collaboration with Yaazhl Biosciences from 30<sup>th</sup> Nov., 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. 2017 and 12<sup>th</sup> Dec. to 13<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2017.
- 10. The Departments of Hindi, Urdu, Arabic, French and Sanskrit jointly organised a National Seminar on "Literature An Impetus to Environmental Awareness" on the 12<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2018.
- 11. The Department of Commerce organised a One Day Seminar on "Recent Developments in Global Financial Reporting" on the 1st Feb. 2018.

#### **Afternoon Session:**

- 12. The Department of Business Studies entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Madras Management Association (MMA) on the 28<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2017. A 'student chapter' consisting of 178 students has been created in the College and Workshops were conducted to enhance the Management Skills of students.
- 13. The Department of Commerce launched a "Commerce Lab" as an initiative to enhance the knowledge of students in business and management.
- 14. The Department of Computer Science conducted the following programmes:
  - Two day Workshop titled ".Net Technologies" by UNIQ Technologies on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2018 for final UG students.
  - ii. One day Workshop titled "R Programming" by Dr. Shivashakthi from SRM University on the 17<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2018 for MCA and M.Sc. students.
- 15. The Department of Urdu and Hindi organised a One Day National Level Seminar on "Social Problems of Modern Society in Urdu and Hindi Novels" on the 29<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2017.
- 16. The Department of Sanskrit conducted a One Day National Seminar on "Sanskrit Learning for Tomorrow" on the 12<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2017.

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#### Career Guidance and Placement Centre:

The Career Guidance and Placement Centre has organized Workshops, Career Guidance Seminars, Training Programmes, Motivational Seminars and Campus Recruitments for the benefit of the students.

526 students of our College have been placed in the various prominent multinational companies, such as, Sutherland, CAMS, Future Generali, Total Insurance Solutions, Vertex Customer Management India Pvt. Ltd., Fitness One and TCS.

### Centre for Women's Studies:

The Centre for Women's Studies conducted a Training Programme on the topic "Introduction to Research Methods" on the 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2017 and 350 students participated.

# Multi-Disciplinary Research and Consultancy Centre (MRCC)

As an initiative to motivate research among staff and students, the Seed Capital Assistance Scheme has been implemented by the Management. This year a sum of Rs.5,05,000/- has been sanctioned to seven (7) faculty members from the Afternoon Session to carry on their research projects.

A sum of Rs.3,09,000/- has been sanctioned to 19 Under-graduate and 8 Post-graduate research projects comprising of both Forenoon and Afternoon Session.

35 research papers have been awarded incentives by the Management. From this academic year, papers published in journals approved by the UGC are awarded incentives after scrutiny by an Internal Committee.

A Consultancy Policy to encourage and enhance consultancy practices across all departments has been formulated.

# Achievements of students in curricular/ co-curricular/ sports activities:

### Curricular and Co-Curricular Activities

#### Forenoon Session:

- Ms. Sheeba Ali Siddiqui who is pursuing her doctorate in Zoology, has attended the Sakura Science Students Exchange Programme at the University of Miyazaki, Japan from the 13<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> of Dec. 2017.
- Nithya S. from III B.Sc. Biochemistry received the "Kavi Bharathi" title at Madurai. She also won a ticket to Thailand worth Rs.40,000/-, a surprise event in Cellutions – 2018 at the D.G. Vaishnav College, Arumbakkam, Chennai.
- 3. The students of the Psychology Department have published nine research papers in National and International Journals. Ms. Akifa Mariyam of II M.Sc. Psychology presented a paper in Malaysia on the 25<sup>th</sup> International Conference on "Psychology and Language Research" organized by the Global Research and Development Services in Nov. 2017. She won the Best Paper Award in this Conference.

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#### **Afternoon Session:**

Students have participated in many intercollegiate competitions conducted by city colleges and won laurels for the College.

 The paper entitled "A Study on Retention of Customers in Retail Marketing" by Divya Sree of III B.Com. (Hons.) was adjudged the Best Paper at the National Conference on "Business Innovation and Sustainability in the Globalization Scenario" organized by the Hindu College, Chennai. Her paper has been published in an edited book with ISBN.

#### Sports:

Students, both from Forenoon and Afternoon Sessions, participated in Zonal and National Level Sports events such as Kho-Kho, Kabaddi, Cricket, Volleyball, Basketball and won prizes. Some of them are:

- Ms. V. Pavithra of I B.Com. won the Gold Medal in the Fencing event conducted by the University of Madras. She has been selected for the National Level Competition to be held from the 19<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> of March 2018 in Punjab.
- Our College Kabaddi team won the First Place in 'A Zone' and Inter-Zone tournaments, Second Place at DRBCC Hindu College sports event and YMCA College events. A cash prize of Rs.10,000/- was awarded to the team.
- Our College Volleyball team won the First Place in 'A' Zone, Inter Zone tournaments, Veterinary College tournament, Alpha Arts and Science College tournament and State-level Intercollegiate tournament held at Dharmapuri.
- Preethika of III B.A. History represented the College in the Junior National Athletic Meet held at Vijayawada and won the First Place creating new meet record.
- The kho-kho team won the First place in the Zonal and Inter-Zonal kho-kho tournaments. Our team was awarded a cash prize of Rs.5,000/- in the State-level tournament conducted at KRMMC College.
- The cricket team of our College won the Second Place in the Zonal, Inter-Zonal and won the First Place in the State-level tournament conducted at the Alpha Arts and Science College.

### **Extra-Curricular Activities:**

- D. Deepa of I B.A. Historical Studies won the First Prize in Rangoli competition held at the University of Madras on the 19<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2017.
- 2. Priya S and Keerthana R of III B.Com. (CS) was awarded as the "Best Student" by Mahindra Pride School.



 Kalaivani B, Sindhu and Vijayalakshmi of III BCA were adjudged as the "Highlights of the Session" by Mahendra Pride School Training Program on the 21<sup>st</sup> Sept. 2017.

The Principal mentioned that as per the new guidelines, the College is undergoing the revision of syllabi. She presented the list of University Nominees, Subject Experts and other Members for approval.

The Committee unanimously approved the same.

Dr. Sanjida Haris, Management Nominee, congratulated the Principal, Vice-Principals, the Heads of the Departments and the teaching faculties of both Forenoon and Afternoon Session for their remarkable contributions in elevating this great Institution to its stupendous success. She placed on record the unstinted support rendered by the Correspondent and Mr. R. Selvam, the Financial Consultant in all the activities of the College.

# 7. Any other matter with the permission of the Chair:

Nil.

Dr. Rayeesunisa, Member-Secretary and Teacher Representative of the Academic Council proposed the vote of thanks. The meeting concluded with thanks to the Chair.

(Dr. (Mrs.) SHANAZ AHAMED) CHAIRPERSON & PRINCIPAL

Date: 07.03.2018

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