

**HEMWATI NANDAN BAHUGUNA GARHWAL UNIVERSITY
SRINAGAR, GARHWAL (Uttarakhand)**

(A Central University)

**Minutes of 4th Meeting of the Academic Council held on 12-03-2012 at
11.00 am at HNBGU, Srinagar (Garhwal)**

The following members were present:-

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| 1) Prof. S.K. Singh, Vice Chancellor | - | Chairman |
| 2) Prof. J.P. Sharma | - | Member |
| 3) Prof. Ram Sharan Joshi | - | Member |
| 4) Prof. M.S.M Rawat | - | Member |
| 5) 5. Prof. Atul Saklani | - | Member |
| 6) Prof. J.P. Pachauri | - | Member |
| 7) Prof. Annapoorna Nautiyal | - | Member |
| 8) Prof. S.K. Srivastava | - | Member |
| 9) Prof. O.P. Sati | - | Member |
| 10) Prof. A.R. Dangwal | - | Member |
| 11) Prof. Lata Gairola | - | Member |
| 12) Dr. U.S. Rawat, Registrar | - | Secretary |

Prof. Sunil Kumar Gupta, Prof. Sujit K Basu, Prof. Tista Bagchi, Pof. A.N. Rai, Prof. Rashmi S Patil, Prof. S.P. Kala & Prof. Neelima Deshmukh could not attend the meeting.

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed the Hon'ble members specially the external members and thereafter the Chairman appraised them regarding the overall development made by the University especially in the area of Academic advancement after 3rd Meeting of Academic Council held on 12-02-2011. The Chairman also informed that the University has made enormous strides in achieving its academic goals and objectives, yet, considerable challenges remain unattended which require to be identified, so that strategies and plans could be evolved not only for addressing them but also to leverage the opportunities. Thereafter, the agenda items were taken for discussion and approval.

Agenda Item No. 1: Confirmation of Minutes of 3rd Meeting of the Academic Council held on 12-02-2011.

Note: A copy of the minutes of the 3rd meeting of Academic Council, dated 12-02-2011, circulated vide letter No. Acad/2011/564 dated 22-02-2011 is placed at **Annexure – A** for confirmation.

RESOLUTION

The Hon'ble members unanimously appreciated the efforts made by the University for recording the minutes based on the decision taken in the 3rd meeting of Academic Council held on 12th Feb, 2011. Thereafter, it was resolved to confirm the minutes of 3rd meeting of the Academic Council.

Agenda Item No. 2: Report on the Action taken on the minutes of 3rd meeting of the Academic Council held on 12-02-2011.

Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Academic Council held on 12-02-2011 is placed at **Annexure – B** for kind perusal.

RESOLUTION

The Academic Council has taken a note of it.

Agenda Item No. 3: To consider the award of D.Phil/D.Lit/D.Sc Degree to those candidates who have successfully completed their viva-voce.

While discussing the matter under agenda item 13.7 of 3rd meeting of EC held on 16th June, 2011 in regard to expedite the award of D.Phil/D.Lit/D.Sc Degree to those candidates who have successfully completed their viva-voce, it was resolved that to reduce time factors between viva-voce examination and award of Ph.D degree (being awarded after approval of EC), a suitable proposal for amendment in the relevant ordinances be brought to the Executive Council after approval of the Academic Council.

In view of above, the matter was referred to the relevant Committee under the chairmanship of Prof. M.S.M Rawat, Dean, School of Sciences. The Committee has submitted the amendment in the relevant Ordinances which is placed at **Annexure – C** for reference.

The matter is submitted for consideration and approve.

RESOLUTION

It was resolved to approve the recommendation of the Committee for making amendments in Ph.D Ordinances under provision 17(a) as mentioned below:

17(a) : After completion of the viva-voce examination, the result of the candidate shall be conveyed by the concerned Head of Department through concerned Dean of School to the Controller of Examination/Registrar, who shall notify the result of the candidate. The successful candidates shall be eligible for the award of the degree from the date of viva-voce examination and the matter be placed in the next meeting of Academic Council and Executive Council for approval.

It was further resolved that in the mean-time provisional certificate of award of the degree be issued to the candidate on his/her written request to the Controller of Examination/Registrar.

Agenda Item No. 4: Ratification of decision taken by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor under Section 11(3) of the Central University Act 2009.

4.1: To consider and approve syllabii of following Courses:

Syllabus for following courses could not be placed before 3rd Academic Council held on 11-02-2011. Since University has introduced the semester system at PG level of various courses, in view of urgency, the Competent Authority on the recommendation of the Department has approved the syllabii under section 11(3) of the Act. The decision taken by Vice-Chancellor is placed for ratification.

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| a) M.Sc. Botany | – | Annexure - D |
| b) M.Sc. Microbiology | – | Annexure - E |
| c) M.Sc. Geology | – | Annexure - F |
| d) M.Sc. Agronomy | – | Annexure - G |

RESOLUTION

The Academic Council has taken a note of it, except the syllabus of M.Sc. Geology, as the same has been revised and to be taken for approval of Academic Council under Supplementary Agenda Item S-3.

4.2: Consideration of 50% marks at Graduation level as criterion for “Good Academic Record”.

UGC in its regulations 2010 has specified “Good Academic Record” as one of the criteria of minimum eligibility for the recruitment of Assistant and Associate Professor. It states that good academic record should be defined by concerned University. In this regard, it is to submit that High Court of Judicature at Allahabad while making Judgement on Writ Petition No. 26819 of 2008 has upheld the criteria fixed by UPPSC. The Judgement says “the candidates are required to possess Good Academic Record i.e. 50% in both “Graduation and PG Degree Courses” for being eligible to apply. It is further to inform that the Govt of Uttarakhand has also defined 50% in Graduation as Good Academic Record vide its letter dt. 30.9.2011 circulated to all the Universities of the State. Considering the above examples the Competent Authority has defined 50% at Graduation Level as criterion of Good Academic Record.

The Decision taken by Vice-Chancellor may be ratified.

RESOLUTION

It was resolved to ratify the decision taken by the Vice Chancellor.

4.3: Consideration of University Science Instrumentation Centre (USIC) under the School of Engineering and Technology.

USIC has been functioning in the University since 1997. The then Chancellor of the University has included USIC under faculty of Engineering under Clause 7.13(G) (4) of UP State University Act 1973 vide GO dt. 22.12.2003. After getting the status of Central University, in the notification regarding the establishment of Schools of studies in place of faculties as communicated by MHRD vide their letter No. 42-26/2009-Desk (U) dated 27th December, 2010, USIC has not included in the School of Engineering. Now Dean, School of Engineering has requested for inclusion of USIC in the School of Engineering. Considering the urgency in view of on going selection process, VC has approved to notify USIC under the School of Engineering.

The decisions taken by VC under Section 11(3) may be ratified.

RESOLUTION

It was resolved to ratify the decision taken by the Vice Chancellor on the proposal of Dean, School of Engineering & Technology.

4.4: To consider and approve amendment in the Ordinances of Doctor of Philosophy Programme (Ph.D.) and General Provisions on Courses of Studies in the interest of the students.

On the unanimous recommendation of local members of Academic Council, dated 24-01-2012, and in order to remove difficulties in conducting the Ph.D. Entrance Examinations-2012 and to declare the results of Post Graduate Semester-I results in time, the Vice Chancellor, H.N.B.Garhwal University is pleased to exercise powers vested on him under Section 11(3) of Central University Act-2009 to amend the first Ordinances of H.N.B.Garhwal University at appropriate places by substitution/deletion /additions for the Doctor of Philosophy Programme (Ph.D.) and General Provisions on Courses of Studies in the interest of the students (**Annexure – H**).

RESOLUTION

It was resolved to approve the amendment in the Ordinances of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) Programme and General Provisions on Courses of Studies in the interest of the students.

5. Consideration of UGC (Affiliation of Colleges by Universities) Regulations 2009.

The University Grants Commission, New Delhi vide its letter dt. 29.4.2010 has circulated a copy of the (Affiliation of Colleges by Universities) regulations, 2009 published in the Gazette of India 20th Feb, 2010 for information and necessary action by the University. At present all colleges, institutions who were affiliated with HNBGU prior to 15th Jan, 2009 are still stand affiliated to Garhwal University in terms of provision as made under para-4 (F) of the Central University Act 2009. Consequent upon the new regulations of the UGC (Affiliation of Colleges by Universities) 2009, the affiliation has to be granted by the University on the basis of guidelines of UGC placed at **Annexure- I**. No new affiliation is being granted by the Central University.

The matter is submitted for consideration and approval.

RESOLUTION

After extensive discussion, it was resolved as under:

- 1) Only temporary affiliation be granted to the Colleges & Institutions already affiliated with HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar on year to year basis through the process as prescribed in the UGC Regulations.
- 2) Only temporary affiliation on year to year basis may be granted to start new courses to those Colleges, which are already affiliated with HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar through the process as prescribed in the UGC Regulations.
- 3) No new affiliation be granted to any Colleges/Institutions seeking affiliation from HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar.
- 4) For granting permanent affiliation under Clause 5 of the Regulation, the matter be deferred at present.

Agenda Item No. 6: To consider and approve the Syllabii of various Courses.

The University has received the Syllabii of various courses from the Departments/Institutes to start the academic curriculum from 2011-2012.

- a) M.Sc. Himalayan Aquatic Biodiversity – **Annexure- J**
- b) Course Curriculum for three year programme of Bachelor of Hotel Management – **Annexure- K**
- c) Critical Care in Medical Nursing of M.Sc. (N) courses in Medical and Surgical Nursing (sub- speciality paper) – **Annexure - L**

Submitted for approval.

RESOLUTION

It was resolved to approve the Syllabii.

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

Agenda Item No. S-1: To consider and approve the draft of the Ordinances for Board of Studies.

In terms of the provisions as made under Clause 16 (l) (2) & (3) of the Statutes, there is a provision to make the Ordinances for Board of Studies in each department of the University. The constitution of the Board of Studies and term of Office of its member is to be prescribed by the Ordinances. Subject to the over all control and supervision of the

Academic Council, the functions of a Board of Studies shall be to approve subjects for research for various degrees and other requirements of research degrees and to recommend to the concerned School Board in the manner prescribed by the Ordinances.

Accordingly the Ordinances for Board of Studies has been prepared and placed at **Annexure – 1** for kind consideration and approval.

RESOLUTION

It was resolved to approve the Ordinances for Board of Studies with following modification:

2 (a) (ii) (2) : be read as one Associate Professor instead of two.

(3) : be read as one Assistant Professor instead of two.

(6) : One Senior most teacher of relevant subject amongst teachers of Affiliated Colleges for the period of one year by rotation be added at 2 (a) (ii) (6).

3 (b) be read as recommend in place of approve in the first line of the para.

5 Registrar will notify the meeting of Board of Studies on recommendation of the Head of the Department.

6. At least two meetings of Board of Studies shall be conducted in an Academic Year be added at Sl. No. 6.

Agenda Item No. S-2: To consider and approve the draft for making amendments in the Statutes for the constitution of Academic and Executive Council.

After getting the status of Central University, the first Academic & Executive Council was constituted by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, New Delhi, vide their letter No. F. 42-4/2009 dated 19-05-2009 for the term of three years i.e. 19-05-2009. Now the term of these University Authorities is going to be expired on 18-05-2012.

Keeping in view the duration of first Academic & Executive Council, the University has to constitute the Academic and Executive Council w.e.f 19-05-2012. As per the provision mentioned under Clause 21 & 22 of the Act, the constitution of the Executive Council and Academic Council consisting the term of Office of its members, powers and functions has to be prescribed by the Statutes, provided that such number of members as may be prescribed by the Statutes shall be from among the elected member of the Court. The Court is not existing at this moment and the constitution of Executive &

Academic Council is silent in the Statutes of Central University Act, 2009, except the provision of quorum for meeting of Executive & Academic Council.

In view of the above a Committee was constituted under the Convener-ship of Prof. MSM Rawat for making amendments in the particular Clause of the Statutes in regard to constitution of Executive & Academic Council of the University. The recommendation of Committee is placed at **Annexure – 2** for consideration and approval.

RESOLUTION

It was resolved to approve the draft for making Statutes of Executive Council and Academic Council with following modification:

Executive Council (Statutes 11)

- 1 (iii) be read as: *three Deans of the School to be selected by rotation in order of seniority.*
- 1 (vi) be read as: *one member elected by the Court. He/She shall not be eligible for reappointment.*
2. be read as: *the terms of office members (iii), (iv) and (v) under Clause (1) shall be of one year and the members under Sub-Clause (vi), (vii) and (viii) under Clause (1) shall be of three years.*
5. be read as: *Registrar shall act as Ex-Officio Secretary.*
6. In case of Sub-Clause (iii), (iv) and (v) *if the date of joining is the same, the seniority will be decided by date of birth i.e. the person having earlier date of birth being senior.*

Academic Council (Statutes 13)

- vii. be read as : *Registrar shall be Ex-Officio Secretary.*
- 1(x) be read as : *three Professors, three Associate Professors & three Assistant Professors by rotation in order of their seniority for one year.*
- xi. be read as : *two Principals of affiliated Colleges by rotation in order of their seniority in substantive capacity as Principal, out of which one Principal shall be nominated from Government Colleges affiliated to this University for one year.*
- xii. be read as : *two members elected by the Court for the period of three years. He/She shall not be eligible for reappointment.*
- xiii. be read as : *five eminent academicians not being in the service of the University to nominated by the Visitor for a period of three years.*

xiv. be read as *five distinguished persons form the Trade/Industry/Profession/Social Services to be nominated by the Academic Council for the period of three years.*

2. Para 2 be deleted.

Agenda Item No. S-3: To consider and approve the revised syllabii of various Courses.

The following departments/centre have submitted the revised syllabii for various courses for the approval of Academic Council so that the teaching work could be under taken as per syllabii from the Academic Session 2012-13. The details are as under:

S.No.	Department/Centre	Name of the Course	Annexure
1.	Horticulture	B.Sc. Horticulture 4 Years Degree Course, Eight Semester)	3
2.	Geology	1. M.Sc. Geology 2. Pre-Ph.D Course	4
3.	Home Science	B.Sc. Home Science (3 Years Course)	5
4.	Drawing & Painting	Master Degree Programme in Drawing & Painting	6
5.	Women Studies Centre	Certificate Course in Women Studies & One Year PG Diploma Course in Women Studies	7

Submitted for approval of Academic Council.

RESOLUTION

The Committee approved the Syllabii of B.Sc. Horticulture, M.Sc. Geology & Pre-Phd Course Geology, B.Sc. Home Science, Master Degree in Drawing & Painting as such.

It was also resolved that Syllabii of Certificated Course in Women Studies & One Year PG Diploma Course in Women Studies be modified as per suggestions given by the members and re submit to the Vice Chancellor for approval.

It was further resolved that the Vice Chancellor be authorised to approve the Syllabii of remaining subjects if any could not placed before the Academic Council for approval due to certain reasons and matter be reported in the next Academic Council.

Agenda Item No. 7 : Any other item with permission of the Chair.

RESOLUTION

Following Items were discussed with the permission of Chair:

Regularization of Academic Session of B.E.d Course

1. The University have been receiving representations/suggestions from the various sectors of the University and Society including teachers, students and association of Self-financed B.Ed. Institutes of the Uttarakhand to regularize the B.Ed Session on priority in order to avoid some technicalities while issuing marksheet/degree of two courses in the same academic year. Due to some unavoidable circumstances, the academic session of B.Ed. has already been delayed and running more than a year back, leading some technical problems to the students.

After having an extensive discussion it was resolved that the University should make zero academic session of B.Ed Course for the academic year 2011-12 to regularize the session and should initiate the necessary steps for the academic year 2012-13 henceforth.

2. Regarding marksheet/degree for the earlier period, a Sub-Committee be constituted with following members to see the pros and cons of the matter and suggest ways and means, so that the students could not face any problems and be benefited:

Committee:

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| 1) Prof. M.S.M Rawat, Dean | - | Convener |
| 2) Prof. S.S. Rawat, EC Member | - | Member |
| 3) Prof. J.P. Pauchauri, AC Member | - | Member |
| 4) OSD (Exam) | - | Member |
| 5) DSW | - | Member |
| 6) Chief Proctor | - | Member |

It was further resolved that above sub-Committee shall also look into the matter of various representations of the Students related with their academic activities and recommendation be reported to the Vice Chancellor for further course of action.

Entry of Students in the Meeting Room without prior permission.

While the members of the Academic Council were discussing some urgent issues pertaining to Agenda Items of the Academic Council, some students were entered in the Meeting Room without prior permission of the Chair. The Committee has taken a serious note of the incidence and decided that strict action be initiated by the concerned Authority against such students who entered in the Meeting Room and tried to interfere in the office business of the University, without prior permission of the Chair.

Further, the Committee of the opinion that in future necessary steps should be taken to avoid such occurrence in the matter.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Prof. S.K. Singh
Vice Chancellor

Dr. U.S. Rawat
Registrar