

## NIRMA UNIVERSITY

### Minutes of the 39<sup>th</sup> meeting of Academic Council held on 17.04.2017 at 12 noon in the Board Room, Institute of Management, when following members were present:

1	Dr. Anup K Singh- <i>Chairman</i>	17	Prof. D.M.Adhyaru
2	Shri Jaimin Vasa	18	Dr. Gaurang Raval
3	Shri K Thyagrajan Iyer	19	Dr. Hardik Bhatt
4	Prof. Manjunath Ghate	20	Dr. Mayur M Patel
5	Prof. Purvi Pokhariyal	21	Prof. Jigna Shah
6	Prof. M.Mallikarjun	22	Prof. Nina Muncherji
7	Prof Alka Mahajan	23	Prof. Nityesh Bhatt
8	Prof. Deepak Danak	24	Prof. Rajesh Jain
9	Prof. Utpal Sharma	25	Prof. P.K.Yadav
10	Prof. P.N.Tekwani	26	Dr. Madhuri Parikh
11	Prof. Jayesh Rupareliya	27	Prof. Sharad Panchal
12	Prof. V.J.Lakhera	28	Prof. Priti Mehta
13	Prof. U.V.Dave	29	Shri. G.R.Nair - Secretary
14	Prof. D.K.Kothari	-	Shri D.P.Chhaya - <i>Invitee</i>
15	Prof. Priyanka Sharma	-	Prof. Amit Sheth - <i>Invitee</i>
16.	Dr. Shalini Rajkumar		

Prof. N R Madhava Menon and Shri Piyushbhai Shah requested for leave of absence.

In the beginning of the meeting, the Director General and the Chairman of the Academic Council– Dr. A.K. Singh welcomed all the members. Thereafter, the agenda which was circulated was taken on hand and after having detailed deliberations on each item, the resolutions were passed as under:

Item No.	Particulars
1.	<p><b><u>RESOLUTION</u></b> <b>Resolved that</b>, the minutes of previous meeting held on 30.03.2017, <u>be confirmed</u> as circulated on 13.04.2017.</p> <p>[Note: The Chairman signed the minutes as a token of confirmation]</p>
2.	<p><b><u>RESOLUTION</u></b> <b>Resolved that</b>, the note on action taken on the decisions of the previous meeting held on 30.03.2017, <u>be noted as under</u>:</p> <p>a. Item Nos. 3(C), 4(A)(i), 6(A), 6(F), 7(A), 8(A), 8(B), 9, 10(A) and 19(B) were referred back to the respective Faculty/Board of Studies with the suggestion made by Academic Council. Now, said items are taken in the agenda of this meeting with the recommendation of the Faculty concerned.</p> <p>b. Item Nos. 5(C), 10(C), 11(A), (B), 11(C)(i), (ii), (iv), 12(i), (ii), 13, 14, 16 and 17 were forwarded to the Board of Governors for its approval and the same was taken in the agenda of Board of Governors meeting scheduled to be held on 18.04.2017.</p> <p>c. Item Nos. 3(A), (B), (D), (E)(i), (E)(ii), (E)(iii), (F), (G), (H), (I), 4.(A)(ii), (B), (C), (D), 5(A) to (C), 7(B) and 15 were approved by the Academic Council. However, due to small gap between the meeting, the appropriate notifications are yet to be published.</p>

3. **RESOLUTION**  
**Resolved that**, the recommendations made by the Faculty of Technology in its emergency meeting held on 05.04.2017 under resolution No. 2 with regard to *introduction* of a new departmental elective- **Quality Engineering and Management** along with its Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabus in Semester-I/II for all branches of M.Tech. programme in **Mechanical Engineering**, to be made effective from academic year 2017-18 and onwards, be approved as per Encl.-I circulated with agenda.

4. **RESOLUTION**  
**Resolved that**, the recommendations made by *Faculty of Technology & Engineering* and *Faculty of Management* in their emergency meetings held on 05.04.2017 under resolution No. 1 with regard to introduction of **Policy** for inter-disciplinary Minor Specializations, be accepted as per Encl.-II (page No. 6) circulated with the agenda and be forwarded to the **Board of Governors** for its approval.

**Further resolved that**, the Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabus for inter-disciplinary Minor Specializations in '**Engineering Basics**', be approved as per Encl.-I (page Nos. 7 to 14) circulated with agenda. So far as the minor specialization in '**Information Technology**' is concerned, the same be referred back with a suggestion that, the Teaching Scheme of courses namely- (i) Database Management System and (ii) Software Development Methodologies, the '4' credits assigned for both the courses, be reduced to **3**.

5. **RESOLUTION**  
**Resolved that**, the recommendations made by *Faculty of Pharmacy* in its emergency meeting held on 05.04.2017 under resolution No. 1 with regard to *introduction* of Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabus of Semester-I of following specializations of **M.Pharm** programme, to be made effective from academic year 2017-18 and onwards, be approved as per Encl.-III circulated with agenda:

- (a) Pharmaceutics
- (b) Pharmaceutical Chemistry
- (c) Pharmaceutical Analysis
- (d) Regulatory Affairs
- (e) Pharmacology

6. *Faculty of Law*

A. **RESOLUTION**  
**Resolved that**, the recommendations made by Faculty of Law in its emergency meeting held on 05.04.2017 under resolution No. 1 with regard to *introduction* of "Moot Court Training" along with its Syllabus in Semester-I of B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.) and B.Com.LL.B. (Hons.) programmes in place of existing course- 'Introduction to Cyber World and Cyber Security' and *revision* in Teaching & Examination Scheme of Semester-I, to be made effective for the students admitted semester-I from academic year 2017-18 and onwards, be approved as per Encl.-IV circulated with agenda.

- B. RESOLUTION**  
**Resolved that**, the recommendations made by Faculty of Law in its emergency meeting held on 05.04.2017 under resolution No. 2 with regard to *introduction* of syllabus of courses- (i) 'Civil Society and Public Grievance' (Honours course-IV) and (ii) 'Comparative Criminal Procedure' of Semester-IX of B.A.LL.B. (Hons.), B.Com.LL.B. (Hons.) and B.B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.) programmes, to be made effective for the students admitted in 1<sup>st</sup> year in academic year 2013-14 and onwards, be approved as per Encl.-V circulated with agenda.
- C. RESOLUTION**  
**Resolved that**, the recommendations made by Faculty of Law in its emergency meeting held on 05.04.2017 under resolution No. 3 with regard to *introduction* of University Elective course- 'Intellectual Property Rights' along with its syllabus, to be offered to the students of various Institutes (*other than* Institute of Law), be made effective from academic year 2017-18 and onwards, be approved as per Encl.-VI circulated with agenda.
- 7. *Ad hoc Joint Board of Studies in Architecture***
- A. RESOLUTION**  
**Resolved that**, the recommendations made by Ad hoc Joint Board of Studies in Architecture in its emergency meeting held on 06.04.2017 under resolution No. 1 with regard to *introduction* of Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabus of Semester-VII and VIII of B.Arch. programme, to be made applicable to the students to be registered in the Semester-VII and VIII from the academic year 2017-18 and onwards, be approved as per Encl.-VII circulated with agenda.
- B. RESOLUTION**  
**Resolved that**, the recommendations made by Ad hoc Joint Board of Studies in Architecture in its emergency meeting held on 06.04.2017 under resolution No. 2 with regard to *introduction* of *Guidelines* and *Rules* for 'Related Study Programme' (RSP) for the students of B.Arch. programme, to be made effective from academic year 2017-18 and onwards, be referred back to the Ad hoc Joint Board of Studies in Architecture with a suggestion to reframe the guidelines alongwith of proposal of appropriate amendments in the Regulations.
- 8. RESOLUTION**  
**Resolved that**, the recommendations made by Ad hoc Joint Board of Studies in Planning in its emergency meeting held on 06.04.2017 under resolution No. 1 with regard to *introduction* of Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabus of Semester-III and IV of B.Plan. programme, to be made effective for the students to be registered in 2<sup>nd</sup> year of B.Plan. from the academic year 2017-18 and onwards, be approved as per Encl.-IX circulated with agenda.
- 9. *Ad hoc Board of Studies in Commerce***
- A. RESOLUTION**  
**Resolved that**, the recommendations made by Ad hoc Board of Studies in Commerce in its emergency meeting held on 06.04.2017 under resolution No. 1 with regard to *revision* in the Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabus of Semester-I and II of B.Com (Hons.), to be made effective from the Academic Year

2017-18 and onwards, be approved as per Encl.-X circulated with agenda with following modifications and the Director General be authorized to approve the revised document:

- (i) the credits in all the semesters should not be less than 25,
- (ii) in the course- 'General English' of semester-I, a topic related to 'verbs concord' be included,
- (iii) the 'Unit-VI: Linear Programming in the course- Business Mathematics of semester-I', be revised as '**Unit-V** *instead of* Unit-VI

[Note: For the students admitted in 1<sup>st</sup> year before academic year 2017-18 and have to study a course or to appear in the examination as a repeater, the *status quo* be maintained]

**B. RESOLUTION**

**Resolved that**, the recommendations made by Ad hoc Board of Studies in Commerce in its emergency meeting held on 06.04.2017 under resolution No. 2 with regard to *introduction* of Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabus of Semester-III & IV of B.Com. (Hons.), to be made effective from the Academic year 2017-18 and onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XI circulated with agenda with following modifications and the Director General be authorized to approve the revised document:

- (i) the credits in all the semesters should not be less than 25,
- (ii) in the title of the course- 'Company Law of semester-III', the words '**with respect to Companies Act, 2013**', be added,

**10. *Ad hoc Board of Studies in Design***

**A. RESOLUTION**

**Resolved that**, the recommendations made by Ad hoc Board of Studies in Design in its meeting held on 18.03.2017 under resolution No. 1 with regard to Academic Regulation for Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) programme under the Faculty of Design, to be made effective from the Academic Year 2017-18 and onwards, be accepted as per Encl.-XII circulated with agenda and be forward to the **Board of Governors** for its approval.

**B. RESOLUTION**

**Resolved that**, the recommendations made by Ad hoc Board of Studies in Design in its meeting held on 18.03.2017 under resolution No. 2 with regard *introduction* of Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabus of Semester-I of Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) programme, to be made effective for the students to be admitted in the B.Des. programme from academic year 2017-18 and onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XIII circulated with agenda with following modifications-

- (i) In the Teaching & Examination Scheme of semester-I, the title of the course- 'Drawing' be corrected as **Drawing-I**
- (ii) The courses shown under elective be considered as core courses under Liberal studies
- (iii) The field course "One week – Urban Exposure- Self Study" be revised as non credit instead of existing 1 credit.

It was **further resolved that** the Director General be authorised to approve the revised documents.

**11. Faculty of Doctoral Studies & Research**

**i. RESOLUTION**

**Resolved that** the recommendation made by Faculty of Doctoral Studies & Research in its meetings held on 15.04.2017 under resolution No.s 3 and 7(i) with regard to awarding the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) to the following students on the completion of all the Academic requirements which are evident from the record with regard to the result of the course work, report of the Board of Referees and the report of Viva-voce examination, be accepted and be forwarded to the **Board of Governors** for its approval:

Sr.	Name of student	Faculty	Nirma University/ Recognized Centre	Name of the Guide
i.	Prajapati Bhumika Jayantkumar (12FTPHDS16)	Science	Nirma University	Dr. Sriram Seshadri
ii.	Amal Kumar (09EXTPHDP40)	Pharmacy	Cadila Pharmaceuticals R&D Division	Dr. Bhaswat Chakraborty
iii.	Dhani Ram Rajak (10EXTPHDM011)	Management	Nirma University	Dr. Rajesh Jain
iv.	Dass Debjani Rajanish (103102)	Management	Nirma University	Dr. Samir Pingle

[**Note:** The students mentioned at serial “ii.” to “iv.” in above table, were recommended to award the degree of Ph.D. by Faculty of Doctoral Studies and Research through its table item 7(i) and the details were placed on the table at the time of meeting]

**ii. RESOLUTION**

**Resolved that** the recommendation made by Faculty of Doctoral Studies & Research in its meetings held on 15.04.2017 under resolution No. 4 with regard to *amendment* in Annexure–IV of R.Ph.D-12 with regard to Conversion from Ph.D (Full-Time) to Ph.D (Part-Time) and vice versa, be approved with the a modification as under:

Regulation No.	Modifications recommended
Condition No. 1	The word- ‘ <b>etc</b> ’ appearing after the phrase ‘the student should be employed in any educations institution/R&D centre, industry’, be <i>deleted</i> at column 2, page 263
Condition No. 6	The words- ‘ <b>Head of Institutions</b> ’ shown in column 2, be <i>replaced</i> with the word- Dean concerned at column 2, page No. 263
Title	The phrase- ‘ <b>except for Ph.D. (Full-Time) programme in Faculty of Management</b> ’ be <i>added</i> at the end of the existing title at column 2 page No. 264
Condition No. 7	The words- ‘Head of Institutions’ shown in column 2, be <i>replaced</i> with the word- Dean concerned at column 2, page No. 264

**iii. RESOLUTION**

**Resolved that** the recommendation made by Faculty of Doctoral Studies & Research in its meetings held on 15.04.2017 under resolution No. 5 with regard to

*introduction* of Academic Regulations for **Post-Doctoral Fellowship** programme, be referred back to the Faculty of Doctoral Studies and Research to reframe the regulation based on the discussion took place in the meeting.

iv. **RESOLUTION**

**Resolved that** the recommendation made by Faculty of Doctoral Studies & Research in its meetings held on 15.04.2017 under resolution No. 6 with regard to revised Ph.D. regulations notified vide notification No. NU-329 dated 25.10.2016, be also made applicable *mutatis mutandis* to the students of Ph.D. (Full-Time) under Faculty of Management, with amendment in regulation- (i) R.Ph.D.-5 - Credits of course work, duration, etc, and (ii) R.Ph.D.-14 - Research Fellowship be accepted as per Encl.-XVI circulated with agenda with following modifications, and be forwarded to the **Board of Governors** for its approval:

Regulation No.	Modifications recommended
R.Ph.D.-5.1(a)	The word- ' <b>recommended</b> ' appearing in sub-clause 2 and 3 at line No. 12 and 15 respectively, <i>be replaced</i> by the word- " <b>decide</b> "
R.Ph.D.-5.1(a)(3)	The words- ' <b>by IRC</b> ' <i>be added</i> after the words- " <b>six months</b> " appearing in 1 <sup>st</sup> para of column 2 and 2 <sup>nd</sup> para of column 3
R.Ph.D.-14	The following para <i>be added</i> at the end of R.Ph.D.-14- " <b>Provided however, that the fellowship will be commenced from the date of original admission and the SRF after three years will be approved by the Dean of the faculty concerned on the basis of the satisfactory performance</b> "

12. i. **RESOLUTION**

**Resolved that**, the *amendments* various academic regulations of Under Graduate and Post Graduate programmes run under different institutes of the University pertaining to Gracing in Continuous Evaluation, etc, be accepted as per Encl.-XVII circulated with agenda and be forwarded to the **Board of Governors** for its approval.

ii. **RESOLUTION**

**Resolved that**, the *amendment* in academic regulation 'R.28-Committee for drawing up the list of appointments of examiners and paper setters', be accepted as per Encl.-XVIII circulated with agenda and be forwarded to the **Board of Governors** for its approval.

13. **RESOLUTION**

**Resolved that**, the Minimum Qualification for appointment of Professor in Department of Design, be accepted with a modification as shown in bold letters as under and be forwarded to the **Board of Governors** for its approval:

Post Graduate Degree/ Diploma in Design from a recognized University/ reputed Institution with minimum 15 years of experience in relevant field of Design.

Desirable : Doctorate in Design **or in related area**

14. **RESOLUTION**  
**Resolved to recommend to the Board of Governors** that, the Degrees of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), Master of Business Administration, B.A LL.B (Hons.), B.Com. LL.B (Hons.) and BBA,LLB. (Hons.) [Five Year Integrated Programme], be awarded to 515 candidates, who have successfully completed all the academic requirements prescribed for the same at the Twenty third Convocation of Nirma University scheduled to be held on 20.04.2017 as per **Appendix-A**.

15. **RESOLUTION**  
**Resolved to recommend to the President** that, the Diploma in Management, be awarded to 12 candidates, who have successfully completed all the academic requirements prescribed for the same as per **Appendix-B**.

16. **RESOLUTION**  
**Resolved that**, the information furnished about additional admissions made in the following programmes in the academic year 2016-17 to take care of drop out ratio, be noted and approved:

Sr.	Programme	Specialization	Approved intake	Actual registration	Additional registration
1	M.Pharm	Clinical Pharmacy	6	10	<b>4</b>
2		Regulatory Affairs & Quality Assurance	10	16	<b>6</b>
3	MBA	MBA (FULL TIME)	240	264	<b>18*</b>

(\*In MBA-FT, total 264 registrations are done, which include 6 (Six) registrations under supernumerary category, hence the actual additional registrations are 18)

**TABLE ITEM:**

17. Consideration of recommendation of the Faculty of Science made under its resolution by circulation with regard to revision in Teaching & Examination Scheme of Semester-III of M.Sc. in Biotechnology due interchanging of existing elective courses, to be made effective from the academic year 2017–2018 and onwards as under: **(Encl.-XXI)**

- (i) *Elective to Core* course: Genomics and Proteomics and Cancer Biology
- (ii) *Core to Elective* course: Vaccinology and Agriculture and Environmental Microbiology

**RESOLUTION**  
**Resolved that** the recommendation made by the Faculty of Science under its resolution by circulation with regard to interchanging of existing elective courses and revision in Teaching & Examination Scheme of Semester-III of M.Sc. in Biotechnology, to be made effective from the academic year 2017–2018 and onwards as under, be approved as per Encl.-XXI placed at the time of the meeting:

- (i) *Elective to Core* course: Genomics and Proteomics and Cancer Biology

(ii) *Core to Elective* course: Vaccinology and Agriculture and Environmental Microbiology

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.