

Minutes of the 8th meeting of Academic Council of the Autonomous Govt.

College for Women, Parade Ground, Jammu

Under the chairpersonship of Prof. (Dr.) S.P.Saraswat, the 8th meeting of the Academic Council of the autonomous Govt.College for Women, Parade Ground,Jammu was held online on 23rd September2020.

Member Secretary, Academic Council, GCW Parade, (Dr.) Sonia Khajuria (Deptt.of English), initiated the proceedings of the meeting. Convenor, IQAC, Prof.Shayat Dhar elaborated on the agenda items of the meeting. The Chairperson Prof. (Dr.) S.P.Saraswat delivered the opening speech.

Following members attended the meeting on line:

1. All H.O. Ds
2. Members nominated by the Governing body of College and University of Jammu
 - Prof. R.K.Ganjoo, Department of Geology, University of Jammu
 - Dr. Ajay Abrol (for Principal, GCET)
 - Ms. Seema Shekhar, Advocate
 - Prof.Ram Nandan, Department of Buddhist Studies, University of Jammu
3. Senior faculty nominated by the Principal
 - Dr.Jyotsna Mohan, Department of Commerce
 - Dr.Nidhi Kotwal, Department of Home Science
 - Prof.Dharvinder Kumar, Department of Zoology
 - Dr.Shivani Suri Verma, Department of English

Decisions/Resolutions taken (8th meeting of Academic Council)

Item No.8.1

- (a) Confirmation of the minutes of 7th Academic Council Meeting.
- (b) Action taken report.

Resolution no.8.1

- (a) Confirmed and placed on record.
- (b) Approved and placed on record.

Item No.8.2

To seek approval for the inclusion of new syllabi of each available subject in College as per learning outcome-based curriculum framework.

Resolution no.8.2

Approved and placed on record.

Item No.8.3

To seek approval for conduction of semester end examinations as per MHRD and UGC guidelines via online/offline mode as per feasibility.

Resolution no.8.3

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Review

Approved and placed on record.

Item No.8.4

To seek approval for shifting from traditional classroom teaching to technology blended teaching, in view of Covid-19 pandemic.

Resolution no.8.4

Approved and placed on record.

Item No.8.5

To seek Post-facto approval for implementing reservation policy in College and hostel admissions respectively as per UGC norms.

Resolution no.8.5

Approved and placed on record.

Item No.8.6

To seek approval for rationalization of subject combinations.

Resolution no.8.6

Approved and placed on record.

Item No.8.7

To seek approval for fixing eligibility criterion at minimum 55% marks in English at Class XII level, for seeking admission in Functional English and Literature course at under graduate level w.e.f. session 2021-22. (Other eligibility criteria for admission to semester-I remains unchanged)

Resolution no.8.7

Approved and placed on record.

Item No.8.8

To seek approval for conducting intermediate semester end examinations (semester 2 & 4) for the session 2020-21 on the pattern of procedures and exemptions by University of Jammu.

Resolution no.8.8

Approved and placed on record.

Item No.8.9

To seek approval for conducting MCQ based semester end examination of semester 6 and practical examinations of semester 6 on the pattern of intermediate semester end examination for the session 2020-21.

Resolution no.8.9

Approved and placed on record.

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Item No.8.10

To seek approval for introducing Honours course in English, Psychology, Commerce, Economics, Home Science, and Botany w.e.f. the session 2021-22.

Resolution no.8.10

Approved and placed on record.

Item No.8.11

To seek approval for introducing Integrated 5 Years Programme in Zoology with an option to exit after 3 years with B.Sc. (Hons.) degree.

Resolution no.8.11

Approved and placed on record.

Item No.8.12

To apprise the council of the status of autonomy, and in anticipation of the extension of the autonomy, College has completed the admission process for the academic session 2020-21.

Resolution no.8.12

Noted and appreciated by the council.

Item No.8.13

To apprise the council that college has encouraged the students to enrol in MOOC courses, wherein those students who opt for these courses will get additional credits, which will be reflected in their mark sheets.

Resolution no.8.13

Noted and appreciated by the council.

Item No.8.14

To apprise the council that the Administrative Department has approved the establishment of research centre in College under Hub Model in Life Sciences, Home Sciences, Languages, Fine Arts, and Physical Sciences, Multidisciplinary Research, Social Science, Education & Teacher Education, Accountancy, Taxation, Banking and Finance as Spokes.

Resolution no.8.14

Noted and appreciated by the council.

Any other item with the permission of Chair

The Council unanimously approved the names of Dr. Sham Lal Gupta (Former Director Colleges, Higher Education Department, Government of

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Justice and Kashmir) as the Chairperson, and Prof. Shyam Dhar (IQAC
Convener) as the Member Secretary of the Ethical Committee of College.

Suggestions and Queries put forth by the members

Suggestions

- * With reference to Agenda Item No. 8.2, Prof. R.K. Ganjoo suggested the following:
 - a) Council should be framed in accordance with the National Education Policy (NEP)-2020.
 - b) Establish such Schools of Learning which will provide mentorship to the students in different aspects of education, envisaged in NEP-2020.
- * With reference to Agenda Item No. 8.8, Prof. R.K. Ganjoo suggested that one-time exemption in certain rules and regulations for conducting examinations of UG and PG courses should be clearly mentioned in the notifications/circulars.
The Chairperson, Dr. S.P. Saraswat informed the council that it has already been done.
- * With reference to Agenda Item No. 8.10, Prof. R.K. Ganjoo suggested that possibility of starting vocational courses as mandated in NEP-2020 in addition to Honours courses should be explored. Prof. Ganjoo: Sought a blanket approval in advance from Academic Council for starting vocational courses and when approval from administrative department will be granted, the college can start these courses.
The Chairperson, Dr. S.P. Saraswat apprised the council of the policy document for starting vocational courses as issued by the Higher Education Department, Government of Jammu and Kashmir. The Chairperson also informed that the College has submitted a proposal for starting two vocational courses to the administrative department.
- * With reference to Agenda Item No. 8.13, Prof. R.K. Ganjoo suggested starting of Open Distance Learning (ODL) courses in future, as mandated by NEP-2020 and also suggested that footfall of students for MOOC courses should be increased as these are must for students now.
- * With reference to Agenda Item No. 8.15, Prof. R.K. Ganjoo suggested that College needs to put in sincere efforts to increase GER from disadvantageous/weaker/disability sections of the society.

The Chairperson, Dr. S.P. Saraswat informed the council that College had already sent proposal to the administrative department for usage of huge resources of college in the evening time for the benefit of the students in particular and society in general.

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Queries

- With reference to Agenda Item No.8.4, Prof. R. K. Ganjoo wished to know about the mode of conducting practical in Science stream.
The Chairperson, Dr.S.P.Saraswat responded by saying that the College is exploring the idea of virtual labs.
- With reference to Agenda Item No.8.5, Prof. R. K. Ganjoo wished to know about the guidelines for implementing reservation policy.
The Chairperson, Dr.S.P.Saraswat informed the council that College works in accordance with the circular issued by the Higher Education Department, Government of Jammu and Kashmir that had taken into account both the UGC guidelines as well as the guidelines issued by the Government of Jammu and Kashmir from time to time on reservation respectively.
- With reference to Agenda Item No.8.14, Prof. R. K. Ganjoo wished to know about how and in which fields College would start research activities.
The Chairperson, Dr.S.P.Saraswat apprised the council of a policy document for promoting research in all the colleges under Hub and Spoke model as already issued by the Higher Education Department, Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

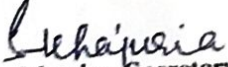
The meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the Chair by the Member Secretary, Dr.Sonia Khajuria (Deptt. Of English).

Minutes of 8th meeting of Academic Council are submitted for approval to the Chairperson of the Academic Council of College.


Chairperson

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