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Proceedings of the Academic Council Meeting: 2016-17

The Meeting of the Academic Council was held at 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 27th May 2017 in the Department of Zoology – Seminar Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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| Dr. R. Nagarajan , Chairman & Principal | Dr. S. Brama Vidhya , HOD of Micro-Biology |
| Dr. K. Arumugam ,
Member-Secretary & HOD of Mathematics | Mrs. K. Bhuvaneswari , HOD of Mgt. Studies |
| Mr. K. Karthikeyan ,
Secretary i/c, A.V.C. Education Committee | Mr. S.T. Sankar , HOD of Vis. Com. |
| Mrs. M. Beatrice Margaret ,
Joint Director of Collegiate Education | Ms. T. Akilandeswari , HOD of Bio. Tech. |
| Dr. J.A. Arul Chellakumar , Director i/c, Council
for College & Curriculum Development &
Prof. – Dept. of Economics, BARD | Mrs. S. Sugunakala , HOD of Bio. Info. |
| Dr. V. Vinod Kumar , Prof, Dept of English, BARD | Mr. C.S. Iyappan , COE |
| Dr. K. Thamaraiselvi ,
Asst. Prof. of Environmental Bio. Tech., BARD | Dr. K. Senthilnayagam , Librarian |
| Dr. S. Tamilvelu , HOD of Tamil | Dr. J. Rajkumar , Physical Director |
| Dr. K. Mehanathan , HOD of English | Dr. N. Baskaran , IQAC Co-ordinator |
| Dr. A. Seenivasan , HOD of History | Dr. R. Karthikeyan , R&D Cell In-Charge |
| Dr. S. Ramasamy , HOD of Economics | Mrs. S. Sathyabama , Asst. Prof. of English |
| Dr. M. Mathivanan , HOD of Commerce | Dr. M. Sivakumar , Asst. Prof. of History |
| Mr. C. Panneerselvam , HOD of Physics | Mrs. S. Selvi , Asst. Prof. of Economics |
| Dr. G. Vivekanandan , HOD of Chemistry | Dr. T. Prabu , Asst. Prof. of Physics |
| Mr. S. Rajasekaran , HOD of Botany | Mrs. M. Hemamalini , Asst. Prof. of CS |
| Dr. K. Thyagarajan , HOD of Computer Science | Dr. A. Arokiyaraj , Asst. Prof. of Chemistry |
| Mrs. K. Krishnaveni , HOD of Elec. Sci. | Mrs. Sylvia Nithia Kumari , Asst. Prof. of Botany |
| | Mrs. G. Sharmila , Asst. Prof. of Zoology |
| | Ms. V. Merline Epiphaniya , II M.Sc., Maths |
| | Ms. M. Athmaramani , III B.A. Economics |
| | Ms. S. Subhashini , III B.Sc., Bio-Tech. |

The members of the Academic Council were welcomed and the new members were introduced by Dr. R. Nagarajan, Principal and Chairman of the Academic Council. In his introductory remark, he mentioned about the establishment of A.V.C. College by Anbanathapuram Vahaiara Charities, to serve the cause of Higher Education. He highlighted the various achievements of the College over the past 61 years. He narrated about the award of 'A' grade in the third cycle of NAAC (CGPA=3.34/4.00). He was pleased to inform that based on the performance and achievements of Phase-I of the 'College with Potential for Excellence (CPE)', the UGC has awarded Phase-II 'College with Potential for Excellence' with a tune of financial assistance of 1.25 crores for a period of five years. He is very proud to inform that the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India's, National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) placed our college in 43rd position among the top 100 colleges of India and 15th position in Tamil Nadu. Our college is the only college from the Cauvery deltaic region and one of the few colleges from rural India. He mentioned about the review made by Autonomous Review

Committee from UGC and mentioned their appreciation on our outstanding performance and confirmed that the UGC and Bharathidasan University extended the Autonomy of our institution until year 2022. He said our institution has more than 25 years in autonomous status. We fulfill all the expectations of UGC in a way we are very happy that trying our level best. The Triennial Committee of the Bharathidasan University impressed with the performance of the college.

In his talk the Chairman narrated the necessity to revise the syllabi content of the Curriculum based on the deliberations of recent Autonomous Review Committee visit during October 2017. He also elucidated the activities and performance we show to fulfill the expectations of apex bodies such as UGC, NAAC, etc. on curriculum design, teaching, evaluations and research. He briefly mentioned the achievements made by the students on curricular, co-curricular and extracurricular activities. He also mentioned achievements made by the teaching staff in teaching and research endeavours.

He mentioned the external funding obtained in this academic year by the Department of Zoology to organize "International Conference on Current Challenges in Conservation of Biodiversity (In4CB-2017)" from Biodiversity Authority of India, Chennai; Science and Engineering Research Board, Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, New Delhi; and Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology, Chennai. Further, he mentioned that National Academies namely, Indian Academy of Sciences (IASc), Bengaluru, Indian National Science Academy (INSA), New Delhi and National Academy of Sciences (NASI), Allahabad funded for Lecture Workshops for Department of Botany and Department of Chemistry. Also he mentioned about the funding obtained by the Department of Economics for training programme on "Youth Employability Skills for College Students" from Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India, Sriperumbudur Chennai. He also mentioned the major and minor research projects received by faculty members in the Department of Zoology from DST – Science & Engineering Research Board, Government of India, University Grant Commission (UGC), and by IUCN, India. He also mentioned about the prominent foreign faculty visits to our institution by Prof. Stephen E.G. Lea, former Deputy Vice-Chancellor, University of Exeter, United Kingdom and Mrs. Browen Lea, Educationalist, United Kingdom visited as Visiting Faculties for a period of almost a month, and Dr. Arie van der Lugt, Associate Professor, University of Masstrist, The Netherlands for a week. At this juncture, he mentioned about the UGC's innovative scheme of appointing Adjunct Faculty Positions and support extended by the management to implement these innovative things in our college. He was happy to announce that with the acceptance of management, Dr. K. S. Devadass, I.F.S. is appointed as Adjunct Professor in the Department of Zoology and Wildlife Biology. He also mentioned about the efforts make to have campus interviews for our students.

The Chairman clarified and explained the implementations of the previous Academic Council Resolutions.

The Controller of Examinations, Mr. C.S. Iyappan, presented the results of the Autonomous Examinations 2015-16, and the list of graduates who were awarded their respective degrees at the Convocation (Graduates who passed out in April 2016) and the same were ratified.

OFFICIAL RESOLUTIONS

Mr. C.S. IYAPPAN, CONTROLLER OF EXAMINATIONS (COE)

1. Resolved to adopt the new Grading System and Classification of Final Results under CBCS for the Students admitted from 2016-17 Academic Year onwards for all UG and PG Programme, as per our University.

Seconded by Dr. S. Ramasamy

The COE explained the need and rationale for the resolution. Dr. V. Vinod Kumar (BARD) asked about the earlier systems. The COE narrated that the grading system was adopted from 2005 to 2015 and the new grading system and classification of final results under CBCS system was from 2016 academic year onwards. The COE further told that the grade points needs to be specified by the Bharathidasan University for which Dr. V. Vinod Kumar (BARD) mentioned that the University has been conducting meeting pertaining to the same and soon the final decisions will be intimated to the college.

The resolution was passed and ratified for the year 2016–17 onwards

The COE moved the following resolution based on the recommendations of College Council

2. Resolved to reintroduce the evaluation of PG scripts by the CIA in-charge faculty as Internal Examiner for the End Semester examinations only.

Seconded by Dr. S. Ramasamy

The COE explained about the double valuation system, followed for the PG valuations. He explained about the earlier system in which those who were in-charge of CIA evaluated the papers as the first examiner i.e. as internal examiner then the papers were evaluated by External Examiner as Second Valuation. The change was made in the Academic Council held during April 2015 as 40 scripts are being given to internal examiner per day and all the papers will be evaluated with restricted number of internal examiners. Dr. J. A. Arul Chellakumar sought clarification on the second valuation and the COE clarified that the second valuation is purely by the external examiners. Dr. V. Vinod Kumar asked about the modality followed to deal the difference in the mark between internal and external examiners in the paper valuation. The COE narrated the system of third valuation and potential threshold difference for the third valuation and also confirmed that the third valuation is done by using the external examiners.

The resolution was passed and ratified for the year 2017–18 onwards

Dr. S. TAMILVELU

3. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.A. Tamil V and VI semesters as approved by Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015–16 onwards.

Seconded by Dr. K. Senthilnayagam

Dr. S. Tamilvelu highlighted the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

Dr. K. MEHANATHAN

4. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.A. English V and VI semesters as approved by Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015–16 onwards.

Seconded by Mrs. S. Shathyabama

Dr. K. Meganathan narrated the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

Dr. A. SEENIVASAN

5. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.A. History V and VI semesters as approved by the Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015–16 onwards.

Seconded by Dr. M. Sivakumar

Dr. A. Seenivasan briefed the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

Dr. S. RAMASAMY

6. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.A. Economics V and VI semesters as approved by the Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015–16 onwards.

Seconded by Dr. R. Karthikeyan

Dr. S. Ramasamy explained the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

Dr. M. MATHIVANAN

7. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.Com V and VI semesters as approved by the Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015–16 onwards.

Seconded by Dr. K. Senthilnayagam

Dr. M. Mathivanan highlighted the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

Dr. K. ARUMUGAM

8. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.Sc. Mathematics V and VI semesters as approved by the Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015–16 onwards.

Seconded by Dr. S. Ramasamy

Dr. K. Arumugam explained the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

Mr. C. PANNEERSELVAM

9. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.Sc. Physics V and VI semesters as approved by the Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015–16 onwards.

Seconded by Dr. T. Prabu

Dr. C. Panneerselvam briefed the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

Dr. G. VIVEKANANDAN

10. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.Sc. Chemistry V and VI semesters as approved by the Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015–16 onwards.

Seconded by Dr. A. Arokiyaraj

Dr. G. Vivekanandan highlighted the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

Further, Dr. G. Vivekanandan told the suggestion given by the experts and members of the Board of Study that the common papers viz., Environmental studies, Human Values and Ethics, Soft Skill Development and Gender Studies can be shifted to the 1st and 2nd year instead of 3rd year. Dr. S. Ramasamy pinpointed the circular by the Principal and intimation by the COE and mentioned that the content and other aspects of these common papers need not be discussed and said that not to talk about this matter in this Academic Council. Again, Dr. G. Vivekanandan told that the change of these common papers from 3rd year to 1st and 2nd year would focus the 3rd year students to concentrate in the core papers. Principal reiterated that content and style of these common papers cannot be changed as per the order and instructions of Supreme Court, UGC and the parent University. Dr. J. A. Arul Chellakumar confirmed that these common papers are only light papers and do not affect the focus of the students. Dr. M. Mathivanan and Dr. K. Mehanathan also participated in the discussion. Principal told already the skeleton is framed and approved hence, changes cannot be done. However, the Principal told that efforts will be taken to pass the opinions on this matter to the Curriculum Director of the parent university regarding the shifting of the papers and also to conduct a meeting with all HOD'S along with COE regarding this matter.

The resolution was passed only to approve the revised syllabi for III B.Sc. Chemistry V and VI semesters and no change was allowed in the common papers

Mr. S. RAJASEKARAN

11. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.Sc., Botany as V and VI semesters approved by the Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015-16 onwards.

Seconded by Mrs. Sylvia Nithya Kumari

Dr. S. Rajasekaram narrated the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

Mrs. G. SHARMILA

12. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.Sc., Zoology V and VI semesters as approved by the Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015-16 onwards.

Seconded by Dr. N. Baskaran

Mrs. G. Sharmila explained the details of the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

Dr. K. THIYAGARAJAN

13. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.Sc., COMPUTER SCIENCE and III B.C.A. V and VI semesters as approved by the Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015-16 onwards.

Seconded by Mrs. M. Hemamalini

Dr. K. Thiyagarajan elucidated the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

Mrs. K. KRISHNAVENI

14. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.Sc., Electronic Science V and VI semesters as approved by the Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015–16 onwards.

Seconded by Dr. S. Brama Vidhya

Mrs. K. Krishnaveni briefed the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

Mrs. K. BHUVANESHWARI

15. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.B.A. V and VI semesters as approved by the Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015–16 onwards.

Seconded by Ms. T. Akilandeswari

Mrs. K. Bhuvaneshwari highlighted the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

Dr. S. BRAMMA VIDHYA

16. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.Sc., Micro Biology V and VI semesters as approved by the Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015–16 onwards.

Seconded by Mrs. S. Sugunakala

Dr. S. Brama Vidhya explained the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

Mr. S.T. SANKAR

17. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.Sc. Visual Communication V and VI semesters as approved by the Board of Studies for the students admitted from the academic year 2015–2016 onwards.

Seconded by Dr. M. Mathivanan

Mr. S.T. Sankar narrated the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

Ms. T. AKILANDESWARI

18. Resolved to approve the revised syllabi for III B.Sc., Biotechnology V and VI semesters as approved by the Board of Studies for the students admitted from academic year 2015–16 onwards.

Seconded by Mrs. K. Krishnaveni

Ms. T. Akilandeswari highlighted the changes and the modifications made in the syllabi.

The resolution was passed

MEMBER RESOLUTIONS

Dr. S. RAMASAMY

1. Resolved to permit the student who have 70 to 74% of attendance for a paper shall apply for condonation in the prescribed form with the prescribed fee of Rs.300/- (Rupees Three Hundred Only) instead of the existing Rs.500 [Rupees Five Hundred Only] for a paper. Students who have earned below 50/60 % of attendance for a paper are not eligible to appear for the examination. They shall re-do the Semester(s) after completion of the Programme.

Seconded by Mrs. S. Selvi

Dr. S. Ramasamy explained the necessity of the resolution and he pointed out the genuineness of the resolution. Dr. S. Ramasamy clarified the doubt raised by the student representative regarding the condonation fees, rules and regulations. He suggested the condonation fees of Rs. 300 for students with attendance from 70 to 74% and Rs.500 for students with attendance below 70%. The student representative asked consideration for students with below 50% attendance and insisted about students' who are undertaking extensive part-time jobs. Principal told that students with below 50% of attendance cannot be considered as they have the next option of redoing the course. Students with below 50% of attendance in most of the papers and semesters could go for the correspondence course. COE suspected that if consideration given for the students with attendance between 70% to 74% then the number of cases for paying condonation fees could increase considerably. Principal told there are two or more resolutions i.e. by Member Resolution Number 2, by Dr. S. Tamilvelu and the Students' Resolution Number 1, by Mr. M. Athmaramani (U14 4117, III B.A. Economics) related to this matter. Hence, it is better to make decision by considering all the resolutions together.

Dr. S. TAMILVELU

2. Resolved to modify the condonation i.e. Rs. 500, 250, 100 from the students if they appear more than one paper (At present based on students attendance percentage, the fees are collected as Rs.500 per paper).

Seconded by Dr. M. Sivakumar

Dr. S. Tamilvelu elucidated the importance of his resolution and told that generally UG students study 37 papers. The papers namely Non-major Elective Course, Extra-disciplinary Course, Soft Skill Development, Environmental Studies, Human Values and Ethics, Gender Studies and Skill Based Course are common papers. These papers are having one or two or three hours per cycle of time table. He explained that suppose a student leave after one or two hours from the class and for these papers the attendance would be reduced. In a semester if a student does not come 50% of classes, that student has to pay condonation fees for more number of papers. For example, a student in the aided session pays Rs.3000 as condonation fees for six papers, but the same student pays tuition fees of around Rs.1500 only, so the condonation fee needs to be reduced based on number of papers by using different stages as mentioned in the resolution. Dr. S. Ramasamy told it is not possible to allow a student who comes to college with 50% of attending classes. Here, he pointed that the total credit for a UG course is 120 credits which is based on the instructional hours. We have to consider all the papers uniformly. Further, he quoted that in his above resolution he asked consideration for the percentage attendance instead of number of papers. Dr. G. Vivekananthan and Dr. M. Mathivanan also participated in the discussion. Principal mentioned again about the students' Resolution Number 1, by Mr. M. Athmaramani (U14 4117, III B.A. Economics) related to this matter and decision can be made after considering the remaining resolution.

3. Resolved to approve the allocation of one unit of papers offered at the PG level as self study for those students to be admitted from the academic year 2018 – 2019.

Seconded by Dr. J. Rajkumar

Dr. S. Tamilvelu narrated about this resolution and explained reason for the resolution. He felt that this would enhance the reading behaviour of the students particularly the subject matter. Further, he insisted that one unit of self study for UG and PG students gives Intellectual growth for the students. He explained that at least this self study unit can be given PG student. External expert Dr. V. Vinod Kumar opined that it is not feasible as it will affect the workload of the teacher. He suggested that instead of units, introduce self study paper and give additional credits for the students. He also asked the Principal about existing practice of earning extra credits by the students. Principal was pointing out the prevailing system in the Department of Zoology of providing the extra credits for self study papers for the students of M.Sc. Wildlife Biology course. Further, Dr. V. Vinod Kumar suggested to encourage students to take online courses and asked to give extra credits for the successful completion of the courses. Principal asked him about the modality of accepting online courses and issuing of credits for the same. Based on the discussion, Principal plans to conduct a meeting with all HODs along with COE regarding this matter. In addition, Dr. G. Vivekananthan, Dr. M. Mathivanan, Dr. N. Baskaran, Dr. S. Ramasamy and Prof. C. Panner Selvam also participated in the deliberations. Mr. K. Karthikeyan, Secretary i/c, A.V.C. Education Committee, narrated the need for motivating the students for extra reading and also felt that the students do not have sufficient self study pertaining to the subjects and also feels that the library reading materials are not extensively used the students. Further, he added that the staff members should motivate them to read a lot and use the library extensively. Most of council members preferred to give additional papers for Self Study course and give extra credits for the students. Finally, Principal told based on the deliberations as well as the expert Dr. V. Vinod Kumar (BARD) suggestions, we have to think more and discuss in this matter to explore all options and modalities for implementation in the future.

Based on the deliberations by considering all the pros and cons the resolution was deferred

Dr. K. MEHANATHAN

4. Resolved to approve students may be allowed to appear for papers along with their regular papers in all Six Main End Semester Examinations. If a student fails in the First Semester ESE, he/she could get only three opportunities under the supplementary Examination Systems within three years. If the same candidate is allowed to reappear along with regular paper in all the consecutive ESE, he/she could get five opportunities within three years. Only the students with current arrear may be allowed in the supplementary Examinations.

Seconded by Dr. K. Senthilnayagam

Dr. K. Mehanathan explained the reason for the resolution and insisting that the numbers of chances are fewer in the existing system by quoting the University system. Further, he mentioned that conducting immediately the supplementary examinations does not give enough time for preparations. The COE did not accept Dr. K. Mehanathan's views and said that the results cannot be declared quickly as we have been declaring results within short duration from the inception of Autonomy. Dr. N. Baskaran pointed out if a student does not pass in the examination within one Month i.e. immediate supplementary examination, how can he/she pass in the next semester i.e. writing examination after three to four months. Principal clearly indicated that either we can follow our existing examination system or changing to the university system. But, hybriding these two systems, a new system cannot be established by using existing facilities. Further, Dr. N. Baskaram told that extending the chances could degrade our quality. Dr. M. Mathivanan supported Dr. K. Mehanathan resolution by quoting that this system could help the students of below average

and poor performers. Dr. S. Ramasamy, Prof. C. Panner Selvam also participated in the deliberations.

One of the student representatives Ms. S. Subashini told the present examination system is better for them. The Principal told the student also expressed the existing examination system is preferable and feasible and in the present system the results are declared within 30 days which is one of the main advantages of autonomy.

After through deliberations considering on the pros and cons, the resolution was deferred

STUDENTS RESOLUTIONS

Mr. M. ATHMARAMANI (U144117 – III B.A., Economics – Day)

1. Resolved to approve the change in the condonation fee for the welfare of rural poor students

I Year and II Year		III Year	
Attendance %	Condonation Fee	Attendance %	Condonation Fee
60 to 65	Rs. 400	50 to 55	Rs. 500
66 to 70	Rs. 250	56 to 60	Rs. 400
71 to 74	Rs. 100	61 to 65	Rs. 300
		66 to 70	Rs. 200
		71 to 74	Rs. 100

Seconded by Ms. V. Merline Epiphaniya

Mr. M. Athmaramani explained the resolution. The Principal told that all the three resolutions (given by Dr. S. Ramasamy, Dr. S. Tamilvelu and Student) can be considered together now and can derive common conclusion. Dr. N. Baskaran questioned that if a student unable to attend 75% classes for a paper in a semester why the student needs to be given concession. Further, such students can be treated as indiscipline and irregular student and can make him regular and disciplined by preventing these chances. Dr. G. Vivekananthan also told that these students need not be considered and create more indiscipline and irregularity problems. The COE, Dr. M. Mathivanan, Dr. K. Thiyagarajan participated in the deliberations. Mr. K. Karthikeyan, Secretary i/c, A.V.C. Education Committee also suggested that more considerations need not be given and also about the essentiality of keeping discipline and regularity among the students. Dr. S. Ramasamy again participated in the discussion and he told the genuineness of his resolution. Dr. T. Prabu and Dr. K. Mehanathan also participated in the discussion. Finally, it is felt that the difference is vast in the attendance between 50% and 74% and are currently being treated equally. Further, the students with percentage of attendance closer (i.e. from 70 to 74%) to minimum required attendance from exemption of condonation fees (i.e. 75%) needs to be considered for their existing efforts to be regular.

All the three resolutions were passed with amendments and modification that the condonation fees per paper is of Rs.300/- instead of Rs.500/- for students who are having 70 to 74% attendance and for all other students who are having attendance between 50% and 69%, the condonation fee is Rs.500/- per paper. Further, it is confirmed that this decision is paper specific and each paper should be considered individually with its respective percentage of attendance

2. Resolved to approve to conduct certificate courses on the semester vacations to obtain the employment opportunities for the students.

Seconded by Ms. S. Subhashini

The Principal asked the student to be specific about the certificate courses. The student said a course 'How to work in a company'. Principal mentioned about the existing courses such as YOGA, BPO,

etc. and also narrated about the poor responses by the students for these kinds of courses. Further, Principal asked the students to pinpoint courses with specific requirements which will be considered in the future.

The mover did not insist the resolution

Ms. S. SUBHASHINI (U14 3150 – III B.Sc., Bio Technology – Eve)

3. Resolved to approve extra new courses in our college for the betterment of our future.

Seconded by Mr. M. Athmaramani

The student asked to start two new courses, such as i) Fashion Technology and ii) Journalism.

Principal told that already we started a course called Nutrition and Home Sciences and the students' response became poor and hence the course has been temporarily suspended. The Journalism Course is offered in Indhira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) which is conducted through our college IGNOU centre. The students are allowed to join the courses in IGNOU while they are doing their regular course. Principal said that the viability of Fashion Technology in the rural atmosphere and employability after the course needs to be explored and then appropriate actions will be taken.

The mover did not insist the resolution

MEMBER RESOLUTION – Supplementary

The Bharathidasan University has enhanced the minimum attendance for condonation from 50 to 60% during March 2017 and based on the same our Academic Council (dt. 25.05.2016) also enhanced the minimum attendance from 50 to 60% for condonation for the students admitted from the academic year 2016–17 onwards. Subsequently, the University changed back the minimum attendance for condonation attendance from 60 to 50%. Hence, Dr. S. Ramasamy requested to table it as a supplementary agenda. The agenda is as follows:

Dr. S. RAMASAMY

1. Resolved to Permit the students who have earned 50% and above of attendance for a paper to appear for the end semester examination after collecting the condonation fees [based on the Bharathidasan University-CBCS-Regulation for the UG and PG Programmes from the academic year 2016–17 onwards].

Seconded by Mr. M. Athmaramani

Dr. N. Baskaran asked clarification whether is it applicable to a candidate with only one paper or more papers? Dr. S. Ramasamy clarified that, it is applicable for all the papers. Mr. K. Karthikeyan, Secretary i/c, A.V.C. Education Committee, Dr. T. Prabu, Dr. S. Tamilvelu participated in the deliberations. Principal felt that we can follow the university pattern of minimum 50% attendance for condonation as it is being practiced over the years in our college earlier. The students availed this benefit earlier which would be helpful to them and hence the reduction can be considered *on par* with university. Therefore, we can follow the resolution from the academic year 2017–18 onwards.

The resolution was passed

The Principal asked the members whether there is any other matter to be taken for discussion. But, none was proposed.

Finally, he invited the Member Secretary to propose a vote of thanks. Dr. K. Arumugam, Member – Secretary of Academic Council proposed vote of thanks.
