

## Minutes of the Board of Studies of the Department of Physics held on 19/03/2021 at 2.30 pm

The second meeting of the Board of Studies of Physics, Vimala College (Autonomous), Thrissur for the academic year 2020-21 was held on 19-3-2021 at 2.30 pm am on a virtual platform via Google meet. Dr. Malini K A, Head of the Post Graduate and Research Department of Physics and Chairperson of the Board, welcomed the board members. The Chairperson also briefed the minutes of the previous board of studies meeting.

The Agenda of the meeting:

1. Revised mode of conduct of practical examinations adopted by the university and ratification of the same for UG as well as PG Programmes.
2. Evaluation of activities of the current academic year.
3. Planning of activities of next academic year
4. Discussion of outcome-based education and Course Outcome (CO) Programme Outcome (PO) mapping which is being carried out in the College.

Members present

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| Chairperson                                | : | Dr Malini K A,        | sd/ |
| University Nominee                         | : | Dr Ravikumar C D      | sd/ |
| Subject Expert(Outside Parent University)  | : | Dr Sheena Xavier      | sd/ |
| Subject Expert (Outside Parent University) | : | Dr Santhosh Kumar M C | sd/ |
| Industry Representative                    | : | Dr K R Dayas          | sd/ |
| Alumnae Representative                     | : | Dr Reena Mary A P     | sd/ |

Members

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| Dr Mini Krishna K   | sd/ |
| Dr Veena Gopalan E  | sd/ |
| Dr Dhanya Johnson   | sd/ |
| Ms Jovia Jose       | sd/ |
| Ms Laveena Varghese | sd/ |
| Mr Santhosh P Jose  | sd/ |
| Dr Aneesh George    | sd/ |
| Dr Regina Jose      | sd/ |

Discussions on the various items in the Agenda of the meeting resulted in the following suggestions and recommendations

**Item 1: Revised mode of conduct of practical examinations adopted by the university and ratification of the same for UG as well as PG programmes**

- a. The chairperson explained about the new orders issued by University of Calicut on the number of experiments to be carried out, Study tour and Project for the final year UG and PG students in the wake of Covid 19 Pandemic. The BoS approved to implement these changes accordingly.
- b. Regarding study tour of the current outgoing UG batch, the Board approved the discussion on the submission of report of their visit to Cochin university during the last academic year and the participation in the webinar and virtual tour series jointly conducted by the UG board of University of Calicut and Academy of Physics Teachers Kerala
- c. Moreover, there were discussions on whether these modifications are to be implemented for the first year PG students. However, the board finally decided to wait for the further order from University about the changes. It also recommended that the decision of the university in this regard can be adopted for the batches after the university issues the order .

**Item 2. Evaluation of activities of the current academic year.**

- a. BoS discussed about the activities carried out during the academic year. Chairperson, Dr K A Malini informed the members about the programmes conducted in connection with DBT Star College Scheme, Vimala Energy Management Cell and the regular activities of the department. Chairperson also explained about the current status of exams. All odd semester exams are completed and the even semester exam schedule is declared. The special exams for those who could not attend the regular exams due to Covid Pandemic were arranged.

**Items 3: Planning of activities of next academic year**

- a. Chairperson informed the members about the forthcoming NAAC visit. Many regular programmes like Physigala biannual exhibition, eye to sky workshop series and training for higher secondary teachers, which were postponed due to covid 19 situations, are to be rescheduled. BoS members suggested that there should be some novel ideas which are useful for students other than academic activities to increase the outreach of the department. Staff members ensured their willingness to carry out such programmes and informed about the training given to students about the energy audit. A brief idea about the awareness programmes planned for the people of the UBA villages was presented.

**Item 4 : Discussion of OBE and Course Outcome (CO) - Programme Outcome (PO) mapping which is being carried out in the college.**

- a. The workshop on CO – PO mapping is scheduled . The details of the mapping program and the parameters were briefly presented.

The Head of the Department thanked the Board members for their valuable suggestions and presence. Their co-operation throughout the present Board meeting was specially mentioned with gratitude. The meeting concluded at 3.30 pm.