



**Minutes of the 9th Meeting of the Governing Body held on
Tuesday, 26th October 2021**

The 9th meeting of the Governing Body of SVKM's Mithibai College (Autonomous) was conducted offline (in Conference Room at President's Office, 10th floor, NMIMS building)/online (on Zoom platform) on Tuesday, 26th October, 2021 at 12.00 noon.

Following members attended the meeting:

Chairman:

Shri Amrish Patel, President, SVKM

Members:

Shri Shalin Divatia
Shri Amit B. Sheth
Shri Mohan Awate
Dr. M.N. Welling
Shri Deepak Ghaisas
Dr. Nupur Mehrotra
Dr. Shashikant Patil

UGC Nominee:

Dr. Latha Pillai

University Nominee:

Dr. Dnyaneshwar M. Doke

Ex-Officio:

Dr. Krutika B. Desai (I/c. Principal)

Special Invitee:

Shri Asoke Basak
Shri Sudhir Shrivastava



Agenda

1. **Welcome & Introductory remarks by the Chairman:**

- Shri Amrish Patel was in the Chair.
- Permission for digital recording of the meeting was sought.
- After completion of first three years of autonomy, the Governing Body reconstituted for next term of three years starting June 2021. New members on the reconstituted Governing Body were introduced to the house by Dr. Krutika B. Desai, I/c. Principal.
- Dr. Krutika B. Desai welcomed all the members on behalf of the Chairman.

2. **Leave of Absence, if any:**

State Government Nominee : Nomination awaited

3. **To confirm the draft minutes of last meeting of Governing Body held on 25th May 2021:**

There being no correction/s suggested, it was RESOLVED that the minutes of last meeting of the Governing Body held on 25th May 2021 be confirmed and signed. **Action**

Taken Report:

Declaration of results

The Chair stated as to why declaration of results of postgraduate (PG) were delayed beyond stipulated time , although there are less numbers of students. To avoid late declaration of results, it was suggested that the results can be declared programme wise/in phase like M.A. at one time, M.Sc. at one time, and likewise also for undergraduate (UG) programmes such as BMS, BBI & so on. It was also suggested that next time while data of declaration of results will be presented, one more column for number of students appeared be added and programmes in deficit be highlighted.

Teachers training for setting of question papers and evaluation methods

It was suggested that the first round of training be a generalized training for all faculty of colleges under SVKM banner. This should be followed by training as per domain specific method.

Remuneration to be finalized by Shri Amit Sheth, Incharge-Mithibai College.

Soft skills

It was suggested that the Soft Skills Training Officer appointed by the Management should be given the task in the remaining time whenever s/he is not busy for soft skill training in classrooms as per timetable.



4. Principal's review of the activities & major events:

Admissions

It was observed that there were less numbers of students admitted below the intake capacity, particularly for PG programmes such as M.Com. & M.Sc. and also for some UG programmes i.e. B.Sc. The Principal informed that B.Sc.-Applied Statistics & Data Analytics (Honours) is a new programme introduced this year, which will take 2-3 years to increase demand & popularity. For PG programmes she mentioned that we have shortage of space in laboratories where practicals are conducted, so desired number of students at a time cannot be accommodated. It was, therefore, suggested to take overall stock of situation and check possibility of discontinuing the programmes which are not in demand by the students or to combine the programmes similar in nature viz. two M.Com. in one, two M.Sc. similar programmes in one, etc. It was informed that for aided courses we have no option but to continue them. The Chair specified need to discuss internally the reasons for low interest of students for certain subjects/programmes. The Principal informed that it might be due to hike in fees, stringent attendance norms, high percentage of cut off for admission, etc.

Results analysis (subject-wise)

The Principal was requested to check the results, which is high for SYBA Sem.-IV in the subject of Emerging Fields in Sociology.

Suggestion was made to notify students well in advance that the examinations will be conducted exclusively on offline mode.

Training & Placement

It was mentioned that the Training & Placement activity is not happening upto the desired level. It may be due to lack of knowledge by the present Placement Officer & Soft Skills Officer appointed by the SVKM as they are giving excuses of non-availability of classrooms & lack of subject knowledge of students, syllabus/textbook/reference books, etc. It is not certain whether the blame goes to students or trainer/s.

It was suggested that rigorous criteria should be applied to select outside trainers & a system of pre-approval put in place.

Shri Amit Sheth informed that we have invited industrialist & that subject-wise brochure is being prepared. The Chair directed Shri Amit Sheth to take lead by convening a meeting of persons concerned to solve the issue of Training & Placement so that Soft skills be made compulsory for First Year level next year.



5. To consider the Recommendations of 12th Academic Council meeting held on 25th September, 2021:

With regard to progression rule of implementing ATKT in three subject to No ATKT for students from academic year 2022-23 progressively, the house was informed that the college already gives second chance to failed students to appear for re-examination, and that there is no injustice made to the students. This progression rule is required for enhancing quality of education.

Discussed & Approved.

6. To consider the Recommendations of the Finance Committee meeting dated 9th October 2021:

Approved.

7. Any other item with the permission of the Chair:

There being no other matter, the meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the Chair.

K Desai
4/11/2022.

Dr. Krutika B. Desai
Ex-Officio-Governing Body
(In-Charge Principal)

Amrish Patel
Chairman, Governing Body