

UNIVERSITY OF PESHAWAR

Minutes of the Meeting of the Academic Council
held on April 05, 2012

A meeting of the Academic Council was held on 05.04.2012 at 10:00 A.M. at Sir Sahibzada Abdul Qayyum Khan Conference Hall. The meeting started with recitation from the Holy Quran by Professor Dr. Mirajul Islam Zia, Director, Institute of Islamic & Arabic Studies. The Vice-Chancellor in his opening remarks welcomed the members and said that their inputs would go a long way in promotion of learning and research. Thereafter, the following agenda items were taken up for consideration:

Item – 01: ADOPTION OF DEGREE SUPPLEMENT FORM

After threadbare discussion the Academic Council referred the matter to a Committee of the following to look into the possibility of adopting Degree Supplement Form:

1. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Riaz Khan (Convener)
Dean, Faculty of Numerical & Physical Sciences
2. Mr. Sherin Zada Khattak
Director, Quality Enhancement Cell
3. Dr. Badshah Munir
Deputy Registrar (P&D)
4. Mr. Yorid Ahsan Zia (Secretary)
Deputy Controller of Examinations

The Vice-Chancellor further desired that a number of forms used for various purposes in the Academics, Admissions, Establishment, Examinations, Meetings and Treasury etc. need to be looked into appropriately and to go for alternative formats thereof. He asked the Registrar to work out all such forms in consultation with other universities/allied Government Departments etc. and to submit a consolidated report to the Academic Council.

Item – 02: SYLLABUS OF SHARIA AND LAW AND ITS INCLUSION AS COMPOSITE SUBJECT OF THE DISCIPLINE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS)

The Academic Council confirmed the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor duly notified vide Notification No.03/A-II/Academic, dated 06.01.2010.

Item – 03: OFFERING THE DISCIPLINE OF PHARM-D (CONDENSED COURSE 1-YEAR PROGRAMME) IN THE EVENING SHIFT

The Academic Council confirmed the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor duly notified vide Notification No.212/A-II/Academic, dated 16.12.2009.

Item – 04: INCLUSION OF NINE DISCIPLINES IN THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR ONE YEAR POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN DPM (DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND MANAGEMENT)

The Academic Council confirmed the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor duly notified vide Notification No.205/A-II/Academic, dated 17.11.2009.

Item – 05: AWARD OF COMBINED DETAILED MARKS CERTIFICATE OF PHARM-D.

While considering the fact that separate Gold Medals/Merit Positions have already been awarded on the basis of respective B.Pharmacy and Pharm-D results, the Academic Council did not accede to the request of Ms. Lala Rukh D/O Dr. Musarrat Khan Khattak and her colleagues for the award of combined Detailed Marks Certificate of B.Pharmacy and Pharm-D.

Further, the Academic Council agreed to the proposal of the Board of Studies of the Department of Pharmacy (placed on the agenda vide Suppl Item-3, Item-2, Sub-Item-5 “Format of Degree for Pharm-D. Condensed Course” for the award of One-Year Pharm-D Degree bearing the words “Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm-D.) (One Year) After Passing 4-Year Course of B-Pharmacy”.

Item – 06: NOMINATION OF SUBJECT EXPERT ON THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, NATIONAL CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE IN PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY.

The Academic Council confirmed the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor duly notified vide Notification No.10/A-I/Academic, dated 19.01.2010.

Item – 07: INTEGRATED TRAINING COURSES TO BE ADOPTED IN THE STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR THE NEWLY APPOINTED TEACHERS IN THE UNIVERSITY OF PESHAWAR

The Academic Council after profound deliberation agreed to recommend the courses for the adoption in the STI and further decided that:

- The Integrated Training Course will not be mandatory for the confirmation of newly inducted teachers. However, some sort of incentives be provided to those who pass the said course.
- The STI shall also impart training to teachers/administrative staff of other universities, colleges, departments and organizations.
- For this purpose the Staff Training Institute (STI) shall be renamed as “Human Resource and Career Development Centre / Centre for Human Resource and Career Development” to broaden its scope of activities.
- The First Position Holder in the training / course shall be given priority for the award of M.PHIL./PH.D scholarships whenever advertised by the University.
- The STI shall offer courses for the University Officers and Teachers to enhance their managerial/administrative skills and acquaint them with the financial rules/regulations of the University.

Some other members suggested diverse themes to be included in the syllabus of STI. The Academic Council recommended that inclusion of new themes in STI should be a continuous process and STI should offer training on such themes regularly.

Item – 08: ISSUANCE OF B.SC. (HONS) DEGREE IN GEOLOGY

The Academic Council after discussing the case in length referred it to the following Committee:

1. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Iqbal (Convener)
Department of Statistics
2. Registrar, University of Peshawar.
3. Addl. Treasurer, University of Peshawar.
4. Dy. Registrar (Acad), University of Peshawar
5. Deputy Registrar (Admissions)
6. Deputy Controller of Examinations, University of Peshawar.
7. Director, Quality Enhancement Cell, University of Peshawar (Secretary)

Item – 09: REGULATIONS FOR COURSES OF STUDY FOR DIPLOMA IN INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

The Academic Council after lengthy discussion referred the case to the Committee constituted vide Item-08 above.

Item – 10: CONVERSION OF PAPER MODERATION INTO MODEL PAPER SYSTEM

The case was referred to the Committee constituted vide Item No.8. The Committee was also entrusted with the task to carefully look into overall Examination Rules/Regulations/Remunerations and propose necessary changes/modifications where required. It was further decided to continue with the practice in vogue for the time being.

Item – 11: CONVERSION OF THE MARKS INTO GRADES RELATING TO PRACTICAL/TEACHING PRACTICE

The case was referred to the Committee as mentioned at Item No.8.

Item – 12: ABOLISHING SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

The Academic Council decided to refer the case to the Committee as mentioned at Item No.8.

Item – 13: EQUIVALENCE OF 2-YEAR MS DEGREE TO 2-YEAR M.PHIL DEGREE

The Academic Council approved the recommendations of Advanced Studies and Research Board (ASRB) made in its meeting held on 25.11.2009 i.e. “Equivalence of MS to M.PHIL provided the former is completed under M.PHIL/PH.D. Regulations 2005”.

Item – 14: APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSORS AS MEMBERS ON THE ADVANCED STUDIES AND RESEARCH BOARD

The Academic Council confirmed the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor duly notified vide Notification No.117/PhD/Adms-III, dated 07.04.2010.

Item – 15: MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FACULTY OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES, UNIVERSITY OF PESHAWAR, HELD ON 30.01.2012.

The Academic Council after thorough discussion endorsed the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Faculty of Arts and Humanities, held on 30.01.2012, with the following observations on Item-2 of the minutes of the Board of Faculty:

“A new Course on the (1) History of Colonization (2) Globalization be included in the Syllabus of History at higher level.

Prof. Dr. Taj Moharram Khan be consulted for making corrections in the order/ arrangement of the recommended readings for the courses. Some other reference books may also be included in the existing list of recommended books in consultation with Mr. Jamil Ahmad, Institute of Archaeology & Anthropology.

Item – 16: MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF PESHAWAR, HELD ON 06.04.2010 AND 27.04.2010.

The Academic Council endorsed the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Faculty of Social Sciences, held on 06.04.2010 and 27.04.2010, and recommended the same to the Syndicate for approval. However, the proposed courses of M.A. Sociology and M.A. Social Work were withdrawn on the request of the Director, Institute of Social Work, Sociology and Gender Studies.

Item – 17: MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FACULTY OF ISLAMIC & ORIENTAL STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF PESHAWAR, HELD ON 13.04.2010.

The Academic Council endorsed the minutes of meeting of the Board of Faculty of Islamic & Oriental Studies, held on 13.04.2010, and recommended the same to the Syndicate for approval.

Item – 18: GAT REQUIREMENT FOR ADMISSION TO M.PHIL/PH.D. PROGRAMME

The item was approved as recommended by Advanced Studies and Research Board (ASRB) made in its meeting 25.11.2009 vide item No.33.

Item – 19: ESTABLISHMENT OF DIRECTORATE OF DISTANCE EDUCATION

The Academic Council confirmed the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor vide Notification No.108/Acad-I, dated 05.07.2010, with the instructions to replace the words “Private Students” by “External Students”.

Item – 20: LAUNCHING POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA / MS IN APPLIED LINGUISTICS UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION

The Academic Council confirmed the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor vide Notification No.7158/A-II, dated 26.09.2008. The word “Postgraduate Diploma” was withdrawn.

Item – 21: MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EQUIVALENCE COMMITTEE HELD ON 03.04.2010

The Academic Council approved minutes of the meeting of Equivalence Committee, held on 03.04.2010 in toto.

Item – 22: MPH PROGRAMME OFFERED BY PROVINCIAL HEALTH SERVICES ACADEMY, PESHAWAR

Considering the fact that Provincial Health Services Academy (PHSA) is no more an affiliated institute of University of Peshawar, the Academic Council withdrew the item.

Item – 23: MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF STUDIES IN FORESTRY, PAKISTAN FOREST INSTITUTE (PFI), HELD ON 07.04.2010

The Academic Council decided that as Pakistan Forest Institute (PFI) is affiliated under Term System of Examination, it shall strictly follow the relevant rules/regulations and directed the Controller of Examinations to conduct the Examinations of B.Sc/M.Sc. Forestry in accordance with the University Term Regulations.

Suppl. Item – 01: APPROVAL OF 40% (SESSIONAL WORK) AND 60% (FINAL EXAMINATION) REGULATIONS FOR AFFILIATED COLLEGES / INSTITUTES

The Academic Council confirmed the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor duly notified vide Notification No.125/Acad-II, dated 02.12.2011.

Suppl. Item – 02: ABOLITION OF 3rd DIVISION FROM B.A./B.Sc.

The Academic Council agreed in principle to abolish 3rd Division passing marks at B.A./B.Sc. so as to ensure quality education and acquire academic excellence by raising passing marks in individual paper from 33% to 40% and aggregate from 36% to 45%. However, the case was referred to the Committee mentioned at Item No.8 to look into the related issues. The decision to abolish 3rd division will be implemented after the approval of the Committee's Recommendations from the Academic Council.

Suppl. Item – 03: MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FACULTY OF LIFE & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF PESHAWAR, HELD ON 09.04.2010 AND 28.07.2011

The Academic Council endorsed the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Faculty of Life & Environmental Sciences, held on 09.04.2010 and 28.07.2011, and recommended the same to the Syndicate for approval.

Suppl. Item – 04: CONDUCT OF BS (4-YEARS DEGREE PROGRAMME) EXAMINATION OF 1ST AND 2ND SEMESTER IN THE AFFILIATED COLLEGES

The Academic Council taking into consideration the Review Reports submitted by Focal Persons of the relevant disciplines accepted 100% evaluation/ assessment carried out by the concerned college teachers of 1st and 2nd Semester students (Session 2010-11) of Government College, Peshawar, Government Postgraduate College, Charsadda and Superior Science College, Peshawar, whereas the 3rd Semester onwards the examinations will be conducted under 40% (Sessional Work) and 60% (Final Examination) Regulations already notified vide Notification No.125/Acad-II, dated 02.12.2011.

Addl. Item – 01: CHANGE OF NOMENCLATURE FROM BCS 4-YEARS TO BS 4-YEARS COMPUTER SCIENCE

The Academic Council approved to change the nomenclature from BCS-4 Years to BS Computer Science.

Addl. Item – 02: ADMISSIONS TO BS 4-YEARS AND MASTER PROGRAMMES UNDER CATEGORIZED SESSION – SPECIFIC SYSTEM

The Academic Council recommended that in order to provide maximum opportunity of admissions to deserving students and to ensure peaceful academic environment free from professional-cum-political activists, the candidates who have qualified their last examination in the current year will be given first priority while those who have passed their examination in the preceding years will be given second priority, sans exceptionally genuine hardship cases.

Addl. Item – 03: MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FACULTY OF NUMERICAL & PHYSICAL SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF PESHAWAR, HELD ON 17.05.2010.

The Academic Council endorsed the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Faculty of Numerical & Physical Sciences, held on 17.05.2010, and recommended the same to the Syndicate for approval.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks and with a prayer offered by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Farooq Swati, Dean, Faculty of Arts and Humanities.

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Vice-Chancellor
Chairman

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Registrar
Member/Secretary