

## **COMBINED MEETING OF ACADEMIC COUNCIL AND GOVERNING BOARD**

Date: 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2016

Time: 4 P.M

### **Members Present:**

- H.G Dr. Philipose Mar Stephanos
- Rev. Dr. Ignacimuthu S.J
- Padmashri Dr. P Pushpangadan
- Dr. M. D Nair
- Dr. Nagabhusan
- Rev. Fr. Samuel Vilayil
- Dr. M.S Samuel
- Dr. K.R Sukumaran Nair
- Mr. Tiji Thomas
- Mr. Ligo Koshy
- Dr. S Seeni
- Rev. Antony Chethipuzha
- Mrs. Beena Cherian

Rev. Dr. Ignacimuthu S.J. presided over the meeting. The meeting commenced with a Blessing by His Grace Dr. Philipose Mar Stephanos. Thereafter, Rev. Fr. Badeep Vazhatharamalayil welcomed all dignitaries and specially welcomed Dr. S. Seeni, Research Director, MACFAST to the board meeting. Thereafter, His Grace Philipose Mar Stephanos, in his introductory talk, mentioned about the new venture of Archdiocese of Sivuvalla in Idukky District and welcomed all dignitaries and showed prayerful blessings for the forthcoming NAAC Inspection. Thereafter, in his presidential address, Rev. Dr. Ignacimuthu S.J. appreciated all the initiatives and efforts and wished the very best for getting NAAC accreditation by the institution. Subsequently, Rev. Fr. Badeep Vazhatharamalayil, Principal, MACFAST presented the annual activity report (meant to present before the NAAC Peer Team) of the college for the past five years, in which the following matters were presented with facts and figures.

### 1. Curricular Aspects

- 1.a Proposed two new specializations for MBA
- 1.b Women Empowerment.
- 1.c Green focus
- 1.d Skill development Programmes and Placement Training
- 1.e Value Added Programmes
- 1.f Student Achievements

### 2. Teaching-learning and Evaluation

- 2.a Student Profile
- 2.b Teacher Quality: Profile at glance

### 3. Research, Consultancy and Extension

- 3.a Faculty Involvement in Research work
- 3.b Major Projects
- 3.c Research Publications and Awards.
- 3.d Research, Consultancy & Extension - Analysis

S.J recommended availing benefits of various European Union Projects which are intended to promote international collaboration by the educational institutions.

\* Though the board raised a doubt on the sustainability of foreign language training for students, it is recommended to initiate it after identifying interested students. Rev. Dr. Ignacimuthu S.J. suggested taking benefits from online services on foreign language training and summer classes offered by well known institutions.

## 6. 'VANITA RETNA' - PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

\* The board appreciated MACFAST for winning 2000 Euro for the project called Vanita Retna to the Diversity Contest organized by the UNAI. Dr. N. Casimir Raj suggested initiating training on family and existential aspects.

\* The board suggested concentrating on women empowerment. Rev. Dr. Ignacimuthu S.J. mentioned about helping girl students to learn driving as it boost the confidence in them.

## 7. MCA Plus and Bioscience Plus

\* The board highly supported and recommenced implementing MCA and Bioscience Plus Certificates. Additionally, Rev. Dr. Ignacimuthu S.J. and Rev. Dr. N. Casimir Raj together suggested including strategic thinking skills, entrepreneurship skills and data analysis skills as parameters in the certificate. Along with this the Board also discussed and approved the syllabuses of various add-on courses.

## 12. Aquaponics Cultivation

\* Rev. Fr. Dr. Abraham Mulamootil briefed about the practical aspects of aquaponic cultivation.

\* Padmabhushan Dr. M. V. Pyle suggested inia initiating seminars to popularize the advantages associated with Aquaponic Cultivation.

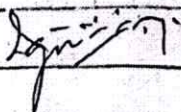
## 13. Other matters


\* Rev. Fr. Pradeep Vazhatharamalayil, Principal, MACFAST especially mentioned the efforts of Dr. N. Jayaraman and his team and expressed gratitude to the team for successfully completing the NAAC MOCK visit

\* The board mentioned about the publication of E. Rupee book and congratulated Rev. Fr. Dr. Abraham Mulamootil for initiating Aquaponic Cultivation.

\* Members of MACPRENEURS [Pratha Boutique, Glass DIT Solutions, WEBFORIO and Berhan Films] introduced themselves before the board and explained about their business. Pratha Boutique gifted their products to the Board members appreciated the efforts of all the MACPRENEURS and recommended to facilitate them with maximum exposure and publicity.

As there was no other matter, the meeting came to an end by 1:30 pm with vote of thanks to the chair by Ms. Suresh P. V.



  
Fr. Pradeep Vazhatharamalayil  
Member Secretary  
Principal, MACFAST

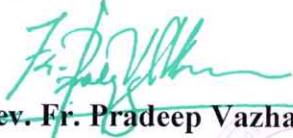
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Sub: - Regarding conducting of add-on programmes to the students

**Order No. 463/2016/A1 dated. 20<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

As per the decisions of the Governing Board and Academic Council at its meeting held on 14th June 2016, the Heads of Department should ensure that the add-on programmes are offered to the students with the approved syllabus from this academic year onwards.

Order are issued accordingly

  
**Rev. Fr. Pradeep Vazhatharamalayil**  
**Principal**



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