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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SNU-IQAC (Internal Quality Assurance Cell)

TUESDAY 26 APRIL 2022

ONLINE (MS TEAMS)

The following members were present.

1. Dr. Ananya Mukherjee (Vice-Chancellor; - Chairperson (IQAC)
2. Dr. Suneet Tuli (Dean Research & Partnerships; - Director/Coordinator)
3. Dr. Dinkar Prasad, Associate Director(Academics), SoE - Member
4. Dr. Karthik Krishnan (Assoc. Dean-Research) - Member
5. Dr. Kaushik Chaudhuri (SoME) - Member
6. Dr. Partha Chatterjee (SoHSS) - Member
7. Maj. Gen. (Retd.) G. Jaishankar, DSA - Member
(Represented by - Mr. Tarit Ray, Ms. Karthika and Dr. Amrish Tony)
8. Mr. Sudhir Naudiyal Registrar - Member
9. Dr. G Naveen Babu, Associate Professor, EEE -Member
10. Dr. Rakesh Ganguly, Senior Lead - Planning & Strategy - Member
11. Mr. Rajesh Dawar, Head IT - Member
12. Dr. Rajeev Singh - Associate Dean Academics (Representing Office of Dean Academics/erstwhile Dean-UG)
13. Vidur Kumar, President-Student Council - Member

Special Invitees

1. Dr. Bibek Banerjee- Dean SME, ACE, and Director Strategic Initiatives
2. Dr. Rajat Kathuria - Dean SHSS
3. Dr. Sandeep Sen - Dean SoE
4. Dr. Sanjeev Galande - Dean SoNS

The following members could not attend the meeting.

1. Dr. N. Sukumar (SoNS) - Member (Retired March 31, 2022)
2. Dr. Sambudha Sen (SoHSS) - Member
3. Dr. Amber Habib (SoNS & Dean-UG) - Member
4. Mr. Vivek Jain, Director, Cognizant - Member
5. Dr. Yamini Sudha Sistala (SoE) - Member
6. Dr. Manik Varma, Principal Researcher, Microsoft
7. Dr. Arvind Shatdal (SoME) - Member
8. Mr. Jitesh Agarwal, Alumnus - Member
9. Dr. T.R.B Sarma (Librarian) - Member

Item No. 1 Welcome address and information on the changes in the University Leadership

Dr. Suneet Tuli, Director IQAC, welcomed the new Chairperson of the IQAC Dr. Ananya Mukherjee who has recently taken over as the Vice-Chancellor of the University. He also welcomed all members of IQAC and the special invitees to the meeting.

The Chairperson, requested the Director IQAC to take up the agenda of the meeting.

Item No. 2 Ratification of the Minutes of the Meeting of IQAC

Registrar apprised the members about the meetings held during the pandemic years and recorded as follows:

- 12 October 2020 - Online meeting of the IQAC
- 22 December 2020 - Approval of AQAR 2019-20 by circulation
- 17 January 2022 - Approval of AQAR 2020-21 by circulation

Item No. 3 Quality initiatives undertaken by the University (2021-22)

The Director IQAC apprised the members of the IQAC regarding the quality initiatives undertaken during the Year 2021-22.

1. SNU Quo Vadis - Vision 2030
2. Changes in the Internal Governance Structure effective from August 2, 2021
3. University Wide and Inter-School Research Themes
4. Formulation of HR Policies (Faculty Leave Policy, Faculty Promotion Policy etc.)
5. PhD Regulations & Guidelines
6. Research grant policy updates
7. Research Facilities Committee
8. SNU Innovation & Entrepreneurship Policy
9. Office of Accreditation & Regulatory Affairs
10. Automation of processes

Suggestions on the policies and automation were put forth by the members and special invitees. Some of these are noted below:

- a) Capping of loan to 30% of the project budget was suggested by Dr. Sanjeev Galande, Dean SoNS on the Research grant policy updates
- b) At the time of separation from the University, a faculty needs to clear all pending dues including settling all projects/ consultancy undertaken during the tenure at SNU. A mechanism to ensure this needs to put in place by HR
- c) The Chairperson suggested that all ongoing projects should be reviewed periodically. Dean Research informed that this has been provisioned in the new policy.
- d) To create awareness regarding all policies and processes, the Chairperson suggested devising a suitable mechanism. The Registrar informed the members that he is working on a Mandatory disclosure and dissemination of relevant information to the SNU community.

Item No. 4 Reconstitution of the IQAC

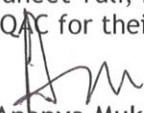
Director IQAC informed the members that according to the mandate of NAAC, the IQAC requires to be reconstituted after every two years. With the pandemic and the governance changes happening at the University, the reconstitution was put on hold. The Chairperson then directed that reconstitution of the IQAC be undertaken as per NAAC guidelines.

Item No. 5 Any other with the permission of the Chair

There were no further agenda items, the meeting was concluded with the Vote of Thanks.

Item No. 6 Vote of Thanks

Dr. Suneet Tuli, Director IQAC expressed his sincere gratitude to all the members of the IQAC for their participation towards the quality initiatives.


Dr. Ananya Mukherjee
Chairperson, IQAC