Shri Vishnu College of Pharmacy (Autonomous), Vishnupur, Bhimavaram – 534 202

Minutes of the BOS Meeting, Online using Google meet.

Date: 18 September 2024 (Wednesday)
Time: 10:00 AM
Venue: Shri Vishnu College of Pharmacy, (Autonomous), Bhimavaram

The following members were present:

01.	Chairperson	: Dr. M. Mohan Varma, Professor, SVCP
02.	Member, Faculty	: Dr. A. Srinivasa Rao
03.	Member Faculty	: Dr. S. Pavan Kumar
04.	Member, Faculty	: Dr. K T Sunil Kumar
05.	Member, Faculty	: Dr. N. Lakshmi Prashanthi
06.	Member, Faculty	: Dr. P Lavudu
07.	Member Faculty	: Dr. S.Anil Kumar
08.	Member Faculty	: Dr. M.S.R.Bapi Raju
09.	University Nominee	: Dr. M.Murali Krishna, AUCOPS,VSKP
10.	TWO Subject Experts from Education	: Dr. A. Prameela Rani, Principal, ANUCOPS Dr. Ch. Gopinath, Professor, JNTUA
11.	One Subject Expert from Industry	: Sri T.Rama Rao, Sai GMP Consultancy
12.	Alumni Members – nominated by Principal	: Mr.T.Mahesh, Manager, TCS Mr.K.Ramesh Naidu, Data Scientist, Capgemini
13.	Principal	: Dr. K.S.Nataraj
14.	Member Secretary	: Mr. A.Anand

Agenda

1. Review of academic performance and academic initiatives.
2. Review of academic calendars for B.Pharm, Pharm.D and M.Pharm programmes.
3. Discussion on implementation of Bloom's Taxonomy in question-paper setting.
4. Consideration of value-added courses and skill-development programmes.
5. Review of research activities, faculty development and student research.
6. Discussion on online courses, GPAT coaching and industry-oriented training.
7. Review of curriculum and syllabus-related proposals.
8. Any other academic matters with the permission of the Chair.

Minutes of Discussion

1. Review of Academic Performance

The Chairperson discussed the importance of improving the academic performance of students across B.Pharm, Pharm.D and M.Pharm programmes.

The members emphasized the need to identify slow learners, conduct remedial classes and provide additional academic support to students requiring improvement.

It was suggested that faculty members should monitor student performance through internal assessments and provide appropriate feedback.

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2. Academic Calendars

The academic calendars for B.Pharm, Pharm.D and M.Pharm programmes for the academic year 2024–25 were placed before the members for consideration.

The members discussed the schedules relating to commencement of classwork, internal examinations, closure of instructions, semester-end examinations and practical examinations.

The members recommended adherence to the approved academic calendars and timely completion of the prescribed syllabus.

3. Implementation of Bloom's Taxonomy

The members discussed the implementation of Bloom's Taxonomy in the preparation of internal and semester-end examination question papers.

It was emphasized that question papers should assess different cognitive levels, including Remembering, Understanding, Applying, Analyzing, Evaluating and Creating.

The members recommended that question-paper setters should ensure appropriate distribution of questions across the cognitive levels, in accordance with the prescribed examination pattern.

4. Value-Added Courses and Skill Development

The members discussed the importance of providing additional skill-development opportunities to students beyond the prescribed curriculum.

The following programmes were suggested for consideration:

- Python programming for pharmacy students.
- SAS programming and data-analysis-related courses.
- GPAT coaching for eligible B.Pharm students.
- British Council certification and communication-skills training.
- Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning awareness programmes.
- Industry-oriented training and workshops.

The members emphasized that such programmes should improve employability, communication skills and professional competency among students.

5. Research Activities and Faculty Development

The members discussed the need to encourage faculty members and students to participate in research activities.

It was suggested that faculty members should publish research work in reputed and indexed journals and promote interdisciplinary research.

The members also emphasized organizing guest lectures, seminars and workshops through alumni, industry experts and academic professionals.

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6. Online Courses and Academic Enrichment

The members discussed encouraging students and faculty members to participate in relevant online courses, including SWAYAM and NPTEL courses.

It was suggested that online courses should be selected based on their relevance to the curriculum and professional development.

The members recommended encouraging students to complete suitable courses and submit certificates for academic consideration, subject to applicable institutional regulations.

7. Curriculum and Syllabus-Related Proposals

The members discussed the need to review the existing curriculum and identify areas requiring academic enrichment.

The following proposals were considered:

- Incorporation of relevant industry-oriented topics.
- Revision of selected syllabus contents based on emerging developments in pharmaceutical sciences.
- Inclusion of relevant elective courses.
- Promotion of research-oriented and project-based learning.
- Encouragement of community-oriented Practice School projects.
- Consideration of appropriate supplementary examinations for improvement of internal marks, subject to institutional regulations.

The members recommended that any curriculum or syllabus modifications should be processed through the prescribed academic approval procedure.

8. Student Research and Practice School

The members emphasized promoting research and community-oriented projects among students.

It was suggested that students should be encouraged to undertake projects addressing practical healthcare and pharmaceutical problems.

The members recommended considering research presentations, posters and publications related to student projects as part of academic enrichment, subject to the approved evaluation regulations.

Resolutions / Recommendations

After detailed discussion, the following resolutions were proposed:

1. Resolved to recommend implementation of academic initiatives to improve student performance, including remedial classes and continuous academic monitoring.
2. Resolved to recommend adherence to the approved academic calendars for B.Pharm, Pharm.D and M.Pharm programmes.

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3. Resolved to recommend implementation of Bloom's Taxonomy-based question-paper preparation in accordance with the approved examination pattern.
4. Resolved to recommend organization of value-added courses and skill-development programmes, including Python programming, SAS programming, GPAT coaching and communication-skills training.
5. Resolved to recommend encouraging students and faculty members to participate in relevant SWAYAM, NPTEL and other online courses.
6. Resolved to recommend promoting faculty research, interdisciplinary research, publications in reputed journals and student research activities.
7. Resolved to recommend organizing guest lectures, seminars, workshops and industry-oriented training programmes.
8. Resolved to recommend reviewing curriculum and syllabus-related proposals and forwarding them to the appropriate academic bodies for approval.
9. Resolved to recommend promoting community-oriented Practice School projects and research dissemination activities among students.
10. Resolved that all proposals requiring approval of the Academic Council or other competent authorities shall be forwarded for necessary approval before implementation.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chairperson and all members.

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