

RESOLUTION

The Board of Studies in Zoology of Sophia College (Autonomous) passed the following resolution in the online meeting held on 26th March, 2021

1. The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd October, 2020 have been approved.
2. The syllabus of FYBSc – Semester II and SYBSc – Semester IV will be continued for the second term of A.Y. 2021-22 with no changes.
3. The teaching plan for Semester II and IV has been approved.
4. The pattern of Internal Assessment has been approved.
5. The panel of paper setters and examiners – Theory and Practicals has been approved.
6. The present BoS term is over and hence the new BoS will be reconstituted and communication to that effect will be sent to all the members.

Members present:

1. Dr. Roshan D'Souza – Chairperson, BoS
2. Ms. Sandhya Kadiru - Senior Faculty Member
3. Dr. Vaishali Somani – Vice-chancellor's Nominee
4. Prof. Dr. B. B. Nath - Subject Expert 1- (Non-parent University)
5. Prof. Peeyush Pahade - Subject Expert 2- (Non-parent University)
6. Dr. Aldon Fernandes - Representative from industry
7. Ms. Nazia Chaudhary - The Postgraduate Meritorious Alumnus
8. Dr. Smita Krishnan - Subject Expert 1 (other faculty member)



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Minutes of Zoology BoS Meeting held on 26th March, 2021

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1. The meeting was chaired by Dr. Roshan D'Souza, Head of Zoology and Chairperson of BoS. The Members present were Dr. Vaishali Somani, Dr. B. B. Nath, Prof. Peeyush Pahade, Dr. Smita Krishnan, Dr. Aldon Fernandes and Ms. Nazia Choudhary and Ms. Sandhya Kadiru.
2. The agenda for the meeting was as follows:
 - i. Welcome note by the Chairperson of BoS
 - ii. Approving the finalized minutes of the meeting held on 03-10-2020
 - iii. Overview of FYBSc Syllabus
 - iv. Overview of SYBSc Syllabus
 - v. Overview of Ph. D. Course Work Syllabus
 - vi. FYBSc & SYBSc - New examination scheme
 - vii. FYBSc & SYBSc Internal Assessment plan and approval of the same
 - viii. Approval of Panel of paper setters and examiners for FY and SYBSc theory and practical examinations
 - ix. Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.
3. Dr. Roshan D'Souza welcomed all the members and formally welcomed and introduced Dr. Vaishali Somani, the newly inducted Vice-chancellor's Nominee of this BoS.
4. The minutes of the meeting of the last meeting held on 3rd October, 2020 were discussed. All the members agreed to the discussion of the minutes. She also informed about the resolutions passed during that meeting. She also added that a formal letter of appreciation and thanks was sent to Dr. Akbar Dalvi for his valuable contribution of our BoS and whose term as our BoS member is over on account of his retirement.
5. Shri. Peeyush Pahade proposed and Dr. B. Nath seconded the minutes and thus the members unanimously passed the resolution to approve the minutes of the said meeting.
6. Dr. Roshan D'Souza informed that there has been no change in the syllabi of FY and SY except for the specification added regarding the online 50-50 pattern of examination which would continue also in the academic year of 2021-22, as of now.
7. Shri. Peeyush Pahade enquired if there was any feedback taken about the present syllabus. Dr. B. Nath and Dr. Smita Krishnan suggested that constructive feedback could be devised for students as well as teacher from other autonomous colleges and then based on this revision of the syllabus, if required could be done accordingly.
8. There was a very productive discussion about the experience of feedback given by Dr. B. Nath which led to the idea of starting of short-term courses by the department. It was also pointed

out by Shri. Peeyush Pahade that these could also cater to CBCS in future, which is also recommended by UGC.

9. Dr. Roshan D'Souza informed that Ph. D. Course work has been passed through the Academic Council.
10. Dr. D'Souza explained the new modality conducting the Internal Assessment (IA) which would be now of selecting two best scores of 25 marks each, out of the three or four IA activities conducted.
11. The plan of IA was projected and the inclusion of written assignments/tests were appreciated. Dr. Aldon Fernandes gave suggestions about the assignments and presentation regarding National parks and sanctuaries wherein the information regarding the conservation activities could be focused. Ms. Sandhya Kadiru responded positively to this suggestion.
12. The plan of IA was thus approved.
13. There were suggestions with respect to virtual tour/field trips that could be planned and the resource persons were suggested by the members. The department members assured that this would be definitely planned so that students can write the field report based on such activity.
14. Approving the panel of the paper setters and examiners for theory as well as practical examination was proposed by Dr. B. Nath and seconded by Ms. Nazia Chaudhary.
15. Dr. Roshan D'Souza informed that the current BoS has now finished its three-year tenure and hence it will be reconstituted, and will into effect from the academic year 2021-22. She mentioned that a letter to that effect will be sent to all the members.
16. The meeting ended with Dr. Roshan D'Souza thanking all the members and was joined by Ms. Sandhya Kadiru for the same.



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