

KAMALA NEHRU COLLEGE
(University of Delhi)

Minutes of the Governing Body meeting held on 04.11.2022
at 3.30 pm in the Committee Room of the College

Members present:

1. Mr. Jaideep Ahuja (Chairperson)
2. Mr. Anwar Shahid (Treasurer)
3. Prof. Anupam Jha, UR
4. Dr. Indu Prakash Singh
5. Mr. Raghvinder Singh
6. Mr. Chinmay Kanojia
7. Mr. Karan Singh Pundir
8. Mr. Dinesh Gupta
9. Prof. Madhu Khanna (Teacher Representative, Senior)
10. Dr. Bratati Barik (Teacher Representative, Junior)
11. Prof. Kalpana Bhakuni (Member Secretary/ Principal Officiating)

Members regretted:

1. Prof. Urvashi Sharma, UR
2. Dr. Renuka Aggarwal
3. Mr. Ankur Tripathi

Member absent:

1. Ms. Anjali Thakur

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

1. The Governing Body expressed heartfelt condolences on the sad demise of the Ex-Chairperson, Governing Body, KNC, Ms Suman Chauhan (2020-21) and the former principal Dr. Minoti Chatterjee (2004-2015). The Governing Body observed a moment of silence in the remembrance and honor of the departed souls. The Chairperson particularly remembered immense contribution by Ms. Suman Chauhan as the ex-Chairperson of Governing Body, KNC and also acknowledged the significant role of Dr. Minoti Chatterjee in the growth of college.



2. The newly elected Teacher Representatives, Prof. Madhu Khanna (Senior Category) and Dr. Bratati Barik (Junior Category) were welcomed in the GB for the sanctioned period as per procedure.
3. The minutes of the Governing Body held on 14.05.2022 were approved.
4. The report on action taken on the minutes of the Governing Body meeting held on 14.05.2022 were approved with the observation by the Chairperson to expedite the action in reference to Agenda item no. 14 regarding return of unspent balance of Grant-in-aid to UGC after finalizing the audited accounts. In the same connection, the Chairperson also requested the treasurer, Mr. Anwar Shahid and Mr. Raghvinder Singh to approach the Delhi Govt. to release the 5% contribution to the college pending over many years in order to account for the unspent balance to be returned to UGC.
5. The Governing Body noted the directive issued by the University vide letter no. CB.I/Misc./2022/4466 dated 12.08.2022 in regard to put the minutes of Governing Body on view on the college website going forward. The GB fully endorsed the spirit of transparency and accountability in this regard.
6. The GB approved the appointment of M/s Kothari & Co. as the internal auditor of the college for the FY 2021-22.
7. The GB noted the resignation of Sr. Technical Assistant, Mr. Manpreet Singh and relieving him from services w.e.f. 19.09.2022 as per procedure. The vacant post cannot be filled at present due to the restriction by DU (vide letter CB.II/ Apptt. Principal/2022/073 dated 18/5/2022). This ensued the discussion on the matter of appointment of regular principal in the college.

The GB expressed its serious concern at the delay in the matter which is causing hindrance in the appointments of teaching as well as non-teaching positions. The Chairperson apprised the members about the timely completion of the screening of applications and publishing the list of eligible candidates, as per procedure. The panel of selection committee is awaited from DU to carry the matter further. The members decided to pursue the matter with DU authorities through a relay representation.
8. The GB noted the extension of appointment of Prof. Kalpana Bhakuni as Officiating Principal-

(i) GB noted extension till 13/08/2022 vide letter no. CS-SDC/114/Prin-KNC/2022/470 and further, extension till 12/11/2022 vide letter no. CS-SDC/114/Prin-KNC/2022/813.

(ii) GB accorded permission for extension of the services of Prof. Kalpana Bhakuni as Officiating Principal for further period of three months from 12/11/2022 or till a regular principal is appointed, whichever is earlier.

9. GB accorded permission for extension of accommodation at Principal's Residence to Officiating Principal, Prof. Kalpana Bhakuni w.e.f 18/12/2022 for one year or till the regular principal is appointed whichever is earlier, as per rules of University of Delhi for the smooth functioning of the college.

10. GB accorded permission to record the 'Progress Report' submitted by the following teaching faculty of the College as part of their Ph D Study Leave requirement :

- (i) Ms. AnubhaYadav, Assistant Professor, Journalism Dept.
- (ii) Ms. Tanusree Dash, Associate Professor Economics Dept.
- (iii) Mr. Amit Kumar Soni, Assistant Professor, English Dept.
- (iv) Ms. Sanam Khanna, Associate Professor, English Dept.

11. GB accorded the permission, ex-post facto and prospectively, for the extension of study leave for pursuing PhD for the following members :

S. No.	Name, Designation & Department	Period of study leave already granted	Remarks
1	Ms. Tanusree Dash Associate Professor Economics Dept.	19.08.2021 to 18.08.2022	Approval for extension of study leave for one year w.e.f. 19.08.2022
2	Mr. Amit Kumar Soni, Assistant Professor English Dept.	06.10.2021 to 05.10.2022	Approval for extension of study leave for one year w.e.f. 06.10.2022
3	Ms. Sanam Khanna, Associate Professor, English Dept.	06.10.2020 to 05.10.2021 06.10.2021 to 05.10.2022	Approval for extension of study leave for one year w.e.f. 06.10.2022

12. GB deliberated upon the matter of nominating the Advocate from the panel of University of Delhi in order to address the College legal cases after the demise of College advocate Late Ms. Suman Chauhan (Panel no.193) appointed this year.

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After discussion the GB nominated the following advocates -

I- Ms Surbhi Mehta (Panel no.196)

II- Ms Akanksha Kaul (Panel no.1)

The college is directed to pursue the matter further.

13. GB perused the application submitted by Dr. Carmel Christy, Assistant Professor, Journalism Dept. for Extraordinary Leave without pay for two years (2022-24) to take up an academic position as Postdoctoral Research Associate at the Human Rights Institute, University of Connecticut w.e.f 07.11.2022 to 06.11.2024.

GB supported the prospects of such academic opportunities for the professional growth of the faculty but after a long discussion on the factors of Dr. Carmel Christy's total leave availed in her service period, particulars of past record of leave, references of her leave in earlier GB meetings, Journalism department's current faculty strength, the prevailing situation of all the semesters running in two academic calendars simultaneously without any break in teaching, the 10% cap of leave in the institution for the current and potential faculty members at any given point of time, the current restriction by DU (vide letter CB.II/ Apptt. Principal/2022/073 dated 18/5/2022) on appointment of Ad hoc faculty (as the substitute of full time regular member) by the Acting/Officiating Principals in office, the majority of the house opined that if the teaching as prime duty is being compromised by relieving Dr. Carmel Christy at this juncture then the leave may be granted when the situation permits.

14. GB accorded permission on the date of eligibility as 04/02/2016 for the post of Associate Professor of Dr. Mamta Bhushan, Associate Professor, Dept. of Commerce, as verified by the Screening Committee and IQAC of the college.
15. GB accorded permission on the probation clearance of Ms. Sarita Pal as Senior Assistant on completion of one year of service in the post.
16. GB approved the appointment of the Assistant Professors on ad-hoc basis for the academic year 2022-23 as per norms.
17. GB approved the minutes of College Building and Purchase Committee meetings held on 12.04.2022 and 22.07.2022.
18. GB approved the minutes of GB Building & Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 15.07.2022.
19. GB approved the application (as per the advice of the GB in its meeting held on 14.05.2022) for reimbursement of expense for getting the emergent work done for safety of the incumbent at the official residence of Principal, which is a part of

College infrastructure. The GB observed that the reimbursement may be done on the basis of actual expense or the estimated cost by CPWD, whichever is lower.

20. GB approved the minutes of College Finance Committee meetings held on 30.09.2022 and 30.05.2022.
21. The principal/ member secretary apprised the GB about the outcome of the NAAC Peer Team visit for Cycle 2 of accreditation as 3.17 CGPA (Grade A). The college has filed an Appeal to NAAC, as per provision, for a revisit by Peer Team for the qualitative assessment on the grounds that the Peer Team clearly deviated from the prescribed procedure of NAAC during the visit to college on 13th and 14th September, 2022 and the college was not given a fair chance to be assessed on the visit as per the guidelines of NAAC.
The GB fully endorsed the move of making an Appeal by the college and hoped for the fair response from NAAC.

SUPPLEMENTARY MINUTES

22. GB noted the unavailability report of 8 seater vehicle for the college in GeM and further approved purchase of the same from open market/Central Procurement Portal (CPP) through tender/quotation invitation, as per procedure.
23. GB noted the appointment of General Practitioner on visiting basis as per given schedule-

Dr. Neelam Singh w.e.f. 20.07.2022

24. GB noted the appointment of college counselor on visiting basis as per given schedule-

Ms. Anandeshwari Singh w.e.f. 29.07.2022

The meeting ended with thanks to Chair.

Prof. Kalpana Bhakuni

Member Secretary/ Principal (Offg)

Mr. Jaideep Ahuja

Governing Body, Chairperson

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