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Examination Reforms Committee Proceedings

The meeting of the Examination Reforms Committee of the College was held on 18-03-2021 in the College Conference Room at 3.00pm.

- The meeting started with a silent prayer led by the COE, Dr Alwyn DSa.
- The COE thanked all the staff members who were involved in the smooth conduct of the examination work.

1. Answer booklets:

- Majority of the staff felt that the pages in the answer booklets for the end semester should be reduced.
- Mr. Santosh B from AlMIT told that for Mathematics papers students uses 30+
 pages, but in Programming the students use less than 50% of the present
 booklet. He also mentioned that under VTU students are required to write the
 answers in the space provided in the booklet. Dr. Beena Dias added to it saying
 the Management students also do not write beyond 30 pages
- Dr. Vishanz Pinto mentioned that BA students are required to write only for 16
 pages as mentioned in the question paper.
- Mr. Harsha Paul too said that their students write for only 32 pages.
- Ms. Vanaja told that at least 20% of BCA students write in 42 pages

Other suggestions:

- Since the number of pages depends on the subject the student writes, it was suggested to have 2 different sets of answer booklets with different number of pages.
- COE also mentioned that proper instructions should be given in the question paper as regards the number of pages to be written by the student.
- COE suggested that instead of selling the answer booklets for scrap, we can
 identify any firm who would be willing to recycle the same and give back the
 recycled papers.

Dr Vidya D'Souza was told to find the required details.

Decision:

It was decided that from next academic year onwards there would be 2 sets of answer booklets i.e. 36 and 32 pages with a provision for additional booklet of 4 pages.

2. Internal examination modalities:

Suggestions: MBA

A. Internal Component: 30 Marks

- Internal Examinations: One mid-semester examination (after the completion of 50% to 60 % of the syllabus) conducted for 50 marks of 2 hours duration later reduced to 15 marks.
- 2. Assignment: One application based assignment 5 Marks
- 3. Project Work: One mini project 5 Marks
- 4. Online Course/Presentation: 5 Marks

Note: It is suggested not to award any marks for attendance [3 marks for Participation currently provided] at the PG level.

B. External examination: 70 Marks

As per the Question Paper Pattern passed at the BOS and approved by the Academic Council

Section A:

Answer any 4 out of 6 questions: 4 * 15 = 60

Note: Each question will comprise a block of questions from each respective unit in compliance with Bloom's taxonomy.

Section B: Case Study: 10 Marks

Other suggestions:

Dr. Manuel Tauro said that the students find it difficult to write 2 subjects per day
for internal examinations. Hence instead of having 2 internals, we need to reduce
it to 1 internal with 60% of the portion and conducting one exam per day. Instead
of having exams for 4 days twice in a semester, we can have once in a semester
for 8 days.

- Dr. Santosh Goveas opined that this will give the students a better chance of scoring. However apart from this there should be continuous assessment from the departments after every unit, the report of which should be submitted to the Registrar office.
- Conduct one Midterm Examination with 60% portion for 80 marks and conduct continuous assessment after every unit at the department level for 20 marks, the report of which needs to be submitted to the Registrar office.

Decision:

It was unanimously decided to make a list of all the suggestions on the Internal Examination Reforms and submit the same to the Principal/Management for further course of action.

General Suggestions:

- Examination Timings: Dr Santosh Goveas opined that timings for exam be changed. i.e. 9.30 to 12.30 pm in forenoon and 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm in the afternoon.
- Allotment of duties: Ms. Premlatha requested that staff of big departments should be allotted the invigilation duties at the beginning so that they can finish the valuation on time.
- Foundation course examinations: She also said that there should be a break between language papers and Foundation course papers as the staff valuing these papers are only minimum.
- Schedule of examination: Dr. Nilkantan felt that if UG and PG examinations are conducted together, there would be shortage of class rooms. For which COE suggested to have exams on alternate days when only morning exams are conducted.
- Printing Question papers: Dr Santosh Goveas suggested to conduct PG exams
 after 1 week of stating UG exams so that printing work will be done smoothly.
 Harsha Paul suggested to have separate printing machines in the Registrar office
 for Question paper printing.

- Continuous Internal Assessment: COE said that each teacher is responsible for their respective batch. Ms. Vanaja opined that there should be accountability of the 20 marks CIA
- Internal exam question papers: Dr Vidya requested to reduce the size of the question paper. It was suggested to print 2 question papers in the same paper.
- Internal Component: Dr Nilkantan felt that the internal and external component should be 60 and 40 and thus give Assignment, seminars and surprise tests as a part of continuous assessment. Dr. Manuel also added that 20 and 80 is too less for CIA. Mr. Harsha Paul suggested to reduce 100 marks paper to 80 marks and 10 marks paper to 120 marks.
 - Internal marks file: Dr. Manuel Tauro requested to separate the General batch marks sheets and professional batch marks sheets. And further separate the files among 6 batches.
 - Entry of internal marks: It was observed by majority of staff that the office staff
 take a lot of time to enter the marks and send the marks card. The COE suggested
 to enter the marks in the new software by the respective subject teachers. Any
 mistakes could be rectified by keeping a provision for correction.

The meeting ended with a Thank you note by the COE.

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