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Member Secretary, Dr. Shinto K.G presented the minutes of the last Academic Council. Chairman of the Academic Council, Dr. Fr. Jolly Andrews discussed the actions taken and the members of the Academic Council confirmed the minutes of the meeting.

AGENDA: -

- 1. General evaluation of Academic Progress
- 2. Constitution of new Board of Studies of all departments
- 3. New programmes from Academic year 2024-25
- 4. New value-added certificate courses
- 5. Syllabus revisions
- 6. Any relevant matter permitted by the chair

After detailed discussions, following decisions were taken against each agenda

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General evaluation of Academic Progress	The Principal in Charge informed the members about the initiatives taken and progress made by the college after the last meeting. The initiatives taken for research, academics, arts and sports and infrastructure were briefed. The awards and achievements by the college, faculty and students are also included in his presentation. The highlights are
	Department of Mathematics elevated to the status of a research department by University of Calicut.
	• The college became overall sports champions of the University of Calicut for 2022-23 also.
	D-Zone champions and third position in interzone arts fest
	Conducted AAA audit internally.
	Organized strategic planning workshop, OBE workshops and one-week national level FDP on research ethics.
	Established Christ College Research Forum the multi-disciplinary research development
	• The college got SEEM National Energy Award in educational institution category, Dr. K J Varghese got World Class Excellence Award, Dr V T Joy and his research team selected to Young Innovators Programme and Dr. Vinitha E got Bharath Ratna Mother Teresa Gold Medal Award.
	• The overall pass percentage of the college for the academic year 2022-23 is 88.5 and more than 350 students got campus placement.
Constitution of new Board of Studies	Each Board of Studies were reconstituted with the newly nominated members. Academic Council approved the panel of two subject experts for each BOS from outside the parent university. Academic council suggested to include industry representatives to BOS which will increase the industry-academia linkages.
	Academic council proposed to Governing Council to start following new
	programme from the academic year 2024-25.
	1. MSW
	2. BCA
	3. B Com Logistics Management
	4. B Com Computer Applications
New programmes for the	5. B Com Finance
Academic year 2024-25	6. Double Main in Mathematics and Computer Science

	7. MPES
	8. BBA
	9. Integrated M.Lib.I.Sc.
New value-added certificate courses	• Dean of Academic Affairs Dr. Robinson P presented the list of value- added certificate courses offered by various departments. Principal suggested that there should me more certificate courses to cater the industry readiness of students.
	Academic council suggested to sign more MOUs with renowned industries or firms so as to encourage the placement opportunities of the students
	University Nominee Prof Jos T Puthur suggested to avoid the involvement of external agencies in conducting value added certificate courses. Dr. Robinson explained the steps taken to avoid such value-added courses.
Syllabus revisions	 IQAC coordinator Dr. Shinto K G presented the following syllabus modification requests from various Board of Studies The BOS of Mathematics department requested to transform the additional batch of BSc Mathematics offering in unaided stream to Double Main programme in Mathematics and Computer Science The BOS of Computer Science approved to include a practical oriented module to the core paper Python Programming of BCA and BSc Computer Science. The board also requested the name change of BVoc IT to BVoc IOT and Data Science. The BOS of Library and Information Science requested to transform B.LibISci to two year Integrated M.Lib.I.Sci programme. The BOS of Sanskrit department forwarded a syllabus change suggestion in the grammatical distribution of the Sanskrit common paper for UG programmes. Academic Council approved all these suggestions.
Any other relevant matter	 Academic Council suggested to organize programs to understand the challenges and opportunities of the new education policy NEP 2020, especially the steps required to take for the introduction of 4 year NEP based UG programmes Dr. Vincent Mathew suggested the departments which are offering only PG programmes should design and start 4 year UG programmes, so that

workload may not be affected.

- 3. University Nominee Prof. Mujeeb Rehman suggested to take the important aspects of NEP 2020 by understanding the regional situation.
- 4. Industry Nominee Sachin Menon suggested to consult with industries during the syllabus framework.
- 5. Academic council suggested to the departments to organize programs to attract students to the college.
- 6. Principal Dr. Fr.. Jolly Andrews mentioned that an exhibition for school students has been arranged for the month of January 2024 and also a summer school programme in April 2024.

The meeting ended at 4.15 PM with the vote of thanks by Dr. Xavier Joseph, Vice Principal of the college. He thanked all the Members for sparing their valuable time to attend the meeting and for the creative suggestions for the progressive growth of the college.

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	Dr. Sudhikumar A V received Young Scientist Award instituted by Animal Biology and Conservation
	• 2023 course completed students Convocation conducted on 4 th November 2023
	• The research team from Department of Geology and Environmental Science discovered a new species of dragonfly. The research team from the department of Zoology discovered a species of spider. Two new species of antlion also discovered by the research team of the department of Zoology
	• Department of Mathematics organized an international conference on Graph Theory on 8 th to 10 th February 2024.
	Departments of Psychology, Economics Unaided and Commerce organized national level seminars/workshops during the period.
	Scholar Connect, the research forum of Christ College organized multi- disciplinary workshop and research expo during the period.
	Talent exhibition for differently abled, Savishkara season 7 conducted during 16 th to 18 th November 2023.
	Organized ASPIRE, mega job fair on 27 th October 2023.
	Prof. Dr. R. Bindu, Minister, Government of Kerala inaugurated ABHAYAM project on 9 th February 2024 (A project to provide financial support for renovation houses by Thavanish)
	• In association with General Education Department, Government of Kerala, Sasthrasametham program organized on 12 th January 2024
	Annual alumni get-together and department level alumni meet conducted on 9 th march 2024.
	• Faculty members, K O Francis, Mahboob Alam, Sibin Sebastian and research scholars Priya Rajan, Asha A V completed Ph. D during the

period. • Conducted second phase AAA audit of the academic year during the months of February and March 2024. Various clubs and departments of the college celebrated special days like; Republic Day, Childrens Day, ED Day, Constitution Day, Human Rights Day, National Science Day etc. during the period. • For the academic year more than 150 students got offer letters through placement cell of the college. Dean of Academic Affairs, Dr. Robinson P explained the details of the AI integrated Pearson English language level identification and training program of the college introduced for the students registered in placement cell and all first year UG students. Principal informed the Academic council that the college forwarded the application to the University of Calicut to start following new programme from the academic year 2024-25. Plans for the Academic 1. MSW year 2024-25 2. BCA 3. Double Main in Mathematics and Computer Science 4. MPES 5. BBA Academic Council suggested each board of studies to design new industryoriented courses and programmes to improve placement opportunities. Expert from industry, Sachin Menon suggested to design syllabus in consultation with recruiting agencies to improve campus placements. He also suggested to start industry seeking programmes like Forensic Science. Principal Dr. Fr. Jolly Andrews explained the steps taken by the college for the implementation of FYUGP from 2024 admission. FYUGP from Academic Year 2024-25 • Dr. K. J Varghese, Dean of International Relations is appointed as the college level nodal officer of FYUGP A one-day workshop is organized on 22nd November 2023 to discuss the curriculum framework of FYUGP. • Discussed about the strategies in IQAC meeting, HOD and Coordinator meetings and College Council meetings. The college is planning to offer double major programmes. Initial level discussions completed within aided departments. The college forwarded a request to the university to seek permission to utilize the courses offered by the unaided departments for aided

students and vice versa.

• Each board of studies of the college appointed committees for the formulation of curriculum and syllabus of FYUGP. The college is waiting for the draft of University of Calicut curriculum and syllabus for the finalization in consultation with the university.

University nominee Prof. Dr. Jos T Puthur mentioned that the college is proceeding in the right path for the implementation of FYUGP. He suggested the board of studies to formulate the strategies for all possible pathways.

The Academic Council suggested the departments only offering PG programmes to consider the possibility to offer double major programmes and new minors for the students of other departments. Academic Council also suggest the various board of studies to introduce new minors by adding recently developed attractive concepts and take steps to attain permission from university board of studies.

Academic Council decided to approve the FYUGP committee appointed by the college and also suggested to forward the double major proposals from various departments to the Governing Council for the approval.

Multi-disciplinary Research Initiatives

Dean of Research Dr. Linto Alappat briefly explained the activities of Scholar Connect Program (Researcher's Forum of Christ College)

- Conducted a multi-disciplinary conference and research expo on 14th and 15th February 2024
- Every month one research scholar from any of the research department present their research work in the forum from October 2023.
- Planning to organize a workshop for proposal preparation for funded research projects

Principal Dr. Fr. Jolly Andrews explained the necessity of research promotion initiatives.

- By utilizing the provision provided by the University of Calicut for the establishment of research centers in unaided departments, the department of Social Work submitted the research center proposal to the University of Calicut
- Planning to establish Sangamagrama Madhava Chair to promote multidisciplinary research on Indian Knowledge System

Academic Council suggested all eligible departments, both from aided and

unaided sections to forward the application to the university for the approval of research center.

Academic Council decided to forward the proposal for the establishment of the Chair on Indian Knowledge System to the Governing Council.

Any other relevant matter

Examination Related:

Controller of Examinations Dr. Sudheer Sebastian mentioned that it is scheduled to complete all examinations of academic year 2023-24 as per the academic calendar. The college implemented digital valuation for all UG and PG programmes.

Academic Council suggested to utilize the summer vacation for internship or mini projects in collaboration with industry or reputed academic institutions

New Board of Studies:

IQAC Coordinator presented the proposal from the department of Management Studies for the establishment of new board of studies in Management Studies.

Academic Council decided to forward the request to the Governing Council and suggested to forward a request to University of Calicut for the university nominee to the new board of studies.

Infrastructure Augmentation:

College Bursar Dr. Fr. Vincent N S explained the infrastructure augmentation of the college.

Academic Council appreciated the college's efforts in the infrastructure augmentation and suggested to utilize the facilities available in Snehabhavan block for multi-disciplinary research and for the development of incubation center.

Consultancy in Digital Wing:

Principal informed the meeting that SH College Chalakudy, Carmel College Mala and Sahrudaya College Kodakara are utilizing the digital facilities developed by the digital wing of the college. He also mentioned the online certificate facility available for the students to download certain certificates issued from principal's office.

Academic Council appreciate the digital wings initiatives for identifying consultancy from digital facilities and suggested to extend the consultancy initiative to more possible areas.

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