MEENAKSHI ACADEMY OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

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Minutes of the Meeting of the 32nd Academic Council held on 20.04.2017

The Thirty second Academic Council meeting of Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education and Research was held at 11 a.m on 20th April 2017 in the boardroom. The following members attended the meeting.

S.No	NAME	DESIGNATION	ROLE
1.	Dr.Geetha Prakash	Vice Chancellor, MAHER	Chairman
2.	Dr. S. Rajasekaran	Dean, MMCH & RI	Member
3.	Dr.R.S.Neelakandan	Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College	Member
4.	Prof.Fabiola M. Dhanaraj	Principal, Faculty of Arulmigu Meenakshi College of Nursing	Member
5.	Thiru.R.S.Gangadharan	Principal, Faculty of Physiotherapy	Member
6.	Dr.P.Jayamathi	Principal i/c, Faculty of Allied Health Sciences	Member
7.	Mr. Ranjith	Principal i/c, Faculty of Humanities and Sciences	Member
8.	Dr.M.Chandrasekar	Prof & HOD,Dept of Physiology, MMCH & RI, Kanchipuram	Member
9.	Dr.S.Natarajan	Prof. of Medicine, MMCH & RI, Kanchipuram	Member
10.	Dr.M.Ganesan	Prof. of Surgery, MMCH & RI, Kanchipuram	Member
11.	Dr.V.Chiranjeevi	Prof. of Nephrology, MMCH & RI, Kanchipuram	Member
12.	Dr.H.Annapoorani	Prof of Prosthodontics, MADC, Maduravoyal	Member

13.	Dr.B.G.Harsha Vardhan	Prof. of Oral Medicine, MADC, Maduravoyal	Member
14.	Dr.M.K.Srinivasan	Professor in ENT, MMCH & Rl, Kanchipuram	Member
15.	Dr.P.S.Saravanan	Prof. of Surgery, MMCH & RI, Kanchipuram	Member
16.	Dr.R.Radhakrishnan	Prof. of Urology, MMCH & Rl, Kanchipuram	Member
17.	Dr.Jaideep Mahendra	Prof. of Periodontics, MADC, Maduravoyal	Member
18.	Dr.Manikandan.R	Prof. of Oral Surgery, MADC, Maduravoyal	Member
19.	Dr.Krithika Dutta	Reader in Conservative Dentistry, MADC, Maduravoyal	Member
20.	Dr.K.Muthu Babu	Asst. Prof. of ENT, MMCH & RI, Kanchipuram	Member
21.	Prof. K.S.Nagarajan	Former Principal, IHMCI, Taramani	External Member
22.	Dr. Usha Kothandaraman	Former Professor of Anatomy, MMCH & RI, Kanchipuram	External Member
23.	Dr. Sivaraman	Former Professor of Urology, MMCH & RI, Kancheepuram	External Member
24.	Dr.J.Arunakaran	Director of Research	Member
25.	Prof. Anitha Varma	Controller of Examination i/c	Member
26.	Thiru. A.N.Santhanam	Registrar	Member Secretary

The Member Secretary informed the chair that the quorum was complete and the meeting could start. The Vice Chancellor welcomed all the members to the meeting and called upon the Member Secretary to assume the charge and take forward the proceedings. The Member Secretary read out the Agendas one by one for discussion and approval.

Agenda 1: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for DM Cardiology held on 14.3.2017

Dr Rajashekhar, Dean, MMCHRI, Kanchipuram presented a proposal to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies meeting held on 14.3.2017. He elaborated on the salient points of the meeting which were as follows:

- 1. To continue regulations 2011 and syllabus for DM programs, as per MCI norms
- 2. To modify and maintain the logbook in a specific format

It was resolved to approve minutes of the Board of Studies for DM Programs held on 14.3.2017

Agenda 2: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MBBS held on 14.03.2017

Dr Dhanapal, Dean, MMCHRI, Kanchipuram presented a proposal to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies meeting held on 14.03.2017. The Dean read out resolutions of the Board of studies meeting and sought the approval of the members regarding implementation of the same:

- 1. To Review Program & Course outcome for MBBS program and to identify slow & advanced learners and to assign mentors to guide to get best possible outcome
- 2. To continue the syllabus, academic calendar & schedule for MBBS program without change as per university & Governing Body regulations
- 3. To introduce the following skill development programs beyond the curriculum for the MBBS students under regulations 2009:
- Awareness programs like Hand washing, Personal hygiene, Ban on plastics, Nutrition organized by Department of Community Medicine.
- World Thalassemia day organized by the Department of Pathology.
- Celebrate Sun "World Vitamin D Day" organized by the Department of Biochemistry.
- Integrated CME on Obesity organized by Department of General
- Medicine in association with Dept of pathology
- Observation of health days FIT India Run organized by the Department of Community Medicine.
- Quiz on world health day. Theme: IAPSM
- 4. To conduct Value Added Course for curricular enrichment of the MBBS students under regulations 2009
- 5. To encourage the participation of students in ICMR-STS projects during their MBBS program for the succeeding academic year

- 6. To consider field visits having relevance to the local/national/regional/global developmental needs with learning objectives including program specific outcomes be approved.
- 7. To consider the Feedback Action taken report for the academic year 2016-2017

It was resolved to approve minutes of the Board of Studies for held on14.03.2017

Agenda 3: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MD TB and Chest diseases held on 01.03.2017

The Dean, MMCHRI presented a gist of the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD TB AND Chest diseases held on 01.03.2017, the details of which are as follows:

- 1. To consider field visits ,outreach camps in order to increase patients service to achieve program specific outcomes
- 2. To consider guest lectures by communications skills expert for the betterment of post graduate students
- 3. To consider the Feedback Action taken report analyzed for the academic year 2016-17

It was resolved to approve the board of studies on MD TB AND Chest diseases held on 01.03.2017

Agenda 4: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies on MD Anaesthesiology held on 27.02.2017

The member secretary presented the proposal to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Anaesthesiology held on 27.02.2017. The Dean, MMCHRI gave a brief explanation of the points that had been passed by the board of studies , following which, the academic council members deliberated over the matter and unanimously approved it. The points discussed were the following :

- 1. To Continue regulations 2009 and the syllabi for MD Anesthesiology program, as per MCI norms
- 2. To include guest lectures by personality development experts for the benefit of post graduate students
- 3. To consider the Feedback Action taken report analyzed for the academic year 2016-2017

It was resolved to approve the board of studies on MD Anaesthesiology held on 27.02.2017

Agenda 5: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for M.Sc Anatomy and MD Anatomy held on 27/02/2017

The Dean, MMCHRI, elaborated on the minutes of the Board of Studies for M.Sc Anatomy and MD Anatomy held on 27/02/2017 in which, the proposal to continue the syllabi and course

structure of the Postgraduate curriculum of the M.Sc. and MD programs of the Faculty of Medicine, under the old Regulation had been approved. The matter was now placed before the academic council and the dean sought the approval of the members for the same.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for M.Sc Anatomy and MD Anatomy held on 27/02/2017

Agenda 6: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Dermatology held on 15.03.2017

The Dean, MMCHRI came forward to present the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Dermatology held on 15.03.2017. The members then carefully considered the points and agreed that they may be approved:

- 1. To continue regulations 2009 and the syllabi for MD Dermatology program, as per MCI norms
- 2. To consider the Feedback Action taken report analysed for the academic year 2015-16
- 3. To introduce Implementation of leprosy workshop once in 6 months to postgraduate students by leprosy control unit – Arakkonam as a part of the skill development program beyond the curriculum for the MD Dermatology program under regulations 2009 ,which would also improve their knowledge in clinical examination, management and rehabilitation of leprosy patients
- 4. To implement rotatory daily posting of post graduate students in special clinics such as vitiligo, psoriasis, bulla and pigmentation.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Dermatology held on 15.03.2017

Agenda 7: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD General Medicine held on 14.03.2017

The Dean, MMCHRI presented the decisions of the board of studies meeting for MD General Medicine held on 14.03.2017 before the academic council members and sought the approval of the academic council for implementation of the following:

- 1. To continue regulations 2009 and the syllabi for MD General Medicine program, as per MCI norms
- 2. To include the following skill development programs:
 - a. CME on Kidney disease & obesity

- b. Symposium on Rheumatoid arthritis
- c. APICON -72d Annual Conference of Association of Physicians of India
- 3. To consider and approve the following facilities and learning programs be approved:
 - a. Peripheral postings in Cardiology, Nephrology, Neurology & Gastroenterology
 - b. Rapid review course in General Medicine "MEDCLINICS" in Sri Ramachandra Medical College
- 4. To conduct CME on Stroke Update.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD General Medicine held on 14.03.2017

Agenda 8: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD General Surgery held on 27.2.2017

The Dean MMCHRI briefly presented the following points that had been discussed and approved by the Board of Studies for MD General Surgery held on 27.2.2017 and sought the approval of the academic council:

- 1. To continue the curriculum and syllabus of MS Surgery under the regulation R2009
- 2. To consider the Feedback Action taken report for the academic year 2015-2016

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD General Surgery held on 27.2.2017

Agenda 9: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Pharmacology held on 14.03.2017

The Dean, MMCHRI presented a proposal to consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Pharmacology held on 14.03.2017. The members discussed and decided to approve the decisions of the board of studies which were as follows:

- 1. To continue regulations 2009 and the syllabi for MD Pharmacology program as per MCI norms
- 2. To implement the training related to Bio-availability and Bio-equivalence studies in a recognized Contract Research Organisation (CRO)
- 3. To consider the feedback action taken report analyzed for the academic year 2015-2016.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Pharmacology held on 14.03.2017

Agenda 10: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Microbiology held on 14.03.2017

The Dean, MMCHRI presented the resolutions that had been passed by the Board of Studies for MD Microbiology held on 14.03.2017 and requested the members to kindly consider the following for approval:

- 1. To review the regulation 2010 and syllabus of MD-Microbiology
- 2. To ratify the list of paper setters and panel examiners for evaluation of papers

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Microbiology held on 14.03.2017

Agenda 11: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Obstetrics & Gynaecology held on 14.3.2017

The member secretary proposed to consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies MS Obstetrics & Gynaecology held on 14.3.2017. The recommendations provided by the regulatory bodies were discussed and the Dean proposed the following:

- 1. To continue the curriculum and syllabus of MS Obstetrics & Gynaecology under the regulation R2010
- 2. To conduct PAP smear clinic as screening for hospital staff
- 3. To consider the Feedback Action taken report for the academic year 2016-2017

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Obstetrics & Gynaecology held on 14.3.2017

Agenda 12: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Ophthalmology held on 27.2.2017

The member secretary proposed to consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for MS Ophthalmology held on 27.2.2017. The dean informed the members that the board of studies had decided to implement the new curriculum and syllabus that had been passed in the previous Board of Studies meeting.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Ophthalmology held on 27.2.2017

Agenda 13: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Orthopaedics held on 27.2.2017

The Dean, MMCHRI came forward to present the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Orthopaedics held on 27.2.2017. The members then carefully considered the points and agreed that they may be approved:

- 1. To continue the curriculum and syllabus of MS Orthopaedics under the regulation R2009
- 2. To conduct CME on hip disorders in September for post graduate students

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Orthopaedics held on 27.2.2017

Agenda 14: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Otorhinolaryngology held on 14.03.2017

The member secretary proposed to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Otorhinolaryngology held on 14.03.2017 and the Dean, MMCHRI took over and presented the following points for the approval of the members of the academic council:

- 1. To consider making it mandatory for post graduate students to present oral paper/poster in state/national/international conferences/workshop
- 2. Formation of an alumni club in the department to motivate the current students in higher education and training abroad

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Otorhinolaryngology held on 14.03.2017

Agenda 15: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Paediatrics held on 27.02.2017

The Dean, MMCHRI gave a brief explanation of the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Paediatrics held on 27.02.2017 and sought the consideration and approval of the academic council.

- 1. To continue regulations 2009 and the syllabi for MD Paediatrics PG program, as per MCI norms
- 2. To consider the Feedback Action taken report analyzed for the academic year 2016-2017

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Paediatrics held on 27.02.2017

Agenda 16: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Pathology held on 14.03.2017

The Dean, MMCHRI presented the proposal to consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Pathology held on 14.03.2017 and presented the following resolutions that had been passed by the board of studies and sought approval from the academic council:

1. To continue regulations 2009 and the syllabi for MD Pathology program, as per MCI norms

- 2. To approve the following skill development programs to improve the skills beyond the curriculum for the MD Pathology students under the Regulations of 2009:
 - a. CME series in Breast lesions, HPE, FNAC & IHC at MEDALL, Chennai.
 - b. CME series in Soft tissue lesions at MEDALL, Chennai
- 3. To improve the facilities and learning resources available in the institute for effective teaching:
 - a. Frozen section training workshop conducted in our department.
 - b. Peripheral posting in Hematology in Christian Medical College, Vellore.
 - c. Rapid review course in pathology "SPARRC" in Sri Ramachandra Medical College.
- 4. To conduct CME on World Thalassemia day

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Pathology held on 14.03.2017

Agenda 17: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Physiology held on 27.2.2017

The member secretary invited the Dean, MMCHRI to present the agenda. The Dean elaborated on the proceedings of the board of studies meeting held on 27.2.2017 and sought the approval of the members of the academic council for implementation of the following:

- 1. To continue the syllabi and course structure of Faculty of Medicine for MD program under the old regulation
- 2. To consider the implementation of journal club discussion twice in a month to improve the knowledge in research and recent updates

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Physiology held on 27.2.2017

Agenda 18: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Msc Medical Biochemistry held on 15.02.2017

The Dean MMCHRI presented an overview of the minutes of the Board of Studies for Msc Medical Biochemistry held on 15.02.2017. The following matters were placed before the academic council for approval:

- 1. To continue the syllabus and course structure of the Post Graduate curriculum of the Msc program of the Faculty of Medicine, under the old Regulation
- 2. To consider the implementation of journal club discussion twice in a month to improve the knowledge in research and recent updates

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Msc Medical Biochemistry held on 15.02.2017

Agenda 19: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Psychiatry held on 27.02.2017

The member secretary called upon the Dean,MMCHRI to discuss the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Psychiatry held on 27.02.2017. The following points were presented to the academic council for approval:

- 1. To continue regulations 2009 and the syllabi for MD Psychiatry as per MCI norms
- 2. To consider the Feedback Action taken report analyzed for the academic year 2016-2017

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Psychiatry held on 27.02.2017

Agenda 20: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Radiodiagnosis held on 01.03.2017

The Dean, MMCHRI presented the gist of the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Radiodiagnosis held on 01.03.2017. The following points were placed before the academic council members for consideration and approval:

- 1. To continue the MD Radiodiagnosis program taking into consideration of the suggestions and remarks given by the members to include the following implementations:
 - a) Plan and advice measures to prevent spread of infections.
 - b) Plan a monthly workshop for students in interventional radiology
- 2. To consider the feedback action taken, the report is analyzed and considered for further improvement

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Radiodiagnosis held on 01.03.2017

Agenda 21: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for nursing held on 09.03.2017

The Principal, Faculty of Arulmigu Meenakshi College of Nursing, presented the proposal to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for nursing held at Arulmigu Meenakshi College of Nursing on 09.03.2017.

The Revision of regulation for the B.Sc. (N) III rd & IV th year for the year 2016-17 according to the Indian Nursing Council regulations

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for nursing held on 09.03.2017

Agenda 22: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Humanities and Science held on 03.03.2017

The Principal, Faculty of Humanities and Science presented the following decisions of the board of studies for the approval of the academic council:

- 1. To continue the syllabus under the Regulations 2015
- 2. To include value added courses in the syllabus under the Regulations 2015
- 3. To continue the existing electives for the next semester under the regulation 2015.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Humanities and Science held on 03.03.2017

Agenda 23: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Physiotherapy held on 15.03.2017

The Principal, Faculty of Physiotherapy presented the proposal to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Physiotherapy held on 15.03.2017. The following points were unanimously approved by the members:

- 1. To continue the existing syllabus for MPT orthopedics and MPT Geriatrics
- 2. To conduct career development program for the post graduates of Physiotherapy to bridge the skill gap between the Academics and Industry as per the feedback received from the employer and the alumni.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Physiotherapy held on 15.03.2017

Agenda 24: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics held on 27.02.2017

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital, proposed to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics held on 27.02.2017. The important points were briefly explained, following which the members discussed and approved the following recommendations of the board of studies:

- 1. Inclusion of the new revised course regulation in MDS Syllabus
- 2. Inclusion of interdisciplinary curriculum for Orthodontics and Oral Surgery

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics held on 27.02.2017

Agenda 25: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics held on 27.2.2017

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital, presented the highlights of the Board of Studies meeting MDS Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics held on 27.2.2017. The members and the chairperson deliberated over the decisions of the board of studies and decided that they may be approved. The points that had been presented for approval of the academic council are given below:

- 1. To include alumni lectures for the post graduate students every year
- 2. To introduce a log book for maintaining track of various iatrogenic errors committed by post graduates so as to control the iatrogenic errors in future

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics held on 27.2.2017

Agenda 26: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Prosthodontics, Crown and Bridge held on 06.03.2017

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital presented a proposal to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Prosthodontics, Crown and Bridge held on 06.03.2017. The Principal presented the proposal to consider and approve the new PG curriculum. The members unanimously approved the agenda.

- 1. The addition of short study relevant to Prosthodontics in the second year of MDS Prosthodontics program
- 2. To implement the new 2017 MDS regulations changes and modifications
- 3. To conduct a sinus lift hands-on program in association with Osstem implant company

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Prosthodontics, Crown and Bridge held on 06.03.2017

Agenda 27: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery held on 28.02.2017

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital, proposed to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery held on 28.02.2017. The Principal briefly explained the decisions of the board of studies meeting to the academic council members which included the following:

- 1. To continue the regulation and syllabus of MDS- Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery under regulation 2007
- 2. To continue the program structure of MDS-Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery under regulation 2007
- 3. To consider the introduction of General Surgery and General Medicine Examinations for second year Post Graduate Students

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery held on 28.02.2017

Agenda 28: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Periodontics held on 08.03.17

The main highlights and the decisions of the Board of Studies for MDS Periodontics held on 08.03.17 were described in brief by the Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital to the academic council members and subsequently, their approval was sought for implementation of the same. The chairperson and the members deliberated over the proposals of the board of studies and unanimously approved the following:

- 1. To implement the New Revised MDS Course Regulation by the DCI
- 2. To ratify the attendance of the Perioshakthi conference by the postgraduates and their participation in the same by presenting papers and posters.
- 3. To ratify the attendance of the MDS national orientation program, PARICHAY to be held in MADCH on August 3rd and 4th 2017 by the first year postgraduates

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Periodontics held on 08.03.17

Agenda 29: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry held on 28.02.2017

The member secretary invited the Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital to present the important points of the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry held on 28.02.2017. The Principal took over and briefed the members about the following:

- 1. To continue the Regulations 2007 and syllabus of MDS- Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry
- 2. To implement the new Regulations 2017 of MDS- Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry as per DCI norms with effect from the academic year 2017-2018
- 3. To consider and approve the draft syllabus for regulations 2017 of MDS- Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry
- 4. Children's dental tour with the theme of "Oral Health Overall Health" conducted for school children up to 10 years of age

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry held on 28.02.2017

Agenda 30: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral Medicine and Radiology held on 27.02.2017

The member secretary invited the Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital to give a brief overview of the proceedings of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral Medicine and Radiology held on 27.02.2017. The Principal then discussed the following with the members:

- 1. To include National conference of IAOMR as a skill development program imparting transferable and life skills beyond the curriculum in the syllabus of MDS Oral Medicine and Radiology under the Regulations of 2007
- 2. To conduct a field visit having relevance to the local/national/regional/global developmental needs with learning objectives including program specific outcomes

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral Medicine and Radiology held on 27.02.2017

Agenda 31: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral Pathology & Microbiology held on 08.03.17

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital presented the proposal to ratify the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral Pathology & Microbiology held on 08.03.17. All the decisions of the board of studies were presented for consideration and approval of the academic council. The council members discussed and approved the following:

- 1. To ratify the new revised MDS Course regulation by the DCI
- 2. To ratify the attendance and participation in the 15th National conference of Indian Association of Forensic odontology by the postgraduate students
- 3. To ratify the attendance and participation in SNELSCON " Essentials of medical emergencies held at Saveetha Dental College by the postgraduate students

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral Pathology & Microbiology held on 08.03.17

Agenda 32: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Public Health Dentistry held on 27.02.2017

The member secretary called upon the Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital to present the agenda. The Principal, presented a gist of the board of studies meeting. The members considered the points and agreed to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Public Health Dentistry held on 27.02.2017. The highlights that were presented were as follows:

- 1. To include the following skill development programs :
 - a. Public Health Dentistry Integrated Learning Orientation and Training PILOT
 - b. Substance Abuse at Sri Ramachandra Medical College and Hospital

2. To organize a field visit having relevance to the local/national/regional/global developmental needs with learning objectives including program specific outcomes

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Public Health Dentistry held on 27.02.2017

Agenda 33: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for Bachelor of Dental Surgery held on 27.02.2017

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital presented the highlights of the Board of Studies meeting for Bachelor of Dental Surgery held on 27.02.2017. The members and the chairperson deliberated over the decisions of the board of studies and decided that they may be approved. The points that had been presented for approval of the academic council are given below:

- 1. To include the new revised course regulation in BDS Syllabus
- 2. To include Implantology in the BDS curriculum

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Bachelor of Dental Surgery held on 27.02.2017

Agenda 34: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for Diploma in Dental Mechanics held on 06.03.2017

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital briefly presented the agenda to post the final year students of dental technicians in the clinical Department of Orthodontics to get an orientation of the clinical procedure that had been discussed and approved by the Board of Studies for Diploma in Dental Mechanics held on 06.03.2017 and sought the approval of the academic council

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Diploma in Dental Mechanics held on 06.03.2017

Agenda 35: To consider and approve the introduction of Bachelor of Occupational Therapy Program from the year 2017-2018

The Member Secretary, Thiru. A.N.Santhanam presented a proposal to introduce the Bachelor of Occupational Therapy Program from the year 2017-2018 under the ambit of MAHER as per the provision given in the UGC notification reference no.: D.O.No.F.6-1(11)/2006(CPP-1) dated 15th July 2006. The members of the council appreciated MAHER for the initiative and said that it was the need of the hour to develop robust supporting services to medical and surgical care delivered to the patients.

It was resolved to introduce the Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (BOT) under the Faculty of Occupational Therapy from the academic year 2017-2018.

Agenda 36:To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Allied Health Sciences held on 05.04.2017

The Principal, Faculty of Allied Health Sciences presented the following decisions of the Board of Studies held on 05.04.2017 and sought the approval of the academic council:

- 1. Approved the list of interdisciplinary courses in the Syllabus of all the programs under B.Sc. Allied Health Sciences under the curriculum
- 2. To offer Value Added Course on Establishment of Clinical Laboratory Safety of B.Sc. Allied Health Sciences
- 3. To approve the initial syllabus draft for Respiratory Therapy

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Allied Health Sciences held on 05.04.2017

Agenda 37: To approve the following Value-Added Courses for the academic year 2017-18

The Member Secretary, Thiru. A.N.Santhanam presented the list of Value added courses across the constituent colleges of the university for the academic year 2017-18.

It was resolved to approve the value added courses offered at MAHER across all programs in the academic year 2017-18 as per [Annexure (AC 32.1)]

Agenda 38: Any other Matter

The Member Secretary enquired all the members if there was any other matter to be discussed. Since there was no other matter, the member secretary thanked the members for their inputs and patience.

The Vice Chancellor, Dr.Geetha Prakash, also thanked all the members for their time, patience and contribution .