MEENAKSHI ACADEMY OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

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Minutes of the Meeting of the 35th Academic Council held 08.05.2018

The 35th Academic Council meeting of Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education and Research was held at 11 a.m on 8th May 2018 in the boardroom. The following members attended the meeting.

S.NO	NAME	DESIGNATION	ROLE
1.	Dr.R.S.Neelakandan	Vice Chancellor, MAHER	Chairperson
2.	Dr.Gopinathan	Dean, MMCH&RI	Member
3.	Dr.N.Ambalavanan	Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College	Member
4.	Tmt. FabiolaM.Dhanaraj	Principal, Arulmigu Meenakshi College of Nursing	Member
5.	Dr.Valli Gunam	Principal i/c, Faculty of Allied Health Sciences	Member
6.	Dr.S.Sudhakar	Principal, Faculty of Physiotherapy	Member
7.	Mr.D.Ranjith	Principal, Faculty of Humanities and Sciences	Member
8.	Mr.A.P.Ponraj	Asst. Professor of Mathematics, Faculty of Humanities & Science	Member
9.	Dr.M.Chandrasekhar	Professor &HOD of Physiology, MMCH&RI	Member
10.	Dr.RadhaBai Prabhu	Professor of OBG, MMCH&RI	Member
11.	Dr.Srinivasan	Professor of TB & Chest, MMCH&RI	Member
12.	Dr.JaideepMahendra	Professor of Periodontology, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College	Member
13.	Dr.C.B.Tharani	Professor of Pharmacology, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College	Member
14.	Dr.S.Natarajan	Professor.& HOD of Medicine, MMCH&RI	Member
15.	Dr.Govardhan.K.	Professor of General Surgery, MMCH&RI	Member
16.	Dr.B.Anand	Professor of Anaesthesia, MMCH&RI	Member
17.	Dr.K.V.Rajasekhar	Professor of Radiology,	Member

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18.	Dr.B.Kavitha	Professor of Oral Pathology, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College	Member
19.	Dr.Pala Padmavathy	Professor of Paediatrics	Member
20.	.Dr.Krithika Datta	Reader of ConservativeDentistry, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College	Member
21.	Thiru.R.S.Gangatharan	Asst. Professor, Faculty of Physiotherapy	Member
22.	Dr.Kalaivalli	Former Professor of Medicine ,MMCH & RI	External Member
23.	Dr.A.V.Arun	Professor of Orthodontics, Saveetha Dental College	External Member
24.	Prof. Usha Kothandaraman	Former Professor of Anatomy, MMCH & RI	External Member
25.	Dr.Malliga	Former Professor of Biochemistry, MMCH & RI	External Member
26.	Dr.Sivaraman	Former Prof.Of Urology,MMCH & RI	External Member
27.	Dr.S.Vardarajan	Former Director of Technical Education, Chennai	External Member
28.	Prof.K.S.Nagarajan	Former Principal, Institute of Hotel Management Catering Technology & Applied Nutrition, Taramani	External Member
29.	Dr.V.Purushothaman	Director of Research, MAHER	Member
30.	Dr.G.Valli	Controller of Examination, MAHER	Member
31.	Dr.A.Nandakumar	Registrar (Academic), MAHER	Member secretary

The following members requested for leave of absence

- 1. Dr.M.Dhanapal, Dean, MMCH&RI, Kanchipuram
- 2. Dr.S.Lakshmi, Professor of Prosthodontics, MADC, Chennai
- 3. Dr.Uma Maheswari, Professor of Orthodontics, MADC, Chennai
- 4. Dr.Kalpana.L Associate Professor of Paediatrics, MMCH&RI, Kanchipuram
- 5. Dr.Mohamed Junaid, Asst. Professor of Preventive Health Dentistry, MADC, Chennai

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 the Minutes of the 34th Academic Council Meeting held

on 17.11.2017 and the actions taken thereon

The member secretary,Dr.A.Nandakumar, Registrar, MAHER presented a summary of the key points from the minutes of the 34th Academic Council Meeting held on 17th November, 2017 and the actions taken after the meeting to the members.

The minutes of the 34th Academic Council Meeting held on 17.11.2017 were reviewed and the actions taken thereon was approved.

Agenda 2: To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies in Dentistry held on 18.04.2018

The member secretary, Dr.A.Nandakumar, Registrar, MAHER invited the principal of Meenakshi Ammal Dental College to present the important aspects of the Board of Studies meeting on Dentistry held on 18.04.2018 . Dr.N.Ambalavanan, Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College briefly enumerated the revised DCI norms listed below:

- To conduct Part-I Basic Science University Examination for MDS at the end of First year instead of Third Year as per DCI norms. (DCI Notification dt 1st September, 2017). To implement the revised pattern of Exam for the current batch (2017-2018).
- 2. To follow DCI norms with regard to marks distribution for both Part-I and Part-II MDS University Examination.
- 3. To follow the minimum quota of teaching and learning activities for each specialty as prescribed by DCI.
- 4. As per DCI norms under no circumstances migration or transfer of students undergoing post graduate degree or diploma shall be permitted by the University or the authority. No interchange of specialty in the same institution shall be permitted after the date of commencement of the session.
- 5. It was also resolved to assess the overall performance of the PG students (patient management, Clinical skill, Publications, papers/poster presented, Awards won) for deciding the Gold medalist rather than exclusively considering the grand total marks obtained.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies in Dentistry held on 18.04.2018 with regard to revision of curriculum for the MDS program as per DCI regulations.

Agenda 3: To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies on Nursing held on 28.03.2018

The member secretary,Dr.A.Nandakumar, Registrar, MAHER proposed to consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Nursing held on 28.03.2018. The recommendations provided by the regulatory bodies were discussed and Dr.Fabiola M.Dhanraj, Principal, Faculty of Nursing proposed the following:

- 1. To include Environmental Studies as a separate paper in Second Year as recommended by UGC.
- 2. To introduce Multiple Choice Questions for 10 Marks out of 75 Marks for Nursing Papers.
- 3. To revise the B.Sc Nursing syllabus in AMCON according to INC regulations.
- 4. To constitute an Institutional Review Board

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies on Nursing held on 28.03.2018 with regard to revision of the BSc Nursing syllabus of MAHER as per INC regulations.

Agenda 4: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for DM Programs held on 08.3.2018

Dr Dhanapal, Dean, MMCHRI, Kanchipuram presented a proposal to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies meeting held on 08.3.2018. He briefed the members about the main points of the meeting which were:

- 1. To withdraw mandatory dissertation/thesis for the Super Specialty degree students, as per MCI regulations R 2011
- 2. To continue regulations 2011 and syllabus for the DM programs, as per MCI norms.

It was resolved to approve minutes of the Board of Studies for DM Programs held on 08.3.2018

Agenda 5: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MBBS held on 08.03.2018

Dr Gobinathan, Dean, MMCHRI, Kanchipuram briefly explained the following highlights of the Board of Studies for MBBS held on 08.3.2018:

- 1. To incorporate compulsory BLS & ACLS training for CRRI/interns & Post Graduates at the beginning of their postings and to issue certificate for the same
- 2. To continue the syllabus, academic calendar & schedule for MBBS program without change as per university & Governing Body regulations
- 3. To consider the introduction of the following skill development programs for the MBBS students under regulations 2009:
- Workshop on Surgical and Obstetrics drills conducted by Department of General Surgery in association with Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology
- Awareness program on deafness organized by Department of Otorhinolaryngology
- Quiz Accumbens organized by Department of Ophthalmology
- Oral research paper presentation to be done at the International Conference at Dubai by MBBS student
- 4. To conduct Value Added Course for curricular enrichment of the MBBS students under regulations 2009
- 5. To consider the Feedback Action taken report for the academic year 2017-2018.

It was resolved to approve minutes of the Board of Studies for held on 08.03.2018

Agenda 6: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MD TB and Chest diseases held on 27.2.2018

The Dean, MMCHRI proposed to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MD TB AND Chest diseases held on 27.2.2018. The important points were briefly explained, following which the members discussed and approved the following recommendations of the board of studies:

- 1. To consider and approve the proposal to conduct a CME program in the department on National TB day
- 2. To consider and approve the introduction of various facilities like sleep lab , thoracoscopy, rehabilitation centre, etc., for extending services in department
- 3. To consider and approve quarterly assessment of post graduates by conducting theory /viva or OSCE tests
- 4. To consider and approve the introduction of skill development programs such as sleep, niv management and chest radiology to improve skills beyond the curriculum for the post graduates

It was resolved to approve the board of studies on MD TB AND Chest diseases held on 27.2.2018

Agenda 7: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies on MD Anaesthesiology held on 26.2.2018

The Dean, MMCHRI presented a proposal to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies on MD Anaesthesiology held on 26.2.2018. The salient points that had been approved by

the board of studies were discussed and the consideration and approval of the members was sought for the same. The points were as follows:

- 1. To Continue regulations 2009 and the syllabi for MD Anesthesiology program, as per MCI norms
- 2. To include journal club presentations once per week by postgraduate students
- 3. To consider the Feedback Action taken report for the academic year 2017-2018

It was resolved to approve the board of studies on MD Anaesthesiology held on 26.2.2018

Agenda 8: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies on MD Anatomy held on 26.2.2018

The Dean, MMCHRI proposed to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies on MD Anatomy held on 26.2.2018. The members considered the matters and unanimously decided to approve the following:

- 1. To continue the syllabi and course structure of Faculty of Medicine for MD program under the old Regulation
- 2. To conduct skill development programs in the successive academic years
- 3. To consider the Feedback Action taken report is analysed for the academic year

It was resolved to approve the board of studies on MD Anatomy held on 26.2.2018

Agenda 9: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Msc Medical Biochemistry held on 19.02.2018

The Dean MMCHRI presented the gist of the minutes of the Board of Studies for Msc Medical Biochemistry held on 19.02.2018. The following matters were placed before the academic council for approval:

- 1. To consider and approve the inclusion of skill development programs beyond the curriculum for the PG's
- 2. To continue the syllabus and course structure of the Post Graduate curriculum of the MSc Medical program of the Faculty of Medicine, under the old Regulation
- 3. To consider the implementation of weekly once assessment followed by monthly once review of performance of the post graduate students

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Msc Medical Biochemistry held on 19.02.2018

Agenda 10: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Dermatology held on 14.03.2018

The Dean, MMCHRI, presented the proposal to consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Dermatology held on 14.03.2018. The members deliberated over the following decisions of the board of studies and unanimously agreed to approve them:

- 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 2016-17
- 3. To include "Workshop on botox and chemical peeling" as a kill development program beyond the curriculum for the MD Dermatology program under regulations 2009
- 4. Implementation of weekly once photo quiz discussion to improve on the spot preparedness of students in diagnosing and managing cutaneous disorders
- 5. To implement a monthly once seminar presentation of a particular topic in detail by postgraduate students.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Dermatology held on 14.03.2018

Agenda 11: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD General Medicine held on 08.03.2018

The member secretary called upon the Dean, MMCHRI to present the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD General Medicine held on 08.03.2018. The Dean presented the following points that had been discussed and approved by the Board of Studies:

- 1. To continue regulations 2009 and the syllabi for MD General Medicine program as per MCI norms
- 2. To implement the CBME curriculum for MD General Medicine prescribed by NMC under the Regulations 2019 from the academic year 2019-2020
- 3. To include the following skill development programs:
 - a. Medclinics in SRMC, Chennai
 - b. APICON 2018
- 4. To conduct ECG workshop

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD General Medicine held on 08.03.2018

Agenda 12: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD General Surgery held on 26.2.2018

A brief overview of the proceedings and decisions of the Board of Studies for MD General Surgery held on 26.2.2018 was given by the Dean, MMCHRI. Following this, the chairperson and the members discussed and unanimously concurred with the following decisions of the Board of Studies:

- 1. To continue the curriculum and syllabi of MD General Medicine under the regulation R 2009 as per MCI norms
- 2. To consider the feedback action taken report for academic year 2016-17

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD General Surgery held on 26.2.2018

Agenda 13: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Pharmacology held on 08.03.2018

The member secretary called upon the Dean, MMCHRI to present the agenda. The Dean, 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 MD Pharmacology held on 08.03.2018. The highlights that were presented were as follows:

- 1. To continue regulations 2009 and the syllabi for MD Pharmacology program as per MCI norms
- 2. To implement the competency needed for Pharmacovigilance program for postgraduates according to NMC guidelines.
- 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 MD Pharmacology held on 08.03.2018

Agenda 14: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Microbiology held on 08.03.2018

The Dean, MMCHRI, Kanchipuram, briefly summarized the main points that were discussed at the Board of Studies for MD Microbiology held on 08.03.2018 and sought the approval of the members for the resolutions that were taken at the meeting which were as follows:

- 1. To review the regulation 2010 and syllabus of MD-Microbiology
- 2. To include integrated teaching between departments as an integral part of PG learning

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Microbiology held on 08.03.2018

Agenda 15: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Obstetrics & Gynaecology held on 6.3.2018

The Dean, MMCHRI proposed to ratify the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Obstetrics & Gynaecology held on 6.3.2018. The following points were discussed at length by the members are they unanimously agreed to approve them:

- 1. To continue the curriculum and syllabus of MS Obstetrics & Gynaecology under the regulation R2010
- 2. Implementation of weekly once assessment followed by monthly once review of performance of students
- 3. To consider the Feedback Action taken report for the academic year 2017-2018

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Obstetrics & Gynaecology held on 6.3.2018

Agenda 16: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Ophthalmology held on 26.2.2018

The member secretary proposed to consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for MS Ophthalmology held on 26.2.2018. 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 26.2.2018

Agenda 17: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Orthopaedics held on 26.2.2018

The Dean, MMCHRI, Kanchipuram presented a proposal to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies meeting for MS Orthopaedics held on 26.2.2018. The Dean listed out the details of the resolutions taken at the board of studies meeting and sought the approval of the academic council for the same. The following were the highlights that were presented:

- 1. To continue the curriculum and syllabus of MS Orthopaedics under the regulation R2009
- 2. To consider and approve the new PG curriculum

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Orthopaedics held on 26.2.2018

Agenda 18: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Otorhinolaryngology held on 08.03.2018

The Dean, MMCHRI, briefed the members about the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Otorhinolaryngology held on 08.03.2018. The members had a brief discussion on the matter and decided to approve the following decisions of the board of studies:

- 1. To start sensitization programs among the post graduate students on developing strategies for PG MCI inspection
- 2. To start organizing community outreach programs in collaboration with SPM department for postgraduate students

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MS Otorhinolaryngology held on 08.03.2018

Agenda 19: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Paediatrics held on 26.2.2018

The Dean, MMCHRI presented a proposal to consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Paediatrics held on 26.2.2018. 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 Paediatrics PG program, as per MCI norms
- To improve the skill development program beyond the curriculum for the MD Paediatrics PG students under regulations 2009 by conducting monthly twice formative assessments for Postgraduate students
- 3. To consider the Feedback Action taken report for the academic year 2017-2018

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Paediatrics held on 26.2.2018

Agenda 20: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Pathology held on 08.03.2018

The member secretary proposed to consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for MD Pathology held on 08.03.2018. The recommendations provided by the board of studies were discussed and the Dean proposed the following:

- 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. International Conference on update in Diagnostic Pathology, Sri Ramachandra Medical College and Research Institute, Chennai

- 3. To improve the facilities and learning resources available in the institute is adequate for effective teaching and approve the following program for the same:
 - a. Autopsy workshop at Seth GS Medical College and KEM Hospital, Parel , Mumbai

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Pathology held on 08.03.2018

Agenda 21: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Physiology held on 26.2.2018

Dean, MMCHRI, Kanchipuram proposed to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Physiology held on 26.2.2018. The chairperson and the members deliberated over the recommendations of the board of studies and unanimously decided to approve the following:

- 1. To continue the syllabi and course structure of Faculty of Medicine for MD program under the old regulation
- 2. Implementation of weekly once assessment followed by monthly once review of performance of the post graduate students

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Physiology held on 26.2.2018

Agenda 22: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Psychiatry held on 26.02.2018

The Dean, MMCHRI gave a brief presentation of the important points that had been approved by the Board of Studies for MD Psychiatry held on 26.02.2018. The members deliberated over the points and concurred that the following may be finalized for approval:

- 1. To continue regulations 2009 and the syllabi for MD Psychiatry as per MCI norms
- 2. To conduct monthly twice formative assessments for Postgraduate students as a part of the skill development program beyond the curriculum for the MD Psychiatry students under regulations 2009
- 3. To consider the Feedback Action taken report analyzed for the academic year 2017-2018

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Psychiatry held on 26.02.2018

Agenda 23: To consider and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Radiodiagnosis held on 27.02.2018

The Dean, MMCHRI presented the proposal to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MD Radiodiagnosis held on 27.02.2018. The important points that were passed by the

board of studies were discussed in brief and the consideration and approval of the academic council was sought. The points that were approved were the following:

- 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. Implementation of conducting OSCE pattern for all academic years
 - b. Monthly review of students' performance by a mentor and reporting it to the HOD.
- 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 27.02.2018

Agenda 24: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for nursing held on 28.02.2018

The member secretary proposed to consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Nursing held on 28.02.2018. The recommendations provided by the regulatory bodies were discussed and Dr.Fabiola M.Dhanraj, Principal, Faculty of Nursing proposed the following:

- 1. Declaration of results online from the forthcoming University Examination
- 2. Introduction of Certification Courses in the forthcoming years
- 3. To Constitute the Institutional Review Board in the College as the final year students are doing projects in the community as well as the Clinical area, be approved
- 4. To include value-added courses such as "Soft skills for nurses" in the Syllabi of B.Sc. (N)

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for nursing held on 28.02.2018

Agenda 25: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for Allied Health Sciences held on 08.03.2018

The Principal, Faculty of Allied Health Sciences, was invited by the member secretary to discuss the highlights of the minutes of the Board of Studies for Allied Health Sciences held on 08.03.2018. The Principal briefly explained the main points that were discussed and sought the approval of the academic council for implementation of the following proposals:

- 1. To approve the list of interdisciplinary courses to be introduced in the Syllabus B.Sc. Allied Health Sciences under the new Regulation 2018
- 2. To offer a Value-Added Course on Data Analysis Decision Making for II year and III year UG students

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Allied Health Sciences held on 08.03.2018

Agenda 26: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Humanities and Science held on 13.03.2018

The member secretary invited the Principal, Faculty of Humanities and Science to present the minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Humanities and Science held on 13.03.2018. The Principal explained the highlights of the meeting as elaborated below:

- 1. To continue the syllabus under the Regulations 2015
- 2. To include value added courses in the syllabus of under the Regulations 2015
- To include amendments as per the curriculum feedback given by professionals, employers & alumni in the new regulations of 2018 in all the programs of Faculty of Humanities and Science from the next academic year
- 4. To continue the existing non major 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 13.03.2018

Agenda 27: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Physiotherapy held on 06.03.18

The Principal of the Faculty of Physiotherapy proposed to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Physiotherapy held on 06.03.18. A gist of the highlights of the meeting was presented before the academic council members and their approval was sought for the following:

- 1. To continue the Syllabi and program structure of Faculty of Physiotherapy for Bachelor of Physiotherapy (B.P.T) program under the Regulation 2016
- 2. To include "Designing and Fabrication of Orthotics and Prosthetics" as a value-added course imparting transferable and life skills offered beyond the curriculum in the Syllabi of Bachelor of Physiotherapy (B.P.T) under the Regulations 2016
- 3. To approve the list of proposed interdisciplinary courses in the curriculum of III-year and IV-year Bachelor of Physiotherapy under the regulation 2016
- 4. To continue the Syllabi and programme structure of III-year and IV Year Bachelor of Physiotherapy of program under the Regulation 2016 to include new elective courses which will be reflected in the marksheet for the third year and final year students of Bachelor of Physiotherapy from the academic year 2021-2022

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Physiotherapy held on 06.03.18

Agenda 28: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Physiotherapy held on 12.03.18

The member secretary called upon the Principal, Faculty of Physiotherapy to present the minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Physiotherapy held on 12.03.18. The Principal then briefly directed the attention of the members to the main agenda that had been passed at the board of studies, which were as follows:

- 1. To introduce MPT in Neurology, MPT in Obstetrics and Gynecology and MPT in Pediatrics under the Regulation 2018-2019 in the Faculty of Physiotherapy
- 2. To continue the syllabus and structure for the post graduate programs including MPT Neurology, MPT Pediatrics and MPT OBG under the regulation 2018
- 3. To finalize the topics for Dissertation within six months of 1st year of MPT program with possibility of making slight modifications within a period from 6 months to 12 months since beginning of the course.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Physiotherapy held on 12.03.18

Agenda 29: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Occupational therapy held on 12.04.2018

The Principal, Faculty of Occupational therapy presented the proposal to review and approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Occupational therapy held on 12.04.2018. The following were the main points that had been discussed:

- 1. To review the draft syllabus for the Bachelor of Occupational Therapy program
- 2. To introduce the subject "Disaster Management" as a non-examination subject in the I Year for the 2017-2018
- 3. To propose the inclusion of electives in 3rd and 4th year curriculum

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Faculty of Physiotherapy held on 12.04.2018

Agenda 30: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics held on 08.03.2018

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital, gave a brief presentation of the important points that had been approved by the Board of Studies for MDS Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics held on 08.03.2018. The members deliberated over the points and concurred that the following may be finalized for approval:

- 1. To conduct randomized controlled trials for research projects as suggested by external members- academic and clinical experts
- 2. To inform the PG students to register for Indian Lingual Orthodontic conference as part of Skill training

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics held on 08.03.2018

Agenda 31: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics held on 28.2.2018

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital, briefed the members about the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics held on 28.2.2018. The Principal presented the recommendation to introduce the following changes to the syllabus and hands-on course for post graduates that were discussed in the board of studies for approval of the academic council:

- 1. Carrier based obturation technique was included in preclinical exercise. Demonstration on the use of guttacore obturation system were given on artificial canals in resin training endo blocks, preheating of guttacore was demonstrated and the exercise was included in the preclinical curriculum.
- 2. Post-graduate students have to do at least 3 carrier based obturation technique preclinical endodontic exercise and 5 clinical endodontic cases

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics held on 28.2.2018

Agenda 32: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Prosthodontics, Crown and Bridge held on 26.02.2018

The member secretary announced the need to discuss the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Prosthodontics, Crown and Bridge held on 26.02.2018 and called upon the Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital to present the same. The Principal presented the proposal of the board of studies to ratify the decision to conduct a second part of CDE program in Implantology to the academic council for approval. The members discussed and unanimously approved the proposal.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Prosthodontics, Crown and Bridge held on 26.02.2018

Agenda 33: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery held on 02.03.2018

The member secretary called upon the Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital to take over and present the minutes of the Board of Studies forMDS Oral and Maxillofacial

Surgery held on 02.03.2018. The Principal presented a gist of the following points that had been discussed and passed by the board of studies to the academic council members and sought their approval:

- 1. To continue the new regulation and syllabus of MDS- Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery under regulation 2017
- 2. To continue the new program structure of MDS- Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery under regulation 2017
- 3. To introduce seminars for Post Graduates regularly on Monday, Wednesday and Friday
- 4. To consider the number of Publications done by staff and students done in the previous academic year

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery held on 02.03.2018

Agenda 34: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Periodontics held on 08.03.2018

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital briefly explained the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Periodontics held on 08.03.2018 to the academic council members and requested their approval for the recommendations of the board of studies. The following points were considered and approved by the members:

- 1. To organize the pre-conference course of 17th ISP National postgraduate convention on 16th march 2018
- To ratify the attendance of the 17th ISP National postgraduate convention, SHOWCASE 2018 (International Conference on case reports) held at Saveetha dental college by the postgraduates and their participation in the same by presenting papers and posters
- 3. To organize a National conference on "Interdisciplinary oral rehabilitation" & "An update on oral health-an epidemiological outlook" on 29th and 30th June 2018 and to motivate PGs to present paper for the same
- 4. To conduct oral hygiene day celebration on 1st august 2018

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Periodontics held on 08.03.2018

Agenda 35: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry held on 08.03.2018

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital briefly explained the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry held on 08.03.2018 to the academic council members and requested their approval for the recommendations of the board of studies. The following points were considered and approved by the members:

- 1. To continue the Regulations 2007 and syllabus of MDS- Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry
- 2. To continue the regulations 2017 and syllabus of MDS- Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry
- 3. Hands on Program on "Nitrous Oxide Inhalational Sedation" to be conducted in the month of August as a skill development course imparting transferable and life skills beyond the curriculum in the syllabus of MDS in Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry under the Regulations 2007, 2017
- 4. To ratify the attendance of a lecture at Balaji Dental College by the postgraduate students

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry held on 08.03.2018

Agenda 36: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral Medicine and Radiology held on 26.02.2018

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital presented the proposal to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral Medicine and Radiology held on 26.02.2018. The following points were approved by the members:

- 1. To include Medical updates on Cardiac, Hematologic & Infectious diseases A Dentist's perspective as a skill development beyond the curriculum for the PG's of OMR under the Regulations of 2017
- 2. To conduct a field visit having relevance to the local/national/regional/global developmental needs with learning objectives including program specific outcomes
- 3. To include National Cancer Awareness Program
- 4. Postgraduates to present paper in International Dental Conference 2018 from 16th-17th Mar 2018 at Hilton Hotel, Chennai organized by IDA

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral Medicine and Radiology held on 26.02.2018

Agenda 37: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral Pathology & Microbiology held on 08.03.2018

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital proposed to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies on MDS Oral Pathology & Microbiology held on 08.03.2018. The following recommendations of the Board of Studies were presented to the members of the academic council for approval:

1. To ratify CDE program that had been organised on Potentially malignant diseases and Forensic odontology

- 2. To ratify the attendance and participation of the postgraduate students in the7th ISP National Postgraduate Convention and SHOWCASE 2018 (International Conference on case reports) to be held at Saveetha dental college
- To Consider organising National conference on "Interdisciplinary oral rehabilitation" & "An update on oral health-an epidemiological outlook" on 29th and 30th June 2018 and to motivate PGs to present paper for the same

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Oral Pathology & Microbiology held on 08.03.2018

Agenda 38: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Public Health Dentistry held on 26.02.2018

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital proposed to consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for MDS Public Health Dentistry held on 26.02.2018. The Principal sought the permission of the academic council regarding the following matters that were passed at the Board of Studies:

- 1. To include the following skill development programs:
 - a. "Demystifying Research" Workshop on Research methodology and Biostatistics
 - b. QUEST 2018 Workshop for Exam going students
- 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 26.02.2018

Agenda 39: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for Bachelor of Dental Surgery held on 08.03.2018

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital briefed the members about the minutes of the Board of Studies for Bachelor of Dental Surgery held on 08.03.2018. The Principal presented the following proposals to the members of the academic council:

1. To conduct new research projects and to encourage UG students to do publication in indexed journals.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Bachelor of Dental Surgery held on 08.03.2018

Agenda 40: To consider and approve minutes of the Board of Studies for Diploma in Dental Mechanics held on 26.02.2018

The Principal, Meenakshi Ammal Dental College and Hospital briefed the members about the minutes of the Board of Studies for Diploma in Dental Mechanics held on 26.02.2018. The Principal presented the proposal to the members of the academic council to include maxillofacial preclinical exercises model work like eye prosthesis, ear prosthesis, finger prosthesis, obturator processing as part of their curriculum in the final year dental technician program.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Board of Studies for Diploma in Dental Mechanics held on 26.02.2018

Agenda 41: Approval of interdisciplinary courses in the programs offered by the University for the academic year 2018-2019

The member secretary, Dr.A.Nandakumar, Registrar presented the list of interdisciplinary courses in the programs to be offered by the University in the year 2018-2019. He added that these courses are important as they promote integrative learning and help students to expand career options.

It was resolved to introduce the interdisciplinary courses across all programs in the year 2018-2019 as listed in [Annexure (AC 35.1)]

Agenda 42: To approve the list of value added courses for the academic year 2018-2019

The member secretary, Dr.A. Nandakumar, Registrar, MAHER, presented the list for the year 2019-2019. He added that these courses can be beneficial to students in honing their skills and make them better equipped for the demands of their respective fields.

It was resolved to approve the value added courses for the academic year 2018-2019 as listed in **[Annexure (AC 35.2)]**

Agenda 43: Approval of the sanctioned faculty strength and the existing faculty strength in the year 2018-2019

The member secretary, Dr.A.Nandakumar, Registrar, MAHER, discussed the number of full-time teachers against the sanctioned posts in the year 2018-2019.

The sanctioned faculty strength as per the norms of UGC and regulatory bodies and the number of existing faculty were presented as listed in [Annexure (AC 35.3)]

Agenda 44: To consider and approve the number of sanctioned seats in all programs offered at MAHER for the academic year 2018-2019

The member secretary, Thiru A.N.Santhanam, Registrar, MAHER, presented a report on the number of sanctioned seats in all the programs offered at MAHER for the academic year 2018-2019.

It was resolved to approve the number of sanctioned seats in all the programs offered at MAHER for the academic year 2018-2019 as per [Annexure (AC 35.4)]

Agenda 45: To consider and review the Examination reforms for the academic year 2018-2019

The Controller of Examinations presented the proposal to consider and approve the examination reforms (Provision for revaluation and issue of photocopy of answer scripts to students who demand the same) initiated by MAHER.

It was resolved to approve the proposal on examination reforms initiated by COE, MAHER.

Agenda 46: Any other matter

The member secretary, Dr.A.Nandakumar, Registrar, MAHER, enquired all the members if there was any other matter pending for discussion. Since there was no other matter, the member secretary thanked the members for their time and inputs.

The Vice Chancellor, Dr.R.S.Neelakandan, thanked all the members for attending and for giving their valuable contributions to this meeting.