

Members Present:

Sl. No.	Name & Designation	Position
1)	Prof. T.B. Subba Vice-Chancellor Sikkim University	Chairman
2)	Dr. Dhaniraj Chettri, Dean of Students' Welfare Sikkim University	Member
3)	Prof. Pratap Chandra Pradhan Dean School of Humanities & Social Sciences Sikkim University	Member
4)	Dr. Subir Mukhopadhyay, Associate Professor, Department of Physical Sciences Sikkim University	Member
5)	Dr. (Smt.) Kiran Datar Former Dean of Colleges University of Delhi, Delhi	Member
6)	Shri Sonam Wangdi Former Chief Secretary Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok	Member
7)	Prof. S.C. Singh Dean, College Development Council, Hemwati Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal University Srinagar, Uttrakhand	Member
8)	Shri Thomas Chandy Secretary, Human Resource Development Department, Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok	Member
9)	Dr. R.R. Rao INSA Honorary Scientist 328, B-4, Kendriya Vihar, Yelahanka, Bangalore	Member
10)	Prof. Atul Sarma, Former Vice Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi University and Professor of Economics Institute for Human Development Indraprastha Estate, New Delhi	Member
11)	Shri D. Kanunjna Adviser (Finance) Sikkim University	Special Invitee
12)	Shri K.M. Deb OSD/Registrar Sikkim University	Secretary

Regrets received:

Sl. No.	Name & Designation	Position
1)	Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang Dean School of Sciences Sikkim University	Member
2)	Prof. V.S. Prasad Former Director, NAAC Flat No. 302, Hallmark Residency Arora Colony, Road No. 3 Banjara Hall, Hyderabad	Member
3)	Prof. Dr. (Ms.) Ashum Gupta Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Delhi New Delhi	Member

As the requisite quorum was attained the Chairman declared the meeting open. He extended a warm welcome to all the members and particularly the members who came from outside Sikkim to attend the meeting. He also introduced Mr. Thomas Chandy, Secretary, HRDD, Govt. of Sikkim as a new member to the Council. He then initiated discussion as per agenda.

EC:17:01	Confirmation of the minutes of the XVI Meeting of the Executive Council held on 17th March 2013
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The minutes of the 16th Meeting of the Executive Council were circulated but no comments were received. The Chairman proposed to confirm the same. At this point Prof. Kiran Datar made a submission that the University should encourage the innovative ideas so far as the management of the University is concerned. She also pointed out that the designations like Upper Division Clerk, Lower Division Clerk and so on are obsolete and the University should think about multi-tasking functions by the employees and the designation of the employees should be made accordingly. Prof. Atul Sarma endorsed the views expressed by Prof. Datar and observed that the University has the autonomy to take such decisions. Prof. Sarma further proposed that a Knowledge Management Consultant may be appointed for a comprehensive planning of the University administration and academics. The Chairman informed the Council about the view of the UGC in this regard and placed the letter no F.No.64.6/2012(CU) dated 12.07.2013 received from the UGC before the members.

The minutes of the sixteenth meeting of the Executive Council held on 17th March 2013 were then confirmed.

EC:17:02	ATR on the Minutes of the XVI Meeting of the Executive Council held on 17th March 2013
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The Chairman directed the OSD/Registrar to place the action reports on the minutes of the last meeting. The OSD/Registrar placed the action taken report item wise for the consideration of the House and the same were noted.

The Council decided to withdraw the proposed amendment to Statute 17 of the University on the ground that $\frac{1}{3}$ rd of the members will be too small to take crucial financial decisions involving crores of rupees.

EC:17: 03	Items for Information
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i. Hiring of buildings for hostel purpose

Noted

ii. Hiring of a building for academic purpose

Noted

iii. Renewal of Temporary Affiliation

Noted

iv. Syllabus Drafting/Revision Matters

Noted

v. Correction in BA (Honours) Sociology syllabus

Noted

vi. Appointment of the First Registrar for the residual period of 25 months

Noted

i. MOU with XIV Finance Commission

The Council ratified the action taken by the University by way of signing an agreement between the XIV Finance Commission and Sikkim University as part of the requirement for commissioning a study on the finance of Sikkim with a budget of ` 2.5 lakhs.

ii. Establishment of a Community College

The matter was deferred with a direction that University will send the concept note on Community College to the members for their perusal and consideration.

iii. National Vocational Education Qualification Framework

The Council authorized the Vice-Chancellor to constitute a committee with few faculty members to work out the details and to place it in the next meeting of the Executive Council.

iv. Appointment of faculty members

The appointment on contract of the following faculty members made by the Vice-Chancellor was ratified with a condition that it should not be cited as precedence in future:

Sl. No.	Name	Department	Consolidated salary (in `) p.m.	Period
1.	Prof. G. Chaudhuri	Chinese	60,000	1 Semester
2.	Prof. Basudeb Chakraborti	English	60,000	1 Semester
3.	Prof. Surendra Mohan Pany	Education	60,000	1 Semester
4.	Prof. P.K. Sharma	Mathematics	60,000	1 Year
5.	Prof. K.K. Jindal	Horticulture	60,000	1 Semester
6.	Shri Dinesh Sahoo	Hindi	40,000	1 Semester
7.	Dr. Bikram Thapa	Hindi	40,000	1 Semester

v. Nomination of Prof. Ashoke K. Dutta to the Finance Committee

The Council resolved to nominate Prof. Ashoke K Dutta as one of the members of the Executive Council to the Finance Committee of the University

vi. Extension of contract employment of faculty members

The Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in extending the period of contract employment in respect of the following teachers for another period of six months with a condition that this would not be cited as a precedent. The Council also desired that such action in future may be taken with prior approval of the Council except under urgent and exigent situations.

Sl. No.	Name	Department
1.	Dr. Niladri Bag	Tea Plantation and Management
2.	Dr. Arun Chettri	
3.	Dr. Bimal Ghimire	Ethno-botany and Social Medicine Studies
4.	Dr. N. Bijayalaxmi	
5.	Dr. Nagendra Thakur	Microbiology
6.	Mrs. P. Kaur	English
7.	Dr. Biswajit Gopal Roy	Chemical Sciences

vii. Resignation by Dr. T.K. Guha, Librarian

The Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in accepting the resignation of Dr. T.K. Guha, Librarian and it was decided that the post be advertised as early as possible. The Council also considered the proposal of the Vice-Chancellor to invite Prof. A.S. Chandel and decided to appoint him as a Librarian for a period of one year with a consolidated salary of ` 60,000/- per month plus free accommodation.

viii. Appointments made under Group C posts

The Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving the recommendation of the Selection Committees and appointing the following employees in the

post shown against each. It was also directed that in future all such recommendations be first placed in the Council for its consideration.

Sl. No.	Name	Post
1.	Ms. Dakshata Lawer	Upper Division Clerk
2.	Ms. Christina Rai	
3.	Ms. Doma Tamang	Lower Division Clerk
4.	Mr. Sudeep Gurung	
5.	Mr. Basant Baraily	
6.	Ms. Reshu Pradhan	
7.	Mr. Nawraj Pradhan	Driver
8.	Mr. Tek Bahadur Pradhan	

EC:17: 05	Items for Decision
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i. Campus Development

The Council approved the recommendation of the Building Committee in approving the DPR made by the Buildings and Housing Department, Govt. of Sikkim for construction of the Boundary wall at the estimated cost of ` 12,48,41,709/- (Rupees twelve crore, forty eight lakhs, forty one thousand, seven hundred and nine) only for the area of land measuring 264.94 acres.

The Council also considered the report of the contour survey made by the Mines, Minerals and Geology Department of Govt. of Sikkim and decided that the University should float the global tender seeking Expression of Interest for the architectural design and a Master plan of the University campus, including landscape designing.

It was also suggested that the University may consider construction of temporary sheds to shift the University to the permanent campus early to avoid payment of rent for buildings hired by the University.

ii. Basic Certificate Courses in Chinese and Nepali

The Council approved to introduce the basic certificate courses in Nepali and Chinese languages for 3 months as approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 26th July 2013.

iii. List of the experts for selection committees

The Council examined the list of experts for the Selection Committees proposed by the Vice-Chancellor for the subjects mentioned below and approved the same:

Zoology, Management, Commerce, History, Political Science, International Relations, Anthropology, Sociology, Hindi, Nepali, Horticulture, Education, English, Law, Mathematics, Music and Tourism.

iv. Chartered Accountancy (CA) as a qualifying degree for admission to PhD

The matter was deferred with a direction that further information on the eligibility of Chartered Accountants for PhD programme be collected.

v. 5 year Integrated BCA-MCA course in Computer Sciences and Applications

The Council approved the proposal of the University to make BCA-MCA course as 5 years integrated course as approved by the Academic Council. The Chairman was authorized to ascertain the rationale for 6 years, as it exists now.

vi. Appointment of faculty members on contract

The Council after detailed discussions authorized the Vice-Chancellor to invoke Statute 19 for making appointments in view of the unavailability of adequate applicants at the levels of Professor in particular. It was suggested that such appointments be made at least for 1 semester so that the incumbent takes full responsibility of at least one paper.

vii. Recommendation of the Selection Committees for Group A posts

The Council considered the recommendations made by the Selection Committees for the Group A posts mentioned below and accepted the same:

Sl.No	Name of the Post	Selected candidate in order of merit
1.	Finance Officer	Shri. N. Subramaniam

2.	Controller of Examinations	None found suitable for the post
3.	System Analyst	1. Shri. Vivek Moktan 2. Shri. Dipesh Sharma 3. Shri Sandeep Raya
4.	Assistant Librarian	None found suitable for the post

viii. Creation of Non-Teaching posts

After a detailed discussion, the Council decided to create the following posts with the direction that a detailed proposal for creation of other posts be placed in the next meeting for consideration of the Council:

Sl. No.	Designation	Approved Core Pay Scale		No. of posts
		Pay Band	Grade Pay	
1)	Assistant Engineer	9300-34800	4600	1
2)	Junior Engineer (Civil)	9300-34800	4200	1
3)	Junior Engineer (Electrical)	9300-34800	4200	1
4)	Security Officer	9300-34800	4600	1

ix. Annual Accounts 2012-13

The Annual Accounts for the year 2012-13 was approved.

x. Allocation of 12th Plan grants

The Council noted that UGC has allocated ` 300 crores as allocation for the XII Plan Grants and also noted that University has already taken up for additional provision of ` 785 crores for the campus development.

xi. Utilization of grants during the quarter ended June 2013

The Council noted the utilization of grants by the University during the quarter ended on 30.06.2013.

xii. Recruitment Rules

The Council authorized the Vice-Chancellor to get the draft Recruitment Rules examined by a small committee of experts and approve the same.

The meeting then ended with a vote of thanks from the Chair.

(Shri K.M. Deb)
OSD-Registrar
Secretary

(Prof. T.B. Subba)
Vice-Chancellor
Chairman