

JSS LAW COLLEGE

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KUVEMPUNAGAR, MYSURU-570023



XXXVII GOVERNING BODY MEETING PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings of the 37th Governing Body Meeting held on 24th June 2023

Members Present:

1	Dr. C.G. Betsurmath Executive Secretary, JSS Mahavidya Peetha	Member – Management
2	Hon'ble Sri Justice Subhash Adi Former Judge, High Court of Karnataka	Member – Management
3	Prof. R. Mugeshappa Director, College Education Division, JSS Mahavidya Peetha	Member – Management
4	Prof.(Dr.) V.Vijaykumar Vice Chancellor, The National Law Institute University, Bhopal.	Member – (UGC Nominee)
5	Prof. K.S. Suresh Chief Executive, JSS Law College, Mysuru	Member – Management
6	Dr. A.H.M. Vijayalakshmi Regional Joint Director, Collegiate Education, Mysuru	Member – (Govt. Nominee)
7	Dr. C.S Patil Professor, KSLU's Law School, Hubballi	Member – (University Nominee)
8	Sri. M P Nagendramurthy Assistant Professor, JSSLC, Mysuru	Member - Faculty
9	Smt. Usharani M C Assistant Professor, JSSLC, Mysuru	Member – Faculty
10	Sri. Niranjan Murthy B Asst. Director, College Education Division, JSS Mahavidya Peetha	Special Invitee
11	Sri. P Shivananda Bharathi Controller of Examinations, JSSLC, Mysuru.	Special Invitee
12	Dr. S.Nataraju Principal & Member Secretary, JSSLC, Mysuru	Member Secretary

Members could not be present:

1	Prof. (Dr.) V. Nagaraj Vice Chancellor, Dharmashastra National Law University, Jabalpur	Leave of Absence
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Agenda 37.1: Welcome

The 37th Governing Body Meeting (online & offline) was convened on June 24, 2023, at 11 a.m. in the college. The meeting commenced with a formal welcome by the Principal. Dr C.G. Betsurmath, Executive Secretary, JSS Mahavidya Peetha, was requested to chair the meeting.

Agenda 37.2: Reading and Recording of the Proceedings of the 36th G.B. Meeting Held on December 24, 2022

The proceedings of the 36th Governing Body meeting were considered for approval. The proceedings of the previous meeting had already been sent to all the members for suggestions and corrections, and as there were no objections or clarifications, the same was approved.

Agenda 37.3: Action Taken Report on the 36th Governing Body Meeting

The action taken on the decisions of the 36th GB meeting held on December 24, 2022, was placed before the members for consideration. The resolutions passed, and decisions or actions taken are as follows:

Agenda 36.3: Recommendations of the Academic Council:

The suggestions and resolutions made during the 30th Academic Council Meeting are as follows:

Resolution: (i) It was resolved to integrate JSS Law College with JSSAHER and to disaffiliate from KSLU progressively.

Decision/Action taken: In this regard, JSSAHER convened a meeting with the college and discussed the steps to be taken and the formalities to be complied with before merging with JSSAHER. The college has submitted the required information and documents to JSSAHER for further processing.

Resolution: (ii) Dr V. Vijaykumar suggested organising workshops and seminars in association with National law schools and also insisted on training Library staff on the use of Legal databases and digital libraries and on the areas of Artificial intelligence and IPR.

Decision/Action taken: The College has organised special lectures on several topics, including the use of Library Resources by Manupatra and the importance of the digital library. Further, the college proposes to organise Seminars on emerging areas of law.

Resolution: (iii) Dr V. Vijaykumar and Dr C.S. Patil suggested creating software for NAAC-SSR preparation and uploading all the details of day-to-day events, photos, and Videos on the college website so that it may help us in the systematic creation of NAAC documentation.

Decision/Action taken: The College has software called Campus.uno, where all the information about the college is uploaded on a regular basis.

Agenda 36.8: Any other matter with the permission of the Chair

The following suggestions were made during the deliberations on the above agenda:

Resolution: (i) It was suggested by the members that, in order to comply with the conditions imposed by KLSU during the inspection, Dr C.S. Patil, Dr V. Vijaykumar, and other members suggested enhancing salaries for the teachers and also implementing Career Advancement Grade (CAS) to promote the teachers from Assistant to Associate Professor to Professor. Further, it was also suggested by the Hon'ble Justice Subash Adi, and Dr Giridhar Rao, Regional Joint Director, Mysuru, also reiterated the same and suggested enhancing salary and promotion benefits for all the Staff.

Decision/Action taken: The same has been sent to JSSMVP for its consideration and positive action.

The suggestions made during the deliberations on the above subject are as follows:

1. Regarding the proposal to integrate JSSLC with AHER, Dr C.G. Betsurmath suggested convening a meeting with both institutions to discuss the progress to move JSSAHER, finalize the process, and take swift action.
2. Dr. V.Vijaykumar suggested to improve the Legal database and Digital library, he insisted on procuring the Artificial Intelligence software Legit-Quest, an IP-based software and online Legal Research system that offers Case Law Research, Annotations, Tax Law Research, and search history in one place. Further, he suggested organizing a workshop on the use of this software for all the faculties and students in coordination with KSLU. Prof. K. S. Suresh brought to the attention of the members that we have already conducted an online test and admission through the use of Campus. Uno software, besides updating college information and day-to-day events.
3. Regarding the promotion of teachers, it was suggested to constitute a Committee.
4. Hon'ble Justice Subhash Adi suggested starting an online Mediation Course for the students, which has more significance and opportunity for all the upcoming graduates. Further, Dr C. G. Betsurmath also informed the course teacher to organize the same.

Decision: It was approved and accepted.

Agenda 37.3: Placing the Recommendations of the Academic Council:

The 31st Academic Council Meeting was held on June 3, 2023, and the recommendations made in the 23rd BOS of PG and UG meetings held on May 24, 2023, and May 25, 2023,

respectively, were brought to the attention of the members. Suggestions made during the deliberations on the above agenda are as follows:

- Regarding the Institutional Preparedness to implement NEP 2020 and to incorporate the initiators of NEP, It was resolved to consider as far as possible introducing multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary areas in the curriculum, evolving the academic bank of credits, enhancing skill development activities, integrating the Indian knowledge system, focusing on outcome-based education, and facilitating online education through certificate courses. It was accepted.
- It was suggested to subscribe to plagiarism-checking software and involve faculty in the assignment of informal minor projects to the students.
- It was decided to continue the medium of instruction in English since it is a compulsive necessity for the Legal Profession and advocacy; however, to promote bilingual policy, Dr V. Vijaykumar suggested that it can be taken up with the help of Google translation. The Member Secretary brought to the members' notice that, in the syllabus, we have included the regional language as one of the optional papers or electives (Kannada Kali and Kanoonu Kannada) as per the norms of KSLU and to encourage the students to learn Kannada.
- To incorporate the topic of copyright and Artificial Intelligence as a separate unit in the course of the Law of Industrial and Intellectual Property.
- To add components of Contract Drafting and other practical aspects to the courses on the formation of Companies, Capital structure, corporate governance, corporate finance, and investment.

Decision: It was accepted.

Agenda 37.4: Approval of Recommendations of the Finance Committee

The 23rd Finance Committee Meeting was held on June 5, 2023, and the recommendations were placed before the GB members for approval as follows:

- The Fee Structure (College and Hostel) and Budget (2023–24) were placed before the Finance Committee, and they were approved.
- It was resolved to increase fees by around 5% to 10% on a rational basis, depending on the demand for the course and the category based on national and foreign students.

During the deliberations on the above subject, Dr.V.Vijayakumar suggested that increasing fees by 5% to 10% is acceptable. Further, he said that, in view of the BCI and UGC stipulations, there is a need to enhance the staff salary every year to strengthen the faculty and also provide a provision for fee concession to needy students. He also insisted on reserving 1% of the fees for the payment of the Scholarship and other concessions to

deserving students. In this regard Dr. C. G. Betsurmamath suggested including it in the Budget proposal and getting its approval from the Management.

Decision: It was acknowledged and approved.

Agenda 37.5 Results: February 2023

The results, declared in the month of February (the odd semester), and their comparative statistics were placed before the Members. Dr.V.Vijayakumar appreciated the transparency maintained by JSSLC with respect to results, which was also reiterated by other members.

Decision: It was approved.

Agenda 37.6: Half-Yearly Report

The half-yearly report, i.e., the activities conducted from December 2022 to May 2023, was placed before the members. During the deliberations on the submission of the report, it was informed to the members that, for the last six months, we had conducted 118 programme through the various committees, and yearly it includes more than 300 events, including curricular, extracurricular, and other activities. Dr.V.Vijayakumar suggested conducting class activities through Kahoot.org, a free game-based learning platform that makes it fun to learn about any subject. It was informed to the members that we have already been conducting such events through Quiz.com as well as online tests and other quiz events.

Decision: It was acknowledged.

Agenda 37.7 or any other matter with the permission of the Chair

- **Submission of AQAR:201-22**
It was informed to the Members that the Annual Quality Assurance Report is under final preparation and will be submitted by the end of June 2023.
- **IV Cycle of NAAC Re-Accreditation:** It was brought to the members' attention that the college is going for the IV cycle of re-accreditation, and the preparation for the SSR is in progress.
- **Admission for the academic year 2023–24:** Prof. K.S. Suresh informed the members that the admissions for the five-year Law Programme are complete and the three-year LL.B. admission is in Progress and will be completed shortly.
- Dr.V. Vijaykumar suggested that, as part of the Human Rights Day celebration on December 10, we arrange a trip for the students to visit Bylakuppe, a Tibetan

colony near Hunsur. This will help them study human rights issues with special reference to displaced persons and Refugees.

- Dr. V.Vijaykumar suggested that nowadays, students are facing a lot of mental issues, such as stress or depression, and to overcome this, he suggested organizing mental health counseling and health check-ups for the students. Further, it was also suggested by Dr. H.M. Vijayalakshmi, Regional Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Mysore that such camps are badly required for all students and she briefed on the repercussions faced by the students. In this regard, Dr C.G. Betsurmath and Prof. K.S. Suresh informed the members about the mental health awareness camps organised by the JSS MVP covering all the colleges and schools by delegating a team of experts from the Department of Clinical Psychology to give special talks and demonstrations on various mental issues.
- Dr. V.Vijaykumar suggested to organize Cyber Security Programs and suggested to have MoU with National Law schools and KSLU. Further, he suggested procuring software for Arbitration management. In this regard, he assured that he would provide the necessary information and special discourse on the areas of Arbitration.

Decision: It was acknowledged and accepted.

Dr. S. Nataraju, Principal and Member Secretary, proposed the vote of thanks and sought the guidance and support of the members to enhance the academic and curricular performances of the College.
