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Department of Humanities and Sciences

Fifth Board of Studies Meeting Minutes

Date: 28/11/2024

Time: 11.00 am - 12.30 pm

Venue: Board Room

The fifth BOS meeting for the Department of Humanities and Sciences, St. Xavier's Catholic College of Engineering, was conducted on November 28, 2024, at 11.00 am in the Board Room. The meeting began with a prayer by Dr.S.Suhasini, HoD/Chemistry. Dr.J.P.Vidhya, AP/English, delivered the welcome address. Our Principal, Dr. J. Maheswaran, presented an introductory speech. Dr. V. Vijimon Moni, Co-ordinator, Department Humanities and Sciences, presented the Fourth BoS meeting minutes and explained the activities and choices made by each department. The meeting was attended by all Humanities and Sciences department heads and faculty members, as well as the University nominee Dr. T.V. Siva Subramania Pillai and one expert member Dr. S. Monikandan from Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli. Dr R P Anto Kumar, Dean Academics, SXCCE was also present during the meeting and he explained the requirements needed for the curriculum R2026. Our Correspondent Rev.Fr. S.Godwin Selva Justus gave his observation and views. Finally, Dr. J.Mary Vanaja, HoD/English, concluded the meeting with a vote of thanks.

Agenda and Notes

- 05.01. Confirmation of Fourth BoS meeting minutes held on 03/07/2024 and Decision/Action Taken report.
- 05.02. Discussion on the Suggestions / Recommendations offered by the members in the IV Academic Council meeting and the IV Governing Body meeting.
- 05.03. Refinement of existing Curriculum of I year UG for upcoming Regulation
- 05.04. Challenges in 2022 Regulation and Recommendation for R2026

05.05. Other matters if any.

University Nominee for BoS

1. Dr. T.V. Siva Subramania Pillai, Head, Department of Physics, University College of Engineering, Nagercoil.

Expert Members in the Subject from outside the college

Prof. Dr. S. Monikandan, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli.

Principal Dr.J.Maheswaran launched a discussion for refining the existing I-year UG curriculum for the impending Regulation-2026. Dr. T.V. Siva Subramania Pillai, the University nominee and Dr. S. Monikandan, an academic authority gave lot of suggestions. The details are given below.

05.01. Confirmation of Fourth BoS meeting minutes held on 03/07/2024 and Decision/Action Taken report.

Suggestions given by BOS members	Action Taken	Remarks
Dr. T. V. Siva Subramania Pillai, the University nominee gave suggestions for adopting a Minor project for first-year students during the second semester.	In New Regulation 2026 this recommendation may be incorporated.	Accepted
He also proposed selecting three or four brilliant and interested students from each class (for a total of about 40 students) and taking them to visit eminent scientists from major R&D institutes.	A committee members (HODs) have been identified and this can be executed in the academic year 2025–2026.	Suggested to take the students during even semester of 2024-2025, selecting three or four brilliant and eager students from each class based on screening test -80% along with Internal I &II - 20%
Dr. S. Monikandan, an academic expert, advised including Matlab into the first-year curriculum.	It will be considered in upcoming Regulation.	Accepted
He offered that the mathematics theory paper be transformed into a TCP course.	In the first semester of the Regulation 2026, Mathematics can be offered as a TCP course.	Experts suggested implementing this during the formation of new curriculum R2026
He also suggested to take first year students to organizations such as VSSC, Kudunkulam Nuclear Plant, and ISRO to get them motivated.	During second semester First- year students will be taken to such scientific and technical organizations in the 2024–2025 academic year.	Accepted

05.02. Discussion on the Suggestions / Recommendations offered by the members in the IV Academic Council meeting and the IV Governing Body meeting.

The fourth Academic Council meeting of St.Xavier's Catholic College of Engineering was conducted on 13.07.2024 (Saturday) at 10.00 am at Einstein Hall. No Programme specific suggestion was given by the experts.

05.03. Refinement of existing Curriculum of I year UG for upcoming Regulation

- 1) Advised to avoid the overlapping of higher secondary school syllabus with our syllabus.
- 2) Suggested to include Matlab into the first-year curriculum and Mathematics theory paper can be transformed into a TCP course
- 3) Recommended to have a separate language lab for Communicative English course.
- 05.04. Challenges in 2022 Regulation and Recommendation for R2026
 - 1. In R2022 during First semester 24 credit and First semester 27 credits in the second semester. Faculty suggested having maximum 22 credits in First semester.
 - 2. Higher Order Thinking can be handled during Induction Program.

Experts asked to check for the feasibility based on AICTE and Anna university norms

- 3. First semester Engineering Physics and Engineering Chemistry can be converted to Lab cum theory paper.
- 4. First Mathematics can be made as Lab cum theory paper.

Experts suggested implementing this after discussion during the formation of new curriculum R2026



Principal Dr.J.Maheswaran requested that the HoDs and faculty devise a strategy for adopting the experts recommendations.

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Coordinator/H&S
Dr.V.VijimonMoni

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Dr.S.Monikandan (Subject Expert)

Dr.N.Sheen Kumar

HOD Mathematics

Dr.D.Mary Mettalin

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2.	Prof. Dr. S. Monikandan, Head, Department of Mathematics, M S University	28/11/W.
3	Rev Fr. S. Godwin Selva Justus, Correspondent, SXCCE	10 8hur 281 " 2024
4.	Dr. J. Maheswaran, Principal, SXCCE	28-11,24
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