

**Minutes of the Online Board of Studies Meeting in the subject of English, Faculty of Arts**  
**held on 16/02/2021.**

**Members Present:**

1. Dr. Neeta Chakravarty, Chairperson
2. Prof. Mala Pandurang, Principal, Dr BMN College, Matunga
3. Dr. Pratima Das, Associate Professor & Head, Smt. C.H.M. College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Vice-Chancellor's Nominee
4. Dr. Dinesh Kumar, Asso. Professor, V.G. Vaze College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Subject Expert.
5. Dr. Deepak Nanaware, Associate Professor & Head, Solapur University.
6. Ms. Sharmila Jajodia, Faculty, Dept. of English
7. Ms. Maria Shaikh, Faculty, Dept. of English

**Resolutions:**

The following points were resolved by the BOS members at the meeting:

1. The minutes of the previous BOS conducted on August 21, 2020 were confirmed.
2. Leave of absence submitted by Dr. Mandar Talvekar was recorded.
3. Some suggestions received for revamping the credit structure were:
  - a) To seek clarification of credit structure of UG & PG courses from academic council.
  - b) To look into the lopsided credit structure of SYBA with 8 papers and TYBA with only 6 papers. So, it was suggested that additional credits could be incorporated at FYBA and TYBA.
  - c) To explore the possibility of offering Swayam and NPTEL for additional credits.
  - d) Equal distribution of credit points from FYBA to TYBA.
4. Suggestions received for redrafting the syllabus in the next cycle were:
  - a) To design syllabus in line with the overall structure suggested by Academic council in order to maintain uniformity.
  - b) To prepare the structure of papers from FYBA to MA keeping in mind the progressive curriculum.
  - c) To incorporate language components at all levels.
  - d) To introduce Research component in both TYBA and MA.
  - e) To restructure MA curriculum & testing in view of PET, PhD & NET/SET
  - f) Interdepartmental cross disciplinary courses can be conducted as another alternative to Skill enhancement courses.
  - g) Feedback about the present syllabus and suggestions for improvising the syllabus can be taken from alumni and stakeholders.
  - h) FYBA syllabus may be prepared by the Department and can be finalized without waiting for the University of Mumbai syllabus in consultation with the BOS through online platforms. Syllabus to be made lighter at the FYBA level.