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Sub: Constitution of the Board of Studies in Dance-Bharata Natyam of the Maya Somaiya School of Music & Performing Arts (A Constituent Academic Unit of Somaiya Vidyavihar University).

Ref: Clause No. 24 of the First Statutes of Somaiya Vidyavihar University

The Board of Studies in Dance-Bharata Natyam of the Maya Somaiya School of Music & Performing Arts (A Constituent Academic Unit of Somaiya Vidyavihar University) - as approved by the Vice-Chancellor of the Somaiya Vidyavihar University.

(1) The Board of Studies in Dance-Bharata Natyam shall consist of the following members, namely:-

a) The Chairman, Board of Studies

Shri. Pt. Niladri Kumar, Dean, Faculty of Music & Performing Arts, Maya Somaiya School of Music & Performing Arts.

b) Academician – Member

Dr. Sucheta Chapekar - Well known Indian Classical Dancer, Choreographer, Researcher, Sangeet Natak Akademi awardee. Founder of Kalavardhini-dance school. Pioneer to introduce Marathi compositions in Bharata Natyam.

c) Industry – Member

- 1. Smt. Priyadarsini Govind, an internationally renowned Bharata Natyam Dancer, Teacher, Choreographer and former Director Kalakshetra, Chennai conducting workshops across the world specially in padams.*
- 2. Smt. Rama Vaidyanathan, a known name in the field of Bharata Natyam today creating waves with her modern approach and new choreographies.*

d) Research Institute – Member

Dr. Sujatha Mohan - Associate Professor and Research Supervisor – Vel's University, Chennai, Assistant Professor – University of Silicon Andhra, California. And Head of the Department – Natya, Dr. MGR Janaki College, Chennai and Guest Faculty, Sastra University, Chennai.

e) Alumni Industry – Member

f) Faculty – Member (Professor)

Dr. Urmimala Sarkar (Bharata Natyam) – Retired Professor, School of Arts and Aesthetics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi-110 067, India.

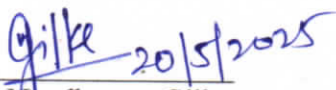
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- g) Faculty – Member (Associate Professor)
Dr. Aadya Kaktikar, Associate Professor, Department of Art, Media and Performance, Shiv Nadar University, Delhi-NCR.
- h) Faculty – Member (Assistant Professor)
Ms. Nandini Krishna, Adjunct Faculty, Bharata Natyam, MSSMPA.
- i) Student – Member

- j) Special Invitee
Mrs. Savita Moghe, Deputy Director, MSSMPA

- (2) The powers and functions of the Board of Studies shall be such as may be specified by the Statutes.
- (3) The Board of Studies shall meet at least twice in every year.
- (4) The quorum for the meetings of the Board of Studies shall be one third of the sitting members.
- (5) Dean, Faculty of Music & Performing Arts, SVU shall be the permanent invitees.
- (6) The term of the Board of Studies will be for three years.

Issued, as approved by the Vice Chancellor


Prof. Nandkumar Gilke
Registrar

To:
All the members

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