

Arul Anandar College (Autonomous) Karumathur, Madurai (Dt).

Student Council Election-2023-24

Report

Date: 01 July 2023

In view of the forthcoming Student Council Election on 1st July 2023 at 8.45 a.m., the following Core Committee members' meeting was held on 20 June 2023 (Monday) at 12.30 p.m. in the Principal's office.

- 1. Rev. Dr. M. Anbarasu SJ, Principal and Election Commissioner
- 2. Dr. A. Duraisingam, Vice-Principal and Jury of Appeal
- 3. Dr. A. Sundararaj, Deputy Principal and Jury of Appeal
- 4. Mr. Justin Kennedy, Vice Principal
- 5. Mr. A. Arockia Maria Michael Raja, the Chief Electoral Officer
- 6. Mr. S. Chandra SekarPandian, Asst. Electoral Officer
- 7. Dr. V. NirmalRajkumar, Dean of Students
- 8. Ms. S. Henri Rita Mary, Dean of Women Students
- 9. Dr. A. Ganesh, Micro Observer cum Counting Officer
- 10. Dr. K. Mangayarkarasi, Asst, Micro Observer cum Counting Officer
- 11. Mr. Charles Ilayaraja, the ERP Coordinator
- 12. Ms. T. Semalatha, Technical Coordinator
- 13. Dr. A. Muthukumar, PRO
- 14. Dr. I. Johnson Stephen, Minutes cum Report Writer

The meeting started at 12.40 p.m. in Fr. Principal's Office with a silent prayer. Rev. Dr. M. Anbarasu SJ, the Principal, welcomed the gathering. Mr. A. Arockia Maria Michael Raja, the Chief Electoral Officer, initiated the meeting. Dr. V. NirmalRajkumar, Dean of Students, proposed the activities of the Election. He said that the Communication, Circular, and everything related to the Student Council Election will be uploaded to the College website and the students can get information through the website. He also proposed that the announcement had to be made on 20 June 2023. The last date for filing Nomination would be 23rd June 2023 and 26th June 2023 would be the last date for the withdrawal. First-year representative is to be selected through the department. The last day canvasing could either be kept at Arrupe Open Auditorium or in the Front Ground.

Mr. Charles Ilayaraja, the ERP Coordinator, said that a few students showed their id cards and cast their votes in the booth which was not allotted for those students last year. But for this time, it should be properly checked. It was decided that if a student lost in the Election can be considered as the representative for the Part V activities. It was decided that the inauguration of the Student Council Election should be kept in an open place.

Rev. Dr. M. Anbarasu SJ, the Principal, decided that the announcement of the Student Council Election will be done on 23rd June 2023. The Nomination is to be done on 26th June 2023 and 27th June 2023 was fixed as the last date for withdrawal from the Election. The date for Mock Poll should be included in the circular. The Principal said that the booth Agents should maintain discipline at the time of Polling. The meeting ended at 1.40 p.m.

In view of the Student Council Election, an Orientation Programme for the Presiding Officers and Polling Officers was given on 28.06.2023, Wednesday at UG Laboratory. Dr. NirmalRajkumar, the Dean of Students, explained the process of the Student Council Election. Mr. A. Arockia Maria Michael Raja, the Chief Electoral Officer, showed the demo for the Presiding officers and all the Presiding officers clarified their doubts.

Election Campaign for both Shift I and II was held on 30.6.2023 at Aruppe Open Auditorium. The Campaign started at 12.45 p.m. Rev. Dr. M. Anbarasu S.J., the Principal, welcomed all the candidates and the students. He read out the rules and regulations to be followed both by the Candidates and the students on the day of the Election. He insisted on the following two points to be avoided:

- 1. Sticking bills, Posters, and banners in unnecessary places.
- 2. Use of Crackers on the day of the Student Council Election.

It was also insisted that if any student is found to use the crackers as a way of celebrating the victory, the concerned department is not eligible to nominate its students for the Student Council Election for the upcoming three academic years.

Dr. A. Sundarraj, Deputy Principal and the Jury of Appeal, felicitated the Campaign. He wished all the candidates and their supporters to behave gently with the rival candidates. Dr. A. Ganesh, the Counting Officer invited all the candidates to propagandize. All the candidates were given three minutes each. Thirteen candidates from Shift I contested for various posts, such as,

- 1. Fine Arts Secretary
- 2. Women's Secretary
- 3. Sports Secretary
- 4. Day-Scholar Representative
- 5. Third Year UG Representative
- 6. Second-Year UG Representative

All the candidates propagandized and the Election Campaign for Shift I ended by 1.25 p.m.

A Separate meeting was held in Fr. Principal's office for the core committee members of the Student Council Election at 1.40. p.m. on 30.06.2023 to brief the Election Process. Fr. Principal started the discussion. The following outcome arrived at the result of this meeting:

- 1. The Presiding and Polling Officers must be present on the Campus by 8.00 a.m. on the day of the Student Council Election.
- 2. The lately admitted first-year students as of 30.6.2023 would be allowed to cast their votes in the respective Booth.
- 3. Booth Agents would be allowed to cast their votes first and others could cast later.
- 4. Inauguration of the Student Council Election by Officials must be done by 9.00 a.m. on the day of the Election.
- 5. Mock Poll would be conducted between 3.45 p.m. and 4.20 p.m. on 30.06.2023 at UG Laboratory.

Dr. A. Duraisingam talked about the general discipline of the students on the day of the Election. He insisted on the following points:

- 1. Police must be standing outside of the college.
- 2. Staff members must be scattered around the campus to look after the students' discipline.
- 3. Crackers must be avoided inside and outside of the campus.
- 4. Putting Garland on any of the statues must also be avoided.
- 5. A separate committee must be formed to take care of the discipline.
- 6. HoDs and Officials are also to be included in looking after the discipline.

Room No. 113 in Britto Block was fixed for counting the votes. Rev. Fr. Innaci John SJ., the Vice-Principal, put forth the idea of minute by minute events schedule had to be prepared on the day of the Election. It was also decided that the Electrician would stand near the Generator and no student would be allowed to enter the campus after 9.00 a.m. The meeting ended at 2.10 p.m.

Mock Poll was conducted on 30.6.2023 at UG Laboratory by 3.45 p.m. All the constants of both shifts eagerly participated in the Mock Poll and checked the Electronic machine. The following members were present in the Lab during the time of the Mock Poll:

- 1. Dr. A. Sundararaj, Deputy Principal and Jury of Appeal
- 2. Dr. A. Duraisingam, Vice-Principal and Jury of Appeal
- 3. Rev. Fr. Innaci John SJ., Vice Principal
- 4. Mr. A. Arockia Maria Michael Raja, the Chief Electoral Officer
- 5. Mr. S. Chandra SekarPandian, Asst. Electoral Officer
- 6. Dr. V. NirmalRajkumar, Dean of Students

- 7. Dr. A. Ganesh, Micro Observer cum Counting Officer
- 8. Dr. K. Mangayarkarasi, Asst, Micro Observer cum Counting Officer
- 9. Mr. Charles Ilayaraja, the ERP Coordinator
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The result of the Mock Poll was displayed in front of all the candidates and they were satisfied. After looking into the result all the Electronic machines were emptied and locked up in front of the Candidates. 14 Booths were fixed for polling. Dr. A. Sundarraj, the Deputy Principal, wished the candidates and stressed the following:

- 1. Punctuality of the students.
- 2. Canvasing the students after 8.00 a.m. on the day of the Election must be avoided.
- 3. All the Candidates will be shown the results.
- 4. Unnecessary deeds by the candidates and the supporters of the candidates must be avoided.

Dr. A. Duraisingam, the Vice-Principal, wished the candidates and reminded them about the rules to be followed by the candidates. He also stressed the following:

- 1. Acceptance of Win or Lose by the candidates.
- 2. Putting the garlands on the statues must be avoided.
- 3. Banners and posters must be removed before the announcement of the results.

Rev. Fr. Innasi John SJ., also stressed the rules to be followed on the day of the Election. Dr. V. NirmalRajkumar insisted on the following points:

- 1. Candidates and the booth agents must be present at 8.00 a.m.
- 2. No distribution of pamphlets to the students on the day of the Election.
- 3. Canvassing must be stopped before 8.00 a.m.
- 4. The exchange of booth agents from one booth to the other is not allowed.
- 5. Canvasing the students outside of the college campus must be avoided.
- 6. The Mock Poll ended by 4.25 p.m.

The Election Campaign for Shift II was held on 30.06.2023 at Aruppe Open Auditorium by 5.10 p.m. Rev. Dr. Rev. Dr. M. Anbarasu S.J., the Principal, welcomed all the candidates and the students. He read out the rules and regulations to be followed both by the Candidates and the students on the day of the Election. He insisted on fair election and the avoidance of Crackers inside and outside of the campus.

It was also insisted that if any student is found to use the crackers as a way of celebrating the victory, the concerned department is not eligible to nominate its students for the Student Council Election for the upcoming three academic years.

Dr. A. Sundarraj, Deputy Principal and the Jury of Appeal, felicitated the Campaign. He wished all the candidates and their supporters to behave gently with the rival candidates. He insisted that the Election is to be held in an Electronic machine. He also stated that the Student Council Election can be taken as a practice for Politics. He stated that the bar code would be given to first-year students and it could be used to cast their votes.

Dr. Mangayarkarasi, Assistant Counting Officer, invited all the candidates to propagandize. All the candidates were given three minutes each. Eight candidates from Shift II contested for various posts, such as,

- 1. Fine Arts Secretary
- 2. Women's Secretary
- 3. Sports Secretary
- 4. Day-Scholar Representative

Dr. V. NirmalRajkumar, Dean of Students, proposed a vote of thanks. The Election Campaign for Shift II ended by 6.00 p.m.

The Student Council Election was inaugurated by Rev. Dr. M. Anbarasu SJ on July 1st 2023 at 9.00 am. 14 Booths were arranged for the students for the smooth and successful conduct of the Election. Students cast their votes in their respective Booths and chose their representatives. All the candidates were asked to assemble in Room No. 113 for the result and they were informed to remove their posters and banners before the announcement of the result.

The counting was done in the presence of Rev. Fr. Rector, Rev. Fr. Secretary, Rev. Fr. Principal, counting Officers, and other officials. It was decided that in case of a tie between two candidates, a Lot would be taken and all the candidates accepted this norm. The counting was over by 11.30 a.m. and the winners were asked to put their signatures.

Rev. Fr. Principal thanked all the core committee members involved in the successful conduct of the Student Council Election: Rev. Fr. Innaci John SJ, invited all the officials to announce the result for various posts.

- ➤ Dr. NirmalRajkumar announced Mr. Bergin John (22RDS501) as the PG Representative for Shift I.
- ➤ Dr. A. DuraiSingam announced Mr. P. Panakodi (23RDS114) as the UG Representative for Shift I.

- ➤ Mr. Justin Kennedy announced Mr. V. Santhosh (22RDS143) as the Second Year UG Representative for Shift I and Mr. R. Vendimuthaiya (22COM178) as the Second Year UG Representative for Shift II.
- ➤ Ms. Arockia Juliet announced Mr. J. Ajay Pindo (21MAT106) as the Third Year Representative for Shift I and Mr. M.H. Naveen Madhavan (21BBA130) as the Third Year Representative for Shift II.
- ➤ Dr. A. Sundarraj announced Mr. P. Ramachandran (21RDS136) as the Day-scholar Representative for Shift I and Mr. C.R. Rahul (21COM142) as the Day-scholar Representative for Shift II.
- ➤ Rev. Dr. Antony Samy SJ, the Secretary announced Ms. M. Monika Indra (21CHE149) as the Girls' Representative for Shift I and Ms. A. Ramya (21COM157) as the Girls' Representative for Shift II.
- ➤ Rev. Dr. John Pragasam SJ, announced Mr. R. Harish (21RDS115) as the Sports Secretary for Shift I and Mr. C. Sundar (21PED183) as the Sports Secretary for Shift II.
- ➤ Rev. Dr. M. AnbarasuSJ, announced Mr. S. BharaniDharan (21RDS105) as the Fine Arts Secretary for Shift I and Mr. J. Sridhar (21COM275) as the Fine Arts Secretary for Shift II.

The Student Council Election came to an end at 11.50 a.m. and all the Officials and the staff members involved in disciplining the students guided them to their homes.

Chief Electoral Officer

Dean of Students

Principal Worker



ARUL ANANDAR COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), KARUMATHUR – 625 514, MADURAI DISTRICT

REPORT ON A TWO-DAY LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAMME

Day – 1 (06/07/2023) LEADERSHIP IS AN ACTION, NOT A POSITION

11 July, 2023

Dean of Students and IQAC jointly organized A Two-Day Leadership Training Programme entitled *Learn to Lead* for Students Council, Association Secretaries, Department Secretaries and Part V Secretaries on 06th and 07th July, 2023.

Inauguration:

Rev. Dr John Pragasam SJ, Rector, Rev. Dr. Antony Samy SJ, Secretary, Rev. Dr. Anbarasu SJ, Principal, Dr V. Nirmal Rajkumar, Dean of Students and Ms. Henri Rita Mary, Dean of Women Students were present in the inauguration of A Two-Day Leadership Training Programme entitled Learn to Lead. Dr. P. Xavier, Convener welcomed the gathering followed by Rev. Dr. John Pragasam SJ, Rector, who felicitated and encouraged the students to become responsible leaders of the nation. Followed by Dr. M. Gilbert Rani, Coordinator of Soft Skills acknowledged the gratitude for the dignitaries and the participants of the programme. In addition, Rev. Dr. Anbarasu SJ, Principal addressed the dimension of the two-day training programme and encouraged the students to actively participate. Then Dr. Nivetha Martin handled the Ice Breaking session, through which the participants were able to comprehend what the programme was about and started their active and keen participation.

Session - 1: Skills for Effective Leadership-Dr. C. Justin David

Dr. C. Justin David, Assistant Professor, Department of Rural Development and Sciencesharedthe very first session of the first day. He stressed various effective leadership skills by explaining how true leaders lead throughan exemplary life. Then how experiences make an effective leader. A true leader never could be aimless in their reigns. And some of the unique features were highlighted by very effective points like, A Leader must set an example and must also inspire, Leaders have always evolved from poor backgrounds, the Vision of the leader is to create unity in diversity, true leaderswill always seek for opportunities and they will utilize them,

Leaders will be open to receive feedback. They were an important feature of Effective Leadership Skills. Followed by Dr. Justin emphasized Leadership Styles: they were, Autocratic, Democratic, Free reign, and Paternalistic. In addition, he has pointed out Leadership Qualities like Ability to communicate, Loyalty, Judgement, Selflessness, Ability to solve a problem, Openness to change, Balance, Knowledge, Honesty, Will Power, Courageous and a Visionary outlook. With a very broad idea of the title, Dr. Justin David delivered his expertise to the students.

Session -2 Transformational Leadership—Rev.Fr. InnaciJohn SJ

The second session of the first day was shared by Rev Fr Innaci John SJ, Vice Principal entitled Transformational Leadership. He focused on how a leader should transform according to the need of the situation. He mentioned gladly a few greatest leaders of all time namely Martin Luther King Junior, Mahatma Gandhi, Abraham Lincoln and Mother Teresa. Those leaders were positively influential even now. They could change others' lives because they had a vision. Ultimately, he emphasized that if a leader aims to change the world, he must begin changing himself, and only then one can change others.

Session - 3: Leadership Approaches - Sr. Dr. Mary Lowrencia

Sr. Dr. Lowrencia, Assistant Professor, Department of English handled the third session of the day. She shuffled the students into six groups for some activities to encourage the students to be effectively motivated. Then her session stressed upon a few points that were, thinking out of the box makes a leader, a leader must never nurture conflicts among the group members, a leader must be ever open to listening to the opinions of the group members, a leader must be highly strategically and must be efficient in managing time, and finally, added her session more effectively that without cooperation, there will not be coordination. Without these two, there will be no success. A leader must never imitate, rather he must create his own way of leading. Knowing the people under him/her, the ability to make quick decisions, etc... Will make an effective leader. With very effective points she conducted her practical session and she raised her curiosity about the programme through her activities.

Session- 5: Uniqueness of Leadership - Dr. V. Nirmal Rajkumar

Dr. V. Nirmal Rajkumar, Assistant Professor, and Department of Economics delivered his session on Uniqueness of Leadership, he handled the session effectively. He highlighted a few points like everybody is a leader, and the three qualities of a leader are **Authenticity**, **Empathy and Adaptively**. And aunique leader should not be an authoritative person, he must serve his members. He should fight till the end. Then he shared the qualities of a unique leader, they are, Perseverance, Patience, Creativity, Thinking differently and efficacious execution, Discerning

ability, Sacrificial, Consoling and recognizing his group members, Not breaking the momentum, Making a path. Making one where there is none. With very effective points he discussed the title of the session.

Session-6:Role-Play: Gateway to Leadership Development - Mr. J. Keba Immanuel and Dr. K. Mangayarkarasi

The final session of the first day was conducted by Mr. J. Keba Immanuel, Assistant Professor, Department of English Language and Literature and Dr. K. Mangayarkarasi, Assistant Professor, Department of Business Administration conducted a survey by shattering a few titles among the groups and the students were asked to write down a few points that were supposed to associate the given title and explain them too on the dice.

Day - 2 (07/07/2023)

Session - 1& 2: Straight Facts - Direct Interventions- Rev. Fr. Francis Jayapathy SJ

Rev. Fr. Jayapathy SJ along with his team members consisting of Rev Fr John Paul SJ, A professor and a student shared the first session of the second day of the programme. Rev Fr shared his own life and experience that he was an alcoholic patient. He was cured with the help of treatment. Now he is helping such alcoholic patients through treatments and counselling as he runs a rehabilitation centre. He said that alcohol is not harmful. However, excessive intake will lead to unhappiness and incurable illness. Then he stressed that drug addiction is an illness and a patient. He also shared with us the transforming journey of a young adult. It was a really astonishing and live session. Meanwhile, A professor and Rev Fr John Paul SJ delivered the importance future of youngsters and their service to the public.

Session - 3: Leadership 5.0 - Dr. M. Gilbert Rani

Dr. M. Gilbert Rani, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics delivered her session on Leadership 5. 0. Reading books on leadership will never make a leader. It is merely an experience which makes a leader. A book can never teach what an experience could teach. Some of the important features of her session were, a leader must be analytical, originally imaginative and passionately spirited, a leader must master the context, align the competencies, construct the characters of everyone and must create connections, A leader must know where to go, when to start and when to stop. A leader should be like a lion. A leader must work hard. Unity can solve any kind of problem. A leader must listen keenly and communicate effectively and he has to be authentic, mindful and sociable. Her deliberate and energetic share slides and Videos made enthused the students.

Session: 4 Resilient Leadership - Dr. S. Abirami and Dr. I. Pradeepa.

Dr. S. Abirami, Assistant Professor, Department of Rural Development Science, and **Dr. I. Pradeepa**, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics conducted a technical session with some effective activities to become a resilient leader. Their organization was well received and enjoyed thoroughly by the students and they had become resilient leaders.

Valedictory:

Rev. Dr. Antony Samy SJ, Secretary, Rev. Dr. Anbarasu SJ, Principal, Dr. A. Sundarraj, Deputy Principal, Dr. V. Nirmal Rajkumar, Dean of Students and Ms. Henri Rita Mary, Dean of Women Students participated in the valedictory. Dr. P. Xavier, the Convener, welcomed the gathering. Rev. Dr. Antony Samy SJ, Secretary, who delivered his remarkable valedictory address followed by Dr. A. Sundarraj, Deputy Principal encouraged the students to become great and responsible leaders. To acknowledge the gratitude of the students, Rev Fr Secretary and Deputy Principal distributed the certificates to all the student council and secretaries of the programme. Ms. Henri Rita Mary, Dean of Women Students, delivered the gratitude address of the gathering.

Dr. P. Xavier

Convener

Dr. V. Nirmal Rajkumar

Dean of Students

Rev. Dr. M. Anbarasu SJ

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Principal



ARUL ANANDAR COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), KARUMATHUR MADURAI DT

Report on Inauguration of Student's Council & All Associations 2023-24

Date: 12.07.2023

Arul Anandar College is an avenue of opportunities for the student community to grow with excellence. One of the best practices of our college is **Democratic Digital Student Election.** The liberty of electing the student representatives is highly facilitated by the management and well exercised by the faculty members. The most pivotal event of our college is the inauguration of Student's council & All Associations which took place on 12 July 2023 after the successful completion of Two days of Leadership Training programme.

The parade of student leaders with Reverent fathers, officials and distinguished chief guest served as a fabulous treat for the audience. The programme commenced with divine vibes and homage tunes to mother Tamil. Rev.Dr.M.Anbarasu S.J, Principal welcomed the gathering and delivered the felicitation address. Democracy, Egalitarian society, participatory in social development are the key elements of his speech. Rev. Dr. B.JohnPragasam S.J, Rector and Rev. Dr.A.AntonySamy S.J, Secretary presided the oath taking ceremony. Rev.Dr.M.Anbarasu S.J, Principal and Dr.A.Sundararaj adorned the elected representatives with sashes. Rev.Fr.Rector&Rev.Fr.Secretaryhonoured the chief guest Mr.K.Ponnusamy, DSP, Railway Branch, Madurai with memento and shawl.

Dr.I.Pradeepa, the convener of the programme introduced the chief guest to the gathering. The esteemed chief guest in his presidential address shared his experience and the struggles of his life, also he motivated the students to aspire for civil service exams.

Rev.Fr.Rector and Rev.Fr.Secretaryhonoured the chief electoral officers of the student election 2023, conveners of leadership training programme & student's council inauguration programme.

The women secretary of Shift I delivered the vote of thanks and the programme ended with national anthem. The Dean for students' affairs Dr.V.NirmalRajkumar and his team executed the programme in a grand manner.

Dr. I. Pradeep

Convener

Dr. V. Nirmal Rajkumar

Dean of Students

Rev. Dr. M. Anbarasu SJ

Principal