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Dr. Pranay Chaudhuri, Member Secretary

7.4.2012
MINUTES OF THE TWENTYNINTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON SATURDAY, THE 7\textsuperscript{th} APRIL, 2012 IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE INSTITUTE

Members Present:

- Shri Vishambhar Saran \textit{in the Chair}
- Shri Prahlad Rai Agarwala
- Shri Vikram Swarup
- Shri H.P. Budhia
- Prof. (Dr.) Biswapati Chatterjee
- Prof. (Dr.) Sekhar Bhattacharyya
- Prof. (Dr.) Subhasish Majumder
- Prof. (Dr.) S. Sengupta
- Prof. (Dr.) Pranay Chaudhuri \textit{Member-Secretary}

Special Invitees present

- Shri H.K. Chaudhary
- Shri Naraian Prasad Dalmia
- Shri Dayaram Agarwal
- Shri Probir Roy
- Shri P. K. Agarwal
- Prof. B.B. Paire
- Prof. (Dr.) Dulal Ch. Ray
- Prof. (Dr.) Sambhunath Biswas
- Prof. (Dr.) Aloke Kumar Sen
- Prof. (Dr.) Sobhen Ray

Leave of Absence was granted to:

- Shri Sajjan Bhajanka
- Shri M. K. Jalan
- Prof. (Dr.) Sajal Dasgupta
- Regional Officer, AICTE
- Shri S.B. Ganguly

After granting leave of absence as mentioned above, ‘OM’ was chanted for three times. Chairman then offered warm welcome to Shri H.K. Chaudhary, the new Chairman, KBT, Shri Vikram Swarup, new Vice Chairman, KBT and also to Prof.(Dr.) Biswapati Chatterjee, newly inducted in the BOG as a State Govt. Nominee. The agenda items were then taken up for consideration as follows.

Agenda No. 1: \textbf{Confirmation of the Minutes of the 28\textsuperscript{th} Meeting of the BOG held on 03.12.2011}

Minutes of the 28\textsuperscript{th} Meeting of the BOG held on 03.12.2011 were duly circulated. Since no comments were received, these were confirmed.

Agenda No. 2: \textbf{Action taken report on the resolutions/decisions made in the last meeting}

The BOG noted and approved the action taken report in respect of decisions taken in the previous meeting.
Agenda No. 3:  

To consider a report on TEQIP-II

The BOG approved the report including modified Procurement Plan for Works and Goods during 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14 and Institutional Budget as also revised Training Schedule as submitted to SPFU. The BOG empowered the Principal to further modify any of the above, if required, to be ratified by the BOG in a subsequent meeting. The BOG also approved the following International travels utilizing TEQIP grant:

1. Dr. Sreedhara Gupta, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Chemistry  
   Name of the Seminar: International Symposium on Parasitology  
   Organized by : TROP Unit, de Duve Institute, Brussels, Belgium  
   Status of the paper : Accepted  
   Date of symposium : June 8-9, 2012

2. Dr. Srabanti Basu, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Biotechnology  
   Name of the Seminar : Eco Summit 2012  
   Organized by : University of Ohio & Ecological Society of America  
   Status of the paper : Accepted  
   Date of the Summit : September 30 – October 5, 2012

Agenda No. 4:  

To consider a proposal for due recognition of members of faculty and staff as well as students for excellence

The BOG approved the proposal as under:

→ For faculty & staff
   • Value : INR 10,000/- each and a certificate  
     Award categories :
     -- Outstanding teaching  
     -- Outstanding research accomplishments  
     -- Outstanding service to HITK community  
     -- Outstanding contribution to public service, to include the private sector and the non-government community  
     -- All round excellent performance in a combination of 2 or more of the above areas.

→ For students
   • Medals to be awarded under the following categories :
     Topper  
     -- In every discipline for B.Tech.  
     -- One covering all M.Tech. programmes  
     -- One for MBA  
     -- One for MCA
Topper of Toppers covering all disciplines (B.Tech.)

Best overall performance based on academic performance as well as leadership potential and service to the Institute/community, subject to good conduct and regular attendance in classes and in other academic activities.

→ Award ceremony

Awards to be presented at an award ceremony specially organized for the purpose, preferably on the Institute Foundation Day.

Agenda No. 5: **To consider a report on the activities of the Institute since the last meeting**

The BOG noted and approved the activities of the Institute during the period under report and congratulated the Institute for securing AICTE approval in respect of all the new programmes (introduction as well as increase in intake) applied for AY 2012-2013.

The Executive Director pointed out the problem of release of FDR by AICTE because of a pending court case regarding ragging although AICTE Expert Committee, after visiting the Institute and making necessary enquiry, concluded that it was not a case of ragging.

In response to a query made by one of the members as to the benefits of accreditation, it was clarified that accreditation had helped the Institute to receive funds under various projects (MODROBS, RPS, Travel Grant, IIPC, EDC etc.), besides approval in respect of increase in intake in accredited courses by the AICTE. It was also pointed out that accreditation of more than 50% programmes was a pre-requisite for receiving TEQIP Grant.

The Govt. Nominee suggested that attempt should be made to improve the results of students so that a larger number falls under the category of SGPA/YGPA>8.

Agenda No. 6: **To report on the appointments and resignations since the last meeting**

The BOG considered and approved the appointments of persons on the basis of recommendations of the respective Selection Committee(s) constituted for the purpose as well as cases of resignation, since the last meeting held on 03.12.2011.
Agenda No. 7:

To consider a report on International Collaboration

The BOG approved the signing of MOU with the University of Massachusetts, Lowell, USA for a variety of joint academic and educational activities such as:

-- Summer undergraduate experiences;

-- Dual degree programs where selected HITK students on completion of their B.Tech. degree will be able to proceed to UML to complete their MS;

-- Faculty and student exchanges and opportunities for paid internships;

-- Cooperation in academic and research programs in nanotechnology and bioengineering, including joint Ph.D. programs;

Agenda No. 8:

To consider a proposal for registration with AICTE for conducting vocational education programmes

The BOG approved the proposal for registration with AICTE for conducting vocational education programmes to cover the following sectors in areas of E&T and Management:

- Information Technology
- Telecommunications
- Construction
- Marketing

Agenda No. 9:

To consider a report on the progress of construction activities

The BOG expressed satisfaction at the progress of construction activities.

Agenda No. 10:

To consider a report on training and placement activities

Mr. R. A. Swaminathan, newly joined TPO, was introduced to the BOG members. He presented before the BOG his vision and future plans for the Training & Placement Cell, as requested, which was well appreciated.

Agenda No. 11:

Any other matter with the permission of the Chair

a) One of the members enquired about holding of the next Science Congress. It was intimated by the Executive Director that it would be held in Kolkata but because of certain complaints received by the PMO against holding the Congress in the premises of a private institution, the University of Calcutta, although very keen to have HIT with them, was in the look out for a new partner which was not decided till date.
b) The Chairman pointed out the importance of the quality of our placement and suggested that a comparison should be drawn up with other private engineering colleges regarding the packages offered. He also emphasized the need for strengthening the efforts by involving not only the Principal and members of faculty but also the Trustees, if required. HOD, CSE suggested that attempt should be made to bring companies such as Google, Yahoo, Amazon and the like offering 8 to 9 lacs package, although to a limited number of students.

c) The Govt. nominee appreciated the initiative of the Institute in sponsoring a large number of faculty members for attending various programmes but, at the same time, requested to see that classes are not hampered.

d) The Chairman, KBT suggested that a R&D wing should be set up to coordinate the R&D activities of the Institute including study of introduction of new technology. In this context, the Govt. nominee suggested that since two semesters are available to postgraduate students for research project, the possibility of engaging them for this purpose might be explored.

There being no other item, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Confirmed

Vishambhar Saran
Chairman
Board of Governors

Prof. (Dr.) P. Chaudhuri
Member Secretary
Board of Governors