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Minutes of 10th Board of Governors Meeting

Date: 19/11/2016 Venue: Conference Room, Admin-block

Time: 3.00 to 6.00 p.m.

- Dr. G.J. Vala greeted all BoG members and Dr. C. H. Vithalani presented the Action Taken Report prepared in accordance with the suggestions received during the 9th BoG meeting.
- 2. The issue of the fees for the Center of Excellence courses was discussed in detail. The institute has to raise fund for the maintenance of the center. Presently, only the students of our institute are taking advantage of these courses and that too free of cost. Therefore, no revenue is generated. Fees can only be collected from the outside students. The chairman and the mentor emphasized on the advertisement and publicity of the courses. They suggested that public awareness should be developed for these courses.
- 3. Regarding the suggestion of taking Rs. 500=00 from every student of our institute as CoE fees, the chairman told that it can be decided only after talking to the other CoEs, getting sanction from State Government
- 4. Obtaining UGC Autonomy requires permanent affiliation from the Gujarat Technological University (GTU). Dr. Sachin Parikh informed to the BoG that GTU cannot give permanent affiliation to any college as it itself is not given permanent affiliation by UGC because of some telling issues.
- 5. Dr. Vithalani informed the BoG that the TEQIP II program is extended till March, 2017. Even the procurement can be done up to 31st January, 2017. The institute can spend 5.5 crore rupees and 55% of total interest earned from the TEQIP fund for procurement.
- 6. Prof.G.B. Pithva presented additional procurement plan of 11 Lakh. BoG granted the new procurement plan of Rs. 11,00,000 to purchase the furniture for the principal office, Xerox machine and printer for library, instruments for RAC laboratory and instruments for Applied Mechanics Department. BoG permitted purchase of consumable items, stationary, expenditure for maintenance of equipments, design and printing of institute brochure from IOC component.
- 7. The issue of zero deficiency with reference to NBA criteria was discussed. Without getting autonomy, the problem cannot be solved. The chairman agreed to take the matter of autonomy to the competent authority for consideration. He asked the principal to prepare the required documents for the same along with the proposal for autonomy.
- 8. Prof. H. I. Joshi, Nodal officer of Faculty and Staff development put forward the matter of the travelling bills of the faculty members who went IIT, Mandi (Himachal Pradesh) for a customized training. The issue of permitting the faculty members for air travel was elaborately discussed. The BoG decided not to make a general decision but to go case by case.
- 9. The post-facto approval was accorded to travel by air to the faculty members for attending the training at IIT, Mandi. That was a customized training on the application of differential equation in various engineering branches. The BoG recommends that their travelling bills may be settled accordingly.
- 10. The BoG was informed about the amount laying unspent with IPR (Research), KCG (Curriculum Development) and IITGen (Training). The fund transferred to KCG was

considered as spent in the previous FMR as per the instruction of the CTE office. How to take that fund back without causing trouble in the settlement of the account is an issue causing unrest. The BoG recommended that the fund as well as the interest is to be brought back through the CTE office. That amount can be utilized in different ways.

- 11. The mentor and Prof. B.L. Swami suggested preparing the placement data by adding the numbers of campus placement, pool campus placement, off campus placement and entrepreneurs. They suggested to invite local companies for campus interview.
- 12. Prof. Swami asked to prepare an effective brochure of the institute and get it printed. He asked to build teams of the students of various branches and send them to meet the human resource development officers of the different companies. Brochures and small presentations by the selected teams would attract companies for arranging campus interviews. He also asked to send students for internship.
- 13. The mentor suggested to invite Infosys and other companies for expert talk on personality development and placement opportunities. He also strongly suggested to give counselling facility to the first year students. He asked to invite experts for psychological counselling
- 14. The mentor appreciated the efforts of the faculty members for research paper publication. He also praised the attempts of the institute to encourage the faculty members for Ph. D.
- 15. The head of all the departments gave presentations about their department procurement and activities. They also discussed their future plans briefly. The mentor suggested that the best practices of all the departments should be shared with all. The BoG emphasized on progressive planning by each department for next three to five years. Each department should prepare micro plans to be implemented in near future.
- 16. Chairman briefed all members about the visit of Prof. P.R. Dave as inquiry officer regarding indiscipline behavior and insubordination of Prof. U.V. Shah (Associate Prof. I.C. Engineering) in which the chairman himself was presented for the said inquiry. The board took note of the views and recommendations as presented before the BoG pertaining to indiscipline behavior of Prof. U. V. Shah viz (1) insubordination by not discharging expected duties as house-keeping convener (2) disobeying official orders (3) baseless allegation against principal. In order to maintain absolute discipline in the institute, this board hereby resolves that necessary disciplinary actions be initiated against Prof. U. V. Shah at the earliest.
- 17. The chairman talked about 'Industry 4.0'. It is the new buzz word for industry referring to the fourth industrial revolution. He suggested to organize a programme for the students to create awareness about it. GECR can become the first in India to introduce such a concept to students.
- 18. All agreed on putting forward the demand for non-teaching staff for all the departments.
- 19. The chairman emphasized on developing presentation skills (for faculty members). He asked to prepare focus presentations having SWOT analysis of each department. According to him, it is less necessary to talk about what you have, than to discuss, what you are doing or what you will do. Future planning with major constraints should be presented. He also mention that vision and mission statements are very important and asked to arrange a special programme for framing the vision and mission statements.

Member Secretary Principal

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Members present:

Sr. No.	Name	Designation	Position in BoG
1	Shri P.G. Jadeja	CEO, Jyoti CNC Automation, Rajkot	Chairman
2	Dr. G.J. Vala	Principal, GEC Rajkot	Member secretary
3	Prof. B.L. Swami	Professor, MNIT Jaipur	AICTE Nominee
4	Prof. N.C. Shivaprakash	Professor, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore	Mentor of Institute
5	Dr. Sachin Parikh	Professor, Chemical Engineering, L.D. College of Engineering, Ahmedabad	Member
6	Dr. C.H. Vithalani	Professor & Head of E.C. Department, TEQIP Coordinator	Member
7	Prof. G.B. Pithva	Associate Prof. & Head of Mechanical Engineering	Member
8	Prof. M.P. Jani	Associate Prof. & Head of IC Department	
9	Prof. B.B. Kuchhadia	Associate Professor, Mechanical Engineering, Nodal officer Finanace	Invitee
10	Prof. P.I. Bhatt	Associate Professor, Applied Mechanics, Nodal officer IOC	Invitee
11	Prof. A.M. Joshi	Associate Professor, Civil Engineering, Nodal officer IMCE	Invitee
12	Prof. K.S. Patel	Associate Professor, Computer Engineering, Nodal officer MIS	Invitee
13	Prof. H.I. Joshi	Associate Professor, Mechanical Engineering, Nodal officer, Training	Invitee
14	Prof. Sanghmitra Bhatt	Assistant Professor, Humanities and Science, Nodal officer Research	Invitee
15	Prof. S.R. Upadhyay	Assistant Professor, English	Invitee
16	Mr. Kishan Ramani	Project Fellow, TEQIP	Invitee

Following members could not attend the BoG meeting.

[1] Nominee from Gujarat Technological University, Ahmedabad

[2] Nominee from Commissionerate of Technical Education, Gandhinagar

[3] Shri Sachde Deepak V (Member, Industry representative)

[4] Prof. C. D. Sankhavara (Member, Academician)