MINUTES OF THE 29th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

HELD ON

Thursday, 23rd April 2015



INDIAN INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DESIGN AND MANUFACTURING KANCHEEPURAM



भारतीय सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी,अभिकल्पना एवं विनिर्माण संस्थान,कांचीपुरम Indian Institute of Information Technology, Design and Manufacturing, Kancheepuram

Minutes of the 29th Meeting of the Board of Governors held at 11.30 A.M. on Thursday, 23rd April 2015, at Board Room, IIITDM Kancheepurm, Chennai – 600 127.

Members Present

Prof M S Ananth	and the an	Chairman
Prof Bhaskar Ramamurthi		Member
Prof S Narayanan		Member
Lt Gen (Retd) K R Rao		Member
Shri Alok Mishra		Represented Director, (ICR)
Prof R Gnanamoorthy		Member & Secretary i/c

Shri D P Prasad, Prof David Koilpillai, Shri B S Raghavan, Shri T K Ramachandran, Shri Krishna G V Giri, Dr S S Mantha and Shri B Santhanam have expressed their inability to attend the meeting and, accordingly, leave of absence was granted. Shri A Manickavasagam, Secretary, Building and Works Committee, attended the meeting as an Invitee.

General Discussion

The Chairman welcomed the members to the Meeting. Prof. R Gnanamoorthy, Director, briefed the members about the functioning of the Institute including pace of construction of various civil works and recent activities happened in the Institute.

The Board while deliberating the annual accounts had enquired about the Corpus fund of the Institute, since the Corpus fund will help the Institute in meeting expenditure that requires extra-budgetary support including grant for research, Faculty/Student

personality development etc. Board recognised the fact that a new Institute cannot build a Corpus Fund through alumni and other donations. The Board suggested that the Institute may put up a proposal to the Ministry about apportioning certain percentage of tuition fee received for a limited period to help create a Corpus fund. Further the Board also suggested that the Institute may explore the possibility of getting the CSR funds from the Corporate Institutions for its development.

The Board also suggested that IIITDM look at the possibility of tapping more solar energy to reduce the electricity cost though the same will require additional capital cost. The Board discussed the vacancy position of the faculty in the Institute and advised the Institute to carry out faculty recruitment through Rolling advertisement and frequent advertisements.

The Board members also expressed the importance of soft skills improvement for the students and suggested that the Institute take additional measures to improve the soft skills of its graduates.

Prof. R. Gnanamoorthy, Director informed the Board that his tenure as Director of the Institute is ending on 04th May 2015. The Chairman and other members of the Board thanked him and placed on record their appreciation of his excellent service as Director and for his invaluable contributions to the Institute.

Item No. 1: Action taken on earlier Minutes of the Meeting		
1.1	Confirmation of Minutes of 28 th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 29 th January 2015	
	The Minutes of the 28 th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 29 th January	
Resolution	2015 were circulated to all members of the Board. No comments were received	
No.4 /2015	from the Board members.	
	The Board RESOLVED to confirm the Minutes of 28 th Meeting.	

1.2	Action Taken Report on the Minutes of 28 th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 29 th Jan 2015
	The Board was informed about the implementation of Proposal of Honorarium to
	examiners for evaluation of Ph. D. thesis of this Institute, Ordinance and
	Regulations of Dual Degree programs and Admission for Post graduate programs
	(M Des) through DASA as additional intake.
	The Board noted the action taken by the Institute.
	Items for Approval
	Consideration and Approval of Annual Report of the Institute for the Year 2014-
ltem No. 02	15 by the Board of Governors
	The Annual Report (Annexure 'A') of the Institute was presented by the Director.
	The Board noted the performance of the Institute during the year 2014-15 and
Resolution	appreciated the efforts put in by Director and other faculty and non-faculty
No.5 /2015	members of the Institute.
	The Board, after due deliberation, RESOLVED to approve the Annual Report of the
	Institute for the year 2014-15 and also for submission of the same to MHRD.
Item No. 03	Consideration and Approval of the Minutes of 25 th Meeting of the Senate
	The 25 th meeting of the Senate held on 21 April 2015 was submitted to Board (Annexure 'B').
	The Board noted the Minutes and RESOLVED to approve the following
Resolution	recommendations of the 25 th Meeting of Senate:
No.6 /2015	 Increase in financial assistance for UG/DD/PG/Ph.D students/scholars to
	 Increase in mancial assistance for OG/DD/PG/Pfi.D students/scholars to present research papers in conferences held in India
	 Renewal of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) of Internship program
	with Nagaoka University of Technology (NUT) and Hitachi Automotive

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	Systems, Ltd. (HIAMS)
	The amended Student Constitution
	Consideration and Approval of the Minutes of 20 th Meeting of the Finance
Item No.04	Committee and Annual Accounts for the year 2014-15
	The Board perused the Annual Accounts for the year 2014-15 and after due
	deliberation, RESOLVED to approve the Annual Accounts of the Institute for the
Resolution	year 2014-15 and also submission of the same to Director General of Aud
No.7 /2015	(Central) for audit certification.
	The Board further discussed and RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the 20
	Meeting of Finance committee held on 23 rd April 2015 (Annexure 'C).
Item No.05	Enhancement of Dearness Allowance w.e.f. 01 January 2015
	MHRD had forwarded the Ministry of Finance letter dated 10 th April 201
	notifying the enhancement of Dearness Allowance to Central Governme
	employees from the existing rate of 107% to 113% w.e.f. 1 st January 202
	(Annexure 'D'). It is proposed to enhance the Dearness Allowance payable
Resolution	faculty / staff member of the Institute in line with notification and release t
No.8 /2015	arrears for the period from 01 Jan 2015 to 31 Mar 2015.
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	The Board noted the enhancement of Dearness Allowance by the Cent
	Government. The Board further RESOLVED to approve the enhancement
	Dearness Allowance and payment of Dearness Allowance at enhanced rate
	employees of the Institute from 01.01.2015.
	Payment of Enhanced Rate of Financial Assistance to the Ph D Scholars / M. D
Item No.06	
Item No.06	Students of the Institute
Item No.06 Resolution	Students of the Institute MHRD vide its letters dated 18.02.2015 and 02.03.2015 had notified t

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	under the Ministry of Human Resource Development. This enhancement is
	effective from 01.10.2014 in respect of Ph.D Scholars and 01.12.2014 for PG
	Students. The Institute had implemented and released PG/Ph.D assistantship at
	enhanced rate with the approval of Director in the month of March 2015.
	The Board noted the action taken by the Director and after due deliberation,
	RESOLVED to ratify the action taken by Director for payment of enhanced rate of
	financial assistance to the Ph D Scholars / M. Des Students of the Institute.
Item No.07	Appointment of Visiting Faculty
5	Dr. Rajasekara Pandian holding a Ph. D degree from IIT Delhi (1990) has been
	considered for a Visiting Faculty position at this Institute. He has obtained the
	M Tech from IIT Kanpur (1984) and B E (ECE 1982) from MK Univ, TN. Dr.
	Rajasekara Pandian is having over 30 years research / teaching experience and his
	fields of Specialization are Robotics, Control Systems, Mechatronics with
	applications in Environmental and energy systems. He has served in Ritumeiken
	University Japan, University of Michigan Flin USA, Tulane Univ, USA, Southeastern
	Louisiana Univ, USA before returning to India. He has published more than
	hundred research publications in reputed journals and conferences and involved
Resolution	in many sponsored research projects.
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2	An expert committee comprising Prof. K Sridharan and Prof. Krishna Vasudevan of
	IIT Madras and Prof. K M M Prabhu of IIITDM Kancheepuram along with Director,
	IIITDM assessed the credentials of Dr. Rajasekara Pandian in the seminar cum
	discussion held on 16 April 2015. The committee, taking into account his
6	credentials and experience, recommended for Visiting Faculty position for a
	period of three years on a consolidated honorarium of Rs. 1,40,000/- p.m. with
	10% increment every year. A copy of Minutes of the Selection committee is
	placed as Annexure 'E'.

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	The Board noted the cr		·	-
	after due deliberation,			
	Faculty for a period of	3 years with o	consolidated honor	arium of Rs. 1,
	p.m. with 10% incremer	nt every year.		
Item No. 8	Revision in Institute Fe	es and Enhance	ement of Hostel Fee	es / Charges
	The Institute and Hos	tel Fees and	Charges were coll	ected based u
	approval of Board in i	ts 16th meetin	ng held on 14.07.20	011. Subseque
	approval there is rise	in cost like e	lectricity, dining ch	narges and oth
	charges. Hence, it is pro	oposed to incre	ease the fee / charg	e nominally to
	the cost. The rates have been arrived taking into account the expend			
	incurred for the services rendered and also the fee charged by other Centr			
	Funded Institutions of MHRD viz., IIT Madras, IIT Hyderabad and NIT Trichy.			
	tuition fee component is also under consideration by MHRD for revision and			
	same will be adopted and implemented upon direction from MHRD. The rev			
Resolution	in Institute fee is applicable from the batch of 2015-16 and the hostel			
No.11 /2015	charges are applicable from the Academic year 2015-16. The revision in t			
140.11 / 2013	charges will not alter the benefits extended to SC / ST students. The propose			
	been discussed in th	e 20th Finan	ce Committee me	eting and the
	committee had recomr	nended the sar	ne.	
	The Board, after due	deliberation,	RESOLVED to appr	ove the revisi
	Institute and Hostel fee	e/charges as be	low. (Annexure-F1	& F2)
	Description	B.Tech.	M.Des.	Ph.D.
	Institute Fee	34800*	17500	16100
	Hostel Fee / Charge	24700	I	1

	Items for Reporting to Board of Governors
Item No.09	To report about the receipt of Court Notice on SLP NOs.9100-9103 of 2015
	The Faculty members (Dr. Raja and 12 others) who have joined the Institute prior 18/8/2009 had filed a Writ Petitions WP 23087 & WP No.28312 of 2012 in the High Court of Madras challenging the Performance Assessment Process notified by the Institute towards implementation of Career Advancement Scheme. The Writ petitions were allowed by the Hon'ble single Judge of Madras High Court. The Institute, as advised by the Board, had filed the Writ Appeal before the Division Bench vide WA 2187 & 2188 of 2014. The Writ Appeals filed the Institute were allowed and the Writ petition filed by Dr. Raja and 12 others were dismissed. This was reported to the Board. Against the Writ appeal judgment, they had filed review applications before the Division bench of High Court of
	Madras. At present, the SIX faculty members (Dr. V. Masilamani and five others) only have filed a Special Leave Petition before Supreme Court of India challenging the Orders of Writ appeals (WA 2187 & 2188 of 2014) and Review applications (RA 127 & 128 of 2014).
	The Institute has received the notice on 16.04.2015 of their SLP (CIVIL) NOS.9100- 9103 of 2015 with Respondents Union of India represented by Secretary, MHRD (R-1) and Director, Registrar and Chairman, Board of Governors, IIITDM Kancheepuram as (R-2 to R-4). The matter is posted for hearing on 01.05.2015. As the matter was handled earlier by Shri. Karthick Rajan, Advocate, (who is also Legal Advisor to IIT Madras), it is proposed engage Shri. Karthick Rajan and his associates to represent the Institute in Supreme Court and defend the case. The fees as paid by the IIT Madras for the cases of Supreme Court will be paid to the

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	Counsel and his Associates in Supreme Court.
	The Board discussed the matter and approved the engagement of Shri. Karthick
	Rajan, Advocate and his associates in New Delhi to represent and defend the
	Institute in Supreme Court and payment of fees as paid by IIT Madras.
	Completion of Tenure of Prof. R. Gnanamoorthy, Director of the Institute on
ltem No. 10	04 th May 2015 and report on action taken by MHRD in appointing the next
	Director
	Prof. R. Gnanamoorthy was appointed as Director of the Institute for a period of
	five years with effect from 05.05.2010. This period is getting completed on
	04.05.2015. MHRD vide its letter dated 10.03.2015, advised the Institute to
	release advertisement for the post of Director, IIITDM Kancheepuram on behalf
	of the Ministry. Accordingly, the Institute has released advertisement in leading
	national news papers and also in Employment news.
	The Board noted the same.

The meeting concluded with thanks to the Chair.

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(Prof. R. Gnanamoorthy) Director and Secretary i/c

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(Prof. M.S. Ananth) Chairman, BoG