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DRAFT MINUTES OF THE 13TH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 12TH JULY 2007 AT NEW DELHI.

The 13th meeting of the Board of Governors VNIT, Nagpur was held on 12th July 2007 at NIT Transit House, Delhi. The followings were present at the meeting :

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| 1. Shri S. S. Sohoni IAS (Retd.) | Chairman |
| 2. Shri Ravi Mathur | Member |
| 3. Dr. S. V. Bhat | Member |
| 4. Dr. R. W. Khare | Member |
| 5. Shri V. R. Jamdar | Member |
| 6. Dr. V. A. Mhaisalkar | Member |
| 7. Prof. A. D. Chopde | Member |
| 8. Dr. L. M. Gupta, i/c Director | Member – Secretary |

Shri Madan Mohan, Director (NITs), Shri B. K. Ray, Under Secretary (IFD), Deptt. of Higher Education, Ministry of HRD, GoI attended the meeting as special invitees.

Dr. K. Madhu Murthy, Dr. Vijay Bhatkar, Shri Bhawarlal Jain, Prof. Ashok Misra and Nominee of Deptt. of Higher & Technical Education, Maharashtra State could not attend the meeting.

The following agenda was discussed :

13.01 To note the Minutes of the 12th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 12th February 2007.

The Board noted the minutes of the 12th meeting of the Board of Governors and comments received from one of the member.

13.02 To note the Action Taken Report on resolutions of the 12th meeting of the Board of Governors.

The Board noted the ATR with following suggestions :

A 3-member Committee, comprising the Director, VNIT, Prof. S. V. Bhat and one other member to be co-opted by them, was to critically review the suggested norms and qualifications for Faculty recruitment.

The Board requested the Committee to expedite their examination and recommendations.

The Chairman indicated that he will be glad to meet the office bearers of the Staff Association, during his visit to VNIT for 5th Convocation.

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13.03 To approve the Annual Report for the year 2006-2007.

The Board approved the Annual Report for the year 2006-2007 with following suggestions

1. The Organization Chart should be corrected. Names of the members of the Board of Governors should be mentioned.
2. The position on the achievements of the Institute (Chapter 10) should be amplified and revised to reflect noteworthy achievements properly.

13.04 To allot space for running Centre of Rajiv Gandhi Science & Technology Commission, on VNIT, Nagpur campus.

The Board indicated that a self contained proposal in this matter should be formulated keeping in mind all the relevant legal provisions relating to VNIT, intended activities of the Centre of RGS&T Commission and other logistics aspects, for consideration of the Board and subsequent consideration of the Government of India.

13.05 To note and approve the minutes of the 9th meeting of the Finance Committee held on 12th July 2007.

The Board approved the minutes of the 9th meeting of the Finance Committee.

13.06 To note and approve the minutes of the 10th meeting of the Building & Works Committee held on 14th April 2007.

Noted.

13.07 To note and approve the minutes of the 12th and 13th meeting of the Stores Purchase Committee held on 14th Feb 2007 and 16th May 2007 respectively.

Noted.

13.08 To consider the enhancement in fees for preparation of transcripts.

The Board approved the proposal.

13.09 To consider the request of Shri D. H. Mhaiske, System Manager to convert his position in teaching cadre.

The Board did not find it appropriate to have a position of Systems Manager on the teaching strength. Instead, the Board indicated suggested that it may be examined whether Shri Mhaiske is eligible and suitable for a teaching position under the prevailing eligibility criteria and appropriate procedures of selection.

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13.10 To consider the deputation of Dr. O. R. Jaiswal for presentation of his paper at 12th International Conference on Wind Engineering at Australia.

The item was withdrawn.

13.11 Any other item(s) with permission of the Chair.

- a) The Hon'ble Chairman indicated that it was important that due care was taken to introduce in the curriculum of the Institute, suitable components which will give exposure to the students in regard to Humanities. This was necessary for the students being able to acquire a grounding and an acquaintance with the wider world beyond the sphere of Engineering. This would be valuable to them in becoming better engineers and citizens, the Chairman said, recalling that he had mentioned this point earlier also.

The Chairman requested Dr. S. V. Bhat of the Indian Institute of Science to may study the various aspects of the matter, keeping in mind the practice and experience gained in this regard in IITs and eminent institutions in the developed world, and make his recommendations for the consideration of the Board.

- b) The Board requested the Chairman to contact possible dignitaries for their availability as the Chief Guest / Guest of Honour for the 5th Convocation of the Institute.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

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MEMBER-SECRETARY