

Minutes of the joint meeting of the Board of Governors (VRCE and VNIT Nagpur) held at 03.30 p.m. on Tuesday, the 17th September 2002 at VNIT, Nagpur.

Following members were present ;

1. Prof. R.H. Tupkary - Chairman
2. Prof. S.C. Sahasrabudhe, IIT, Powai - Representative on BoG of VRCE, Nagpur
3. Prof. P.J. George - GoI Nominee on on BoG of VRCE, Nagpur
4. Shri P.R. Bapat - AICTE Nominee on BoG of VRCE, Nagpur
5. Dr. D.K. Sharma - A.A.A., Deptt. of Secondary & Higher Education MHRD, GoI, Representative on BoG of VRCE/VNIT, Nagpur
6. Dr. C.P. Srivastava - Secretary, UGC, New Delhi, Representative UGC on BoG of VNIT, Nagpur
7. Shri V.R. Jamdar - GoI Nominee from Industries on BoG of VNIT, Nagpur
8. Prof. K.L. Thakre - Teacher Representative, VRCE/VNIT
9. Shri D.V. Moghe - Teacher Representative, VRCE/VNIT
10. Dr. M.U. Deshpande - Director & Member Secretary, VRCE/VNIT

The following members could not attend the meeting due to their pre-occupation :

A. From Board of Governors of VRCE, Nagpur ;

1. Hon'ble Shri Dilip Walse Patil - Minister for Higher & Technical Education, Maharashtra State & Chairman, BoG, VRCE, Nagpur
2. Smt. Chandra Iyengar - Principal Secretary to Govt. of Mah. Deptt. of Higher & Technical Education.
3. Representative of Finance Department, Govt. of Maharashtra
4. Director of Technical Education, Maharashtra State
5. Shri Pawan Agrawal, GoI representative, MHRD, Deptt. of Secondary & Higher Education, New Delhi.
6. Dr. S.K. Khanna - UGC Nominee
7. Shri S.S. Sharma - Director (IFD) Deptt. of Secondary & Higher Education, New Delhi.
8. Dr. Arun Satputale - V.C. Nagpur University, Nagpur

B. From BoG VNIT, Nagpur

1. Shri Bhanwarlal Jain, GoI Nominee from Industries
2. Dr. Ashok Misra - Director, IIT, Powai.
3. Dr. K. Subramanian - Advisor, AICTE

At the outset the Chairman extended hartiast welcome to all the members of the Board of Governors, thanked the Members of the BoG, VRCE. He further expressed to have proud privilege of having people of eminence on the Board and was confident their they will lead the Institute in reaching greater heights.

Shri P.R. Bapat thanked all the Members who were instrumental in converting the College in to Institute (Deemed University) and wished best luck for future developments.

Prof. P.J. George joined Shri P.R. Bapat in extending his good wishes.

Dr. C.P. Srivastava, Secretary UGC congratulated the Institute on becoming Deemed University and expressed his desire that the Board shall make every effort in making policies pertaining to teaching, research, governance and developmental activities keeping the vision and mission as perception.

Dr. D.K. Sharma, Representative GoI stressed the need of using the infrastructure of the Institute more comprehensively and expected excellent laboratories, Computer centres, Workshop for imparting quality education which can directly be transferred to the students.

The following agenda was discussed.

Item 01.01 To Note the status of the 85th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 16th July 2002 in Mantralaya, Mumbai.

The Board noted the status at the items (a) (b) (c) (d) & (e)

As regards (f) the Board ratified the annual accounts of the College for the year 2001-2002. Status report of MHRD / AICTE project schemes was approved. The Board authorised the Director to take up the matter of payment of Service Tax on Testing and Consultancy income of the Institute with appropriate authorities at local and national level. It was resolved to pay the taxes on consultancy income and go in appeal, if necessary.

As regards (g) (85.06) the Board directed the Institute to take necessary action in respect of Carrier Advancement Scheme of GoI as per the recommendation of AICTE subject to any modifications arising out of the decision of the NIT Council. The Board further requested the Director to expedite the action in respect of constitution of Selection Committee as per statute, in view of considerable delay that has already been taken place.

The Board approved item no. 85.10, 85.11, 85.12 and noted 85.13.

Item 01.02 To approve the minutes of the first meeting of the Senate held on 3rd September 2002.

The Board approved the minutes.

Item 01.03 To formulate the Finance and Building and Works Committee.

The Board recommended the nomination of Shri V.R. Jamdar on Building and Works Committee under the provision of MoA Rules 7 (1) (a).

The Board also recommended the nominations of Dr. C.P. Srivastava,

Secretary UGC and Shri V.R. Jamdar on Finance Committee against the positions at (c) under Rule 6(1) of the MoA.

However, the MHRD representative intimated that the GoI is considering modifications of the structure of Finance Committee which will supersede the present constitution of Finance Committee.

- Item 01.04 To consider the Nomination of Alumnus on Board of Governors.**
The Board unanimously approved the nomination of Shri R.W. Khare on the Board of Governors under provision 9 (h) of the MoA.
- Item 01.05 To consider the appointment of teachers and officers against sanctioned post.**
The Board permitted to make the appointments of faculty and other academic staff against the sanctioned vacant posts and directed to follow the norms of reservation as applicable in IIT, Mumbai.
The Board also permitted to convert one sanctioned post of Prof. of Architecture into Prof. (Design Chair) provisionally for a period not exceeding 3 years and to be filled on contract with no additional financial liability.
- Item 01.06 To approve the creation of the Deputy Director & Deans :**
The Board approved the proposal as an Ad-hoc arrangement till the NIT Council decision in this regard is received for implementation.
As regards honorarium and other criteria the Board decided to follow the norms of IIT, Mumbai.
- Item 01.07 To ratify the notes approved by the Chairman, Board of Governors.**
To Board ratified the notes approved by the Chairman regarding appointments for the year 2002-2003 in respect of ;
a) OSD (Exams), Deans (Acad)/(Admn)/(P&F)/(R&D)/(St. C.) and Deputy Director
b) Annual accounts
c) Voluntary retirement of Dr. M.U. Deshpande
- Item 01.08 To approve the annual report of VRCE (now VNIT) for the year 2001-2002.**
The Board approved the Annual Report for the year 2001-2002.
The suggestions from representative of GoI that the Annual Report shall prominently comprise of the annual achievements, funds utilization strength and weaknesses, interactions with industries etc. shall be taken care of hereafter.
- Item 01.09 To constitute a Committee for preparation of VNIT status, service rules etc.**
The Board authorised the Chairman to form necessary committee by nominating Members.

Item 01.10 To create new posts in the Examination Section of VNIT on Urgent Basis:

The Board did not agree for creation of the posts at this stage and suggested to make Ad-hoc arrangements on contract basis, so that the section function with the desired efficiency.

Item 01.11 Any other item/s with permission of the Chair.

(a) Delegation of powers to the Director

The Board directed the Institutes to adopt the system prevailing in IIT, Mumbai.


(b) Facilities to the Chairman


The Board approved to adopt the facilities extended to the Chairman Board of Governors of IIT, Mumbai to the Chairman, VNIT, Nagpur.


(c) Pending pension arrears to the pensioners

The Board decided to record that the State Govt. liability on account of pension arrears to the employees of the Institute in the Budget and pursue the State Govt. for early release of funds *and the cases are to be decided as per rules.*

Dr. M.U. Deshpande Director extended his gratitude to all the Members for their kind cooperation during the Meeting, this being his last Meeting of the Board. *Board recorded its appreciation for his excellent services rendered by Dr. M.U. Deshpande against odds and difficulties.*
The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.



M.U. Deshpande
Member Secretary



D.K. Sharma

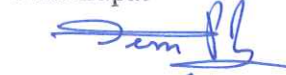

S.C. Sahasrabudhe


C.P. Srivastava



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Chairman


P.R. Bapat


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