

**MINUTES OF THE SIXTH MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 11<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2012**

The Sixth Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Indian Institute of technology, Hyderabad was held at 11.00 hours on Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2012, in the Conference Room of the Institute at its Temporary Campus in the Ordnance Factory Estate, Yeddumailaram. The following were present:

Shri Ajay Chowdhry, Chairman  
Dr K Mohandas  
Shri M Mathew  
Prof UB Desai, Director  
Prof V Eswaran  
Prof FA Khan  
Shri N Jayaram, Registrar

The Chairman welcomed the BoG members.

Leave of absence was granted to Dr Kiran Mazumdar Shaw, Shri CR Biswal and Shri Sunil Kumar.

Prof V Eswaran and Prof FA Khan are the two professors nominated by the Senate. Prof Desai introduced Prof Eswaran and Prof Khan to the Chairman and Members.

**1. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE FIFTH MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 21<sup>st</sup> April 2011.**

The Board considered the Minutes of the Fifth Meeting of the Board held on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2011 that has already been circulated to the members and CONFIRMED the minutes as circulated.

**2. CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN ON THE  
MINUTES OF THE FIFTH MEETING HELD ON 21<sup>st</sup> April 2011.**

The Board considered the 'Report of Action' taken on the minutes of the Fifth meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2011.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE ACTION TAKEN ON THE MINUTES OF THE FIFTH  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 21<sup>st</sup> APRIL 2011.**

The Board noted the "Report of Action" taken on various observations/suggestions and decisions as recorded in the Minutes of the Fifth Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2011 and approved the 'Report'.

#### **4. APPROVAL for major purchases made during December 2010 and March 2011.**

The Board approved this item.

#### **5. APPROVAL for medical facilities at the Institute.**

The Board approved this item after noting that this item has already been approved by the Finance Committee.

#### **6. FILLING up of additional non-faculty posts.**

The Board noted the contents of Section 6 and Section 13 of the Institutes of Technology Act, 1961 in regard to institution of posts and strongly emphasised that posts of Internal Auditor in PB 3 with Grade Pay of Rs.7600 is highly essential. The Board noted that it is necessary to have an Internal Auditor with sufficient experience to enable compliance with various norms. The Board stressed that the Institute may again approach MHRD for approval of this post.

Further, the Board noted that the Institute plans to have a skeletal security system on its regular establishment and outsource the rest. The location of the Institute being away from the city, the security perception is different and need greater emphasis than before. There is need for a full-time regular Sr. Security Officer with adequate experience and exposure in PB 3 with Grade Pay of Rs.6600 or higher. Thus, the Board emphasised that the Institute may again approach MHRD for approval of this post.

The Board considered and approved this item subject to the observations made above.

#### **7. APPROVAL of Purchase procedure.**

This item was discussed in detail. After detailed discussions the Board approved this item with the following two modifications:

- a) 'Purchase of goods without quotation (Type-1) shall be up to Rs.1,00,000. This category of purchase should be limited to consumables and routine requirements, such as, Green Boards for teaching, Data acquisition cards, vacuum pumps and other such equipment needed for teaching and research on an urgent basis.
- b) Purchase of goods by Purchase Committee will be for amounts from Rs.1,00,001 to Rs.5,00,000 instead of Rs.2,00,001 to Rs.5,00,000.

## **8. APPROVAL for two new B Tech. Programs**

The Board approved commencement of two new B.Tech. programs: (i) Civil Engineering and (ii) Engineering Science. The intake in these two programs will be roughly 20 students each. The Board approved excess intake in various programs that has already occurred. Furthermore, the Board authorized the Director to hereinafter admit students in excess of normal intake after due consideration.

## **9. APPROVAL of the Audit Report on the Accounts of the Institute for the year 2010-11.**

The Board noted the points raised by the CAG i.e. absence of internal audit mechanism, non-conduct of physical verification of Fixed and Inventory, and other deficiencies.

The Board approved this item keeping in view the certification of the accounts by the CAG.

The Chairman made the following suggestions to take care of deficiencies:

- a) The work of physical verification of fixed assets and inventory must be done on an urgent basis.
- b) The assets may be numbered with bar-coding so that physical verification will be easier.
- c) Engage a reputed Auditing firm for account verification.

The Chairman strongly emphasised the need for a strong internal audit mechanism and drew attention to the observations made against Agenda Item No.6 to approach MHRD for an internal auditor.

## **10. STATUS REPORT on the IIT Hyderabad-Japan Collaboration.**

The Board noted the contents of the report. The Chairman emphasised that IIT Hyderabad has a very ambitious plan of growth at a rapid rate and its requirements are different from that of other new IITs. Considering the needs for such a growth, the requirements of space projected by the Institute are well justified.

After elaborate discussions, and taking into considerations the suggestions from MHRD as well as MoF, the Board approved the proposal of the Institute to request MHRD to enhance the ODA loan amount from Rs. 600 crores to Rs.1,000 crores.

## **11. Progress Report**

The Board noted the progress made by the Institute in various spheres. The Chairman and the Board members expressed their satisfaction on the detailed report.

## **12. Minutes of the Finance Committee.**

The Board noted the contents of the Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2011.

## **13. Draft Statutes of IIT Hyderabad.**

The board expressed its satisfaction on the draft of the First IITH statutes. Thanks were expressed to committee consisting of Prof. Kincha, Prof. Iyengar, Prof. Sonde and Mr. Ghosh for drafting the first statutes of IIT Hyderabad. The Board also appreciated the new enabling clauses for research and entrepreneurship. The Board noted that the first statutes have to be approved by the Council. The Board approved the draft statutes to enable the Institute to initiate further necessary action.

## **14. Setting up of National Institute of Design.**

The Board was very favorable to having the NID campus on IITH campus. The Board noted that the synergy between technology and design can produce exceptional results. The Board considered the possibilities of strong interaction between IITH and NID like student interaction, sharing of credits, etc. that is likely to have a larger benefit to both the Institutions. The Board noted the request of Govt. of India, Ministry of Commerce and Industries for allotment of 30 acres of land for setting up of NID in IITH Campus.

Thereafter the Board approved this item empowering the Director to determine the extent of land that may be allocated to NID.

## **15. Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> IIT Hyderabad ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING.**

The Board noted the 'Action Items' and suggested that the Institute may constitute a Faculty Group headed by a Professor to implement all the action points in a time bound manner and present an Action Taken Report every three months to all the members and also suggested that the Council may meet at least twice a year.

**16. Any other item with the permission of the Chair.**

- a) There was a discussion on on-line education and development of new teaching approaches exploiting technology. In this context the Board suggested to consider setting of Education Technology Cell.
- b) Entrepreneurship: A lot of discussion took place on enabling entrepreneurship on IITH campus. The Board emphasized that entrepreneurship is the need of the hour and IITH must make strong beginning in this domain. The Board suggested having periodic lectures and or workshop on entrepreneurship. The board also approved a minor in Entrepreneurship program. This minor will along the lines of other minor programs in the institute. It was suggested that we start the Starting a Minor in Entrepreneurship from Aug 2012

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

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