**Minutes of Twenty sixth Meeting of the IIT Hyderabad
Board of Governors held on 02nd August 2017**

The Twenty sixth Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Indian Institute of Technology Hyderabad was held on Wednesday the 02nd August 2017 in the Board Room of the Permanent Campus of the Institute located in Kandi, Sanga Reddy District.

The following were present:

Shri BVR Mohan Reddy, Chairman.
Dr Prema Ramachandran, Member.
Prof M Lakshmi Kantam, Member.
Prof Vinod Krishan, Member – via Skype
Prof KVL Subramaniam, Member.
Prof Anjan Kumar Giri, Member.
Prof UB Desai, Director.
Shri N Jayaram, Registrar.

Leave of absence was granted to Shri R Subramanyam and Smt Ranjeev R Acharya.

Item No.1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the Twenty fifth Meeting of the Board held on 20th June 2017.

The Board confirmed the Minutes as circulated.

Item No.2: To consider report of actions taken on the Minutes of the Twenty fifth Meeting of the Board of Governors.

The Board noted actions taken on Agenda items.

In regard to Agenda Item No.8 (1) Higher Degrees by Research Programs with Swinburne University of Technology, the Chairman queried the procedure. Prof Desai explained that the students will spend 3 years in IITH during which Swinburne University will provide about 2/3rd of the fellowship component as grant to IITH that may be spent for any purpose related to the partnered program.. Further, the students will stay for one year in Swinburne University during which Swinburne will meet the full expenditure.

Item No.3: Report relating to Actions Taken by the Chairman, Board of Governors, from time to time since last meeting.

The Board noted the action taken.

Item No.4: To consider and approve conferment of Degrees to Ph.D. M Tech, M Des, M.Phil., M.S., M.Sc., Executive M.Tech., and B.Tech. students.

The Board took note of the list of graduating students and also medals list. The Board approved award of degrees to Ph D, M Tech, M Des, M.Phil, M.S., M Sc, Executive M.Tech. and B.Tech. students.

During the course of discussions on this item Prof Vinod Krishan suggested that the Institute may compile information relating to admissions i.e. rank-wise and gender-wise distribution of the B.Tech. students and inform the Board. The Director agreed with the suggestion.

Item No.5: Procurement of second vehicle to be used as ambulance.

The Board took note of the requirement and approved that any suitable vehicle may be procured.

Item No.6: Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

a. The Director stated that the Institute is in need of an additional car to meet travel requirements and the entire expenditure towards procurement of the car will be met from finances generated from overheads from projects sponsored by private parties.

   The Board had discussion on the locational aspects, source of funds, and approved procurement of Toyota Corolla Altis from finances generated from private party sponsored projects.

b. The Board noted that conferment of status of 'Professor Emeritus' was considered by the Board under Agenda Item No.7 in its 09th Meeting held on 10th August 2012 and was approved. The Agenda provided for a) automatic conferment of status of 'Professor Emeritus' to all the Professors who retire from IIT Hyderabad including those retire after immediate/permanent absorption, b) entitlement to have some space in the department and access to facilities in the institute to the 'Professor Emeritus', and c) rehiring of such faculty will be governed by the rules and regulations formulated by the BoG from time to time.

   The Board noted that there is no financial implication as no remuneration has been contemplated. In regard to the status 'Professor Emeritus' the Board noted that 'Emeritus' as commonly used related to retaining the designation of the post from which retired and more particularly in academic field.

   However, the Board decided to have further deliberations in its next meeting before final decision is made.

<center>The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.</center>