# MINUTES OF THE NINTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON 10<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2012

The Ninth Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Indian Institute of technology, Hyderabad was held at 11.30 hours on Friday the 10<sup>th</sup> August 2012, in the Conference Room of the Institute at its Temporary Campus in the Ordnance Factory Estate, Yeddumailaram. The following were present:

Dr Ajai Chowdhry, Chairman Dr K Mohandas Shri M Mathew Prof U B Desai, Director Prof V Eswaran Prof F A Khan Shri N Jayaram, Registrar

The Chairman welcomed the BoG members.

Leave of absence was granted to Dr Kiran Mazumdar Shaw, Shri. M. G. Gopal, Principal Secretary to Government of Andhra Pradesh and Shri. R.P. Sisodia, Joint Secretary (HE), MHRD.

Item No.1: CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH AND EIGHTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON MAY 02, 2012 & ON JULY 20, 2012.

The Board considered the Minutes of the Seventh and Eighth Meeting of the Board held on May 02, 2012 and on July 20, 2012 that has already been circulated to the members and CONFIRMED the minutes as circulated.

The Board made the following suggestions during the course of discussions of the Minutes:

IITH should pursue the work on activating Cognitive Radio seriously and patenting the technology.

Item No.2: To consider report of actions taken on the Minutes of the Seventh and the Eighth Meeting of the Board of Governors.

The Board noted the action taken report.

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During the course of discussions, the following suggestions were made:

- Dr Mohandas suggested that he will arrange interaction between Cochin University and IITH regarding MoU with Cochin University on the Survey Model.
- 2. The Chairman suggested that appointment of a Professor to be in full charge of Consultancy projects and increased industry interaction will be of immense help to IITH. Prof Desai, Director agreed to this and stated that Prof NV Reddy will be considered for this assignment. The Chairman further suggested that he would like to have a detailed interaction with Prof NV Reddy on this subject.
- The Chairman suggested that for inculcation of values, there is need for greater interaction between Faculty and Students outside the academic premises. Prof Desai agreed to the proposal and stated that possibilities will be explored.

# Item No.3: Report relating to action taken by the Chairman from time to time.

The Board noted this item.

### Item No.4: Construction of Permanent Campus.

Prof Desai tendered a detailed explanation of various steps from the stage of conception to the present stage. After detailed discussions, the Board:

a) Accorded Technical Sanction, and b) approved the tender documents.

## Item No.5: Conferment of Degrees.

Prof Desai explained the methodology of awarding President's Gold Medal, Institute Gold Medal and Silver Medals. The Board approved conferment of Degrees and also medals.

# Item No.6: Submission of EFC for IITH-Japan Collaboration to MHRD.

The Board noted this item and expressed satisfaction over this item.

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#### Item No.7: Conferment of status of 'Professor Emeritus'.

Prof Desai explained that conferment of status of 'Professor Emeritus' to those superannuated is recognition is necessary in academic interests and is based on practices prevailing in reputed institutions.

The Board expressed satisfaction over this proposal and approved this item.

### Item No.8: Any other item.

- Updated Placement Report: In the Seventh Meeting of the Board, it had been suggested that placement report may include job offered. In compliance with this suggestion, an updated report was placed. The Board noted this item.
- Annual Accounts for the Financial year 2011-12: The Board approved the Annual Accounts.
- Reconstitution of Board of Governors: The present tenure of the Board is up to October 14, 2012. MHRD has requested suggestion of the Board regarding the new Board.

Dr K Mohandas and Shri M Mathew recused themselves and were not present during discussions regarding Members. The Board strongly felt that the contribution of these two Members has been very significant and therefore, the two Members may be re-appointed for another term. This is very important from a continuity stand point for a young institution. Suggestion of names for other places, as approved by the Board, will be forwarded by the Director.

Dr Ajai Chowdhry, Chairman recused himself and was not present during discussion regarding suggestion of names for Chairman. The Board was of definite view that Dr Ajai Chowdhry has been of very high value to IITH as Chairman. Considering his contributions in various forms, the Board suggested re-appointment of Dr Ajai Chowdhry for another term. A letter to the effect will be forwarded to MHRD.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.