

National Institute of Technology Raipur

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34th Meeting of Board of Governors

Minutes

The 34th meeting of Board of Governors of NIT Raipur was held on 11.11.2016 in the Mini Conference Hall of National Institute of Technology Raipur from 12:00 Hrs.

Following officials were present in the meeting:

1	Dr. Sudarshan Tiwari	Chairman for the meeting on 11.11.2016
2	Shri S.P. Goyal	Joint Secretary (NITs & DL), MHRD
3	Shri Ashok Maheshwari	Director (Finance), MHRD & Representative of JS & FA
4	Shri Kamal Sarda	Member
5	Ms. Geeta Varadan	Member
6	Dr. (Mrs.) A. B. Soni	Member
7	Prof. A.P. Rajimwale	Member
8	Dr. P.Y. Dhekne	Secretary & Registrar [I/c]

At the outset, Secretary, BoG informed that there exists a vacancy at the level of Chairperson, BoG as the same is yet to be appointed by the Hon'ble Visitor. Therefore, as per Statute No. 17(15) read with Section 16 of NITSER Act, -2012; Director of the Institute can chair the meeting. Accordingly, Dr. Sudarshan Tiwari, Director, NIT Raipur chaired the meeting of the BoG.

Ms. Sulochana Gadgil and Dr. N. K. Jain did not attend the meeting and were granted leave of absence.

The Chairman welcomed all the members and permitted the Secretary, BoG to present the agenda after ascertaining the quorum.

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Agenda 34.1 To confirm the minutes of 33rd meeting of BoG held on 23.08.2016 at Transit House, New Delhi.

The minutes of 33rd meeting of BoG were circulated amongst the members and no comments have been received thereon.

Resolution

The minutes of the 33rd meeting of Board of Governors held on 23.08.2016 were confirmed with the following observations:

Agenda Item No. 33.1: The Secretary clarified that the non-Ph.D. faculties were taken on contract prior to the 4 tier flexible faculty structure coming into force and that the contracts signed with the faculty members contain a provision of automatic regularisation after completing Ph.D. as per the prevailing Recruitment Rules at that time. It was felt that this is against the provisions under the 4 tier flexible faculty structure and this conflict has to be resolved so that there are no legal complications in future. It was decided that the matter be referred to the Ministry of HRD for guidance.

Agenda 34.2 To note the Action Taken Report on the minutes of 32nd meeting of BoG held on 10.06.2016.

Resolution

The Action Taken on the minutes of the 32nd meeting of the BoG held on 10.06.2016 was noted with the following observations:

Agenda Item No. 32.10: The Secretary clarified that the non-Ph.D. faculties were taken on contract prior to the 4 tier flexible faculty structure coming into force and that the contracts signed with the faculty members contain a provision of automatic regularisation after completing Ph.D. as per the prevailing Recruitment Rules at that time. It was felt that this is against the provisions under the 4 tier flexible faculty structure and this conflict has to be resolved so that there are no legal complications in future. It was decided that the matter be referred to the Ministry of HRD for guidance.

Agenda 34.3 Presentation of Director's Report.

Director, NIT Raipur presented the Director's Report comprising of developments in the Institute since the last meeting of BoG held on 23.08.2016.

Resolution

The Director's Report was noted by the Board and the members lauded the leadership of the Director for ensuring the development of the Institute. The members further congratulated the faculty and staff of the Institute for their efforts in ensuring all round development of the Institute.

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Agenda 34.4 To note the minutes of 21st meeting of BWC held on 13.10.2016.

The Board deliberated upon the minutes of 21st meeting of BWC.

Resolution

The minutes of 21st meeting of BWC held on 13.10.2016 were noted by the Board with the following observations:

Agenda Item No. 21.2: The Contractors should be advised and it should be ensured by the Building & Works Committee (BWC) that they do not undertake any additional work before getting approval of the competent authority. Moreover, the BWC should be more careful while recommending works to the Finance Committee and the Board of Governors and should consider all aspects of the works, the detailed estimates, scope of works, prevailing norms, rates etc.

During the course of discussions, it came out that some outside persons are still staying in the quarters of the Institute. It was decided that the details be referred to the Ministry of HRD for taking up the matter with the State Government at the level of Secretary, Higher Education and the Hon'ble Minister of Human Resource Development.

The Board further decided that the Institute should initiate action for eviction of the unauthorized occupants from these quarters as per the prescribed procedure in law.

Agenda 34.5 To note the minutes of 27th meeting of Finance Committee held on 10.06.2016.

The BoG noted the minutes of 27th meeting of Finance Committee of NIT Raipur. The nomination of Ms. Geeta Varadan under clause No. 10(1) (iv) of the First Statute of NIT Raipur as Member, Finance Committee of NIT Raipur was ratified by the Board.

On Agenda Item No. 27.1 it was decided that the minutes of the 26th meeting of the Finance Committee be confirmed with the modification suggested by Director (NITs), MHRD.

On Agenda Item No. 27.2 (To report action taken on the minutes of 26th meeting of Finance Committee), the observations made in the CAG Audit Report on the unfinished tasks by NBCC were discussed. It was suggested that the observations of the CAG be complied with and a compliance report be sent to the Ministry of HRD at the earliest.

On Agenda Item Nos. 27.5 & 27.6 it was informed that the remuneration of the temporary faculty members and the contractual non-teaching staff is at par with the remuneration of similar classes of employees in the neighbouring NITs.

On Agenda Item No. 27.10 it was felt that the intake in various PG Programmes should rationalize with the view that the payment of stipend and scholarship to the PG students does not become so excessive that it does not lead to a shortfall in the funds for other activities of the Institute.

Resolution

The Board noted the minutes of 27th Meeting of Finance Committee of NIT Raipur with above suggestion.

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Agenda 34.6 To note the minutes of 26th 27th and 28th meeting of Senate of NIT Raipur held on 11.07.2016, 07.10.2016 and 27.10.2016 respectively.

Joint Secretary (NITs & DL), MHRD suggested to put the Academic Audit Report (For the Year 2015-16) as a Separate Agenda Item in the forthcoming BoG meeting.

Resolution

The minutes of 26th, 27th and 28th meeting of Senate of NIT Raipur were noted by the Board.

The Board further directed the Secretary that if any of the decision(s) of the Senate requires approval of the Board, the same may be put before the Board as separate Agenda Item(s) in its next meeting.

Agenda 34.7 To approve the names of Degree Recipients for the 7th Convocation of NIT Raipur.

Resolution The Board approved the names of Degree Recipients for the 7th Convocation of NIT Raipur.

Agenda 34.8 To approve the list of Medal Recipients of B. Tech and B.Arch-2016 pass out batch for the 7th Convocation of NIT Raipur.

Resolution The Board approved the list of Medal Recipients of B. Tech and B.Arch-2016 pass out batch for the 7th Convocation of NIT Raipur.

Agenda 34.9 To approve the list of Medal Recipients of M.Tech. and MCA-2016 pass out batch for the 7th Convocation of NIT Raipur.

Resolution The Board approved the list of Medal Recipients of M.Tech. and MCA-2016 pass out batch for the 7th Convocation of NIT Raipur.

Agenda 34.10 To consider the grievance of Non-Teaching employees of the Institute.

The Board deliberated upon the following grievances of Non-teaching employees of the Institute:

- a. Grievance of Shri Ajay Sharma, Asst. Librarian for mapping him in PB3 with AGP of Rs. 6000.
- b. Request made by non-teaching employees seeking relaxation in academic qualification for promotion.
- c. Grievance submitted by Shri S.D. Goyal, erstwhile Instructor for mapping him at GP of 4200 at par with Technical Asst w.e.f. 01-01-2006.

Resolution The Board did not accept the requests made under the Grievance letters.

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Agenda 34.11 To consider the grievances of Faculty Members of the Institute.

The matter was deliberated upon by the Board considering the various representations made by the faculties to count their period of teaching experience while pursuing Ph.D. for promotions.

The Board opined that the decision made vide DO Letter No. F17.8/2013 (PS) dated 01.03.2016 issued by UGC is not applicable to NITs as the promotions and recruitment of faculties in NITs are governed by Four-Tier Flexible Faculty Structure after its adoption.

Resolution

The Board did not accept the requests made by the faculties to count their period of teaching experience while pursuing Ph.D. for promotions.

Agenda 34.12 To approve the Annual Report of the Institute for the year 2015-16 without SAR.

The Secretary informed that the Separate Audit Report is awaited from C&AG for the FY 2015-16.

Director(Finance),MHRD suggested pursuing with the CAG for Separate Audit Report of the Institute for the FY 2015-16 so as to enable timely submission of Annual Report of the Institute for the year 2015-16.

Resolution

The Board approved the Annual Report of the Institute for the year 2015-16 without the SAR. The Board authorized the Chairman, BoG to approve the SAR on its receipt and further directed to place the approval of the SAR before the BoG for its ratification in its next meeting.

Agenda 34.13 Any other matter with permission of the Chair:

(To approve the names of SC/ST/ Minority Observer on the Selection Committees for Teaching as well as non-teaching employees)

Resolution

The Board approved the names of following officials as Minority and SC/ST Observers on the Selection Committees for teaching as well as non-teaching employees.

- 1. Prof. (Dr.) V.B. Borghate, Department of Electrical Engineering.
- 2. Prof.(Dr.) S.S. Umare, Department of Applied Chemistry.

As there was no other item for discussion, the meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Dr. P.Y. Dhekne

Secretary, BOG & Regisrar [I/C]

Dr. Sudarshan Tiwari

Chairman