

VEER SURENDRA SAI UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, BURLA

MINUTES OF 32nd MEETING OF BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY HELD ON 24.08.2019 AT 11.00 AM IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF HOTEL SIDDHARTH BHUBANESWAR

The following members were present:

1. Prof. Atal Chaudhuri : Chairman
Vice-Chancellor, VSSUT, Burla
2. Dr. A.K. Nayak, OAS (S), : Member
Joint Secretary to Govt. of Odisha
SD&TE Dept. (Nominee of
Commissioner-cum-Secretary SD&TE)
3. Mr. P.K. Nanda : Member
The Additional Secretary to Govt. of Odisha,
Finance Department, Govt. of Odisha
4. The Vice-Chancellor, : Member
Biju Pattnaik University of Technology, Odisha
Rourkela – 769004
5. Prof. Venkappayya R Desai : Member
Professor, Dept. Of Civil Engineering
IIT, Kharagpur (AICTE Nominee)
6. Er. Bimal Krishana Mishra : Member
CEO, RSB Metal Tech. (P) Ltd, Bhubaneswar
7. Er. Sashi Sekhar Mohanty : Member
Vice-Chairman cum-MD,
Neelachal Ispat Nigam, LTd, Duburi, Jajpur
8. Prof. R. Panda, Professor in Electronics & : Member
Telecommunication Engg. VSSUT, Burla
9. Prof. A.N. Nayak, Professor in Civil Engg. : Member
VSSUT, Burla
10. Smt. Upama Kalo, OAS (S) : Member-Convenor
Registrar

The leave of absent is granted to the following members who could not attend the meeting:

11. The Director, Technical Education & Training : Member
Odisha, Cuttack
12. Prof. K.S. Reddy : Member
Prof. & HOD, Dept. Of Civil Engg.
IIT, Kharagpur

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At the outset, the Vice-Chancellor Prof. Atal Chaudhuri, Chairman Board of Management welcomed the members present in the 32nd Board of the Management.

Then the agenda items were discussed and resolved as follows:

BOM : 32-01 : To confirm the minutes of the 31st meeting of the Board of Management held on 24.06.2019. (**Annexure-I**) : pages from 03 to 04.

Resolution: Confirmed with following notes.

1. As regard pensionary benefits at the age of 60 years instead of 58 years, the Joint Secretary, Govt. of Odisha, SD& TE Dept informed that the matter has already been agreed by the government in principle. However, the notification to this effect shall be issued after obtaining the approval from finance department.
2. Before handing over of two hostels namely Pulaha and Vasundhara, Chief General Manager, IDCO be approached for landscaping and the approach gate design change.
3. Open Gym facilities in front of different Hall of Residences be initiated.

BOM : 32-02 : Action taken report on the minutes of the 30th meeting of the Board of Management held on 04.06.2019 (**Annexure-II**) : pages from 05 to 08.

Resolution: Noted.

BOM : 32-03 : To consider and approve the recommendations of the 24th meeting of Academic Council held on 22.08.2019.

Resolution : Resolved and confirmed with following notes.

1. Academic council must be proactive for implementing CBCS and Outcome based education at the earliest and must report to the next BOM meeting.
2. Supplementary examination will be arranged only for Final year students.
3. The concept of Marks Grafting is kept in abeyance.

BOM.: 32-04 : To reconsider Resolution "Each faculty member must publish at least one Research paper in SCOPUS/SCI Indexed Journal (without any processing fee) per year to enable him/her for annual increment" of BOM:30-04/AC:08 held on 04.06.2019

Resolution : Considering the resistance from a good number of faculty members regarding the success of publishing one Research paper in SCOPUS/SCI Indexed Journal (without any processing fee) per year to make him/her eligible for annual increment, the members feel this be withdrawn. Instead "Certificate of appreciation" be offered in the convocation to those who will publish at least five SCOPUS/SCI Indexed Journal (without any processing fee) papers in a year. Further the members decided to make provision for " Award of Excellence" to the faculty members who will successfully claim this certificate for consecutively three years.

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Further all HoDs will take the account of SCI/Scopus Journal publications from faculty members of their respective department and be involved in encouraging the faculties who are reluctant in publication.

BOM : 32-05 : Action taken by the Vice Chancellor in suspending and issuing show cause to the errant employees.

Resolution : The members expressed their deep concern and dissatisfaction over the flash strike started from 17th July 2019 and the most undesirable indiscipline behaviour exhibited by the faculty members tarnishing the name and fame of the university during the strike period. The members have noted and ratified the action taken by the Vice Chancellor in suspending and issuing show cause to the following faculty members.

1. Prof. Pusparaj Dash, Professor of Mechanical Engineering
2. Dr. Pandaba Patro, Asst. Professor of Mechanical Engineering
3. Dr. Pradipta Kumar Das, Asst. Professor of Information Technology

Further, the suspension of Dr. Siba Prasad Panigrahi, Associate professor of Electrical Engineering is also ratified in the meeting.

Moreover, considering the gravity of allegations and the explanations offered by the suspended faculty members, the board members have recommended to initiate necessary process for drawing disciplinary proceedings against the suspended faculty members as per rules.

BOM: 32-06: To discuss on the report prepared by the four member committee on the explanation received from the twelve faculty members, served with show cause notice and to decide upon the subsequent follow up.

Resolution : The members have noted and ratified the issuance of show cause to twelve faculty members.

The report on the explanations from the twelve faculty members prepared by the committee was placed before the BOM members and following resolution is taken which is resolved and confirmed for immediate effect. The Vice-Chancellor is authorised to impose any decision including suspension with immediate effect as deemed fit in accordance with the power conferred by VSSUT First Statute 2010 on all twelve faculty members individually, pending enquiry report. Simultaneously Vice-Chancellor is also requested to frame separate enquiry officers for individual faculty members, served with show cause notice, to draw disciplinary proceedings. The report of the disciplinary officers be placed in subsequent BOM for ratification.

BOM:32-07 To consider and approve the recommendation of the Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) for promotion to the Group-C and Group-D posts.

Resolution : Resolved and Confirmed

BOM : 32-08 : To consider the Proposal of the Committee about the detail collection from Executive B.Tech Programme on "Power - Engineering" and

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"Manufacturing and Process Engineering" for Employees of Hindalco Industries Ltd. and payment of remuneration.

Resolution : The members expressed their concern regarding the continuation of B.Tech Course on non-listed course of AICTE. However the course be continued with the admitted students only.

BOM:32-09

To consider and fix the essential qualification and other eligibility criteria for the post of Controller of Examination.

Resolution: Members feel the tenure of the post of Controller of Examination be increased to five years from three years to attract more applications from eligible candidates keeping other requirements unchanged. Amendment to statute/act if any be initiated at the appropriate level at the earliest.

Any other items.

The members expressed their concern on the current ragging issues at VSSUT hostels. The committee requested the Vice Chancellor to make the wardens and members of anti-ragging committee as well as ragging prevention squad to make more proactive and vigilant. Further serious academic and criminal proceedings be initiated against all involved students as well as against security persons & other officers if there any negligence be found in their part, to make the campus truly ragging free.

The Chairman thanked all the members for their active participation in the meeting.



(Smt. Upama Kalo)
Registrar
Convener-Cum-Secretary



(Prof. Atal Chaudhuri)
Vice-Chancellor
Chairman