



Walchand College of Engineering Sangli

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE 227th MEETINGS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

Meeting No.	: 227 th
Day/Date	: Tuesday, 4 th June 2019
Time	: 03.30pm
	: Business Centre, The Oberoi Hotel, Nariman Point, Mumbai

MEMBERS PRESENT:

1. Shri Ajit Gulabchand : In chair
2. Dr.V.N.Gupchup : Member
3. Shri R.R.Purohit : Member
4. Dr. Shivajirao Kadam : Member
5. Dr. P.S.Patil : Member
6. Prof. P.G.Sonavane : In-charge Member Secretary
7. Dr.A.P.Vaidya : Faculty Invitee
8. Mrs. Shalaka Gulabchand Dhawan : Management Invitee

Leave of absence was granted to Shri Sanjaykaka Patil, Shri Vijay Pusalkar, Shri Chakor Gandhi, Shri Shrirang Kelkar, Dr. Amit Datta, and Dr.Abhay Wagh.

Item No.1:

To confirm Minutes of 226th AC meeting

The in-charge Director tabled the Minutes of the 226th meeting of the Council held on 14-03-2019 in Mumbai. The Minutes were already circulated to members. It was then resolved that the Minutes of the 226th meeting of the Council are confirmed.

Item No.2:

To record action taken report by the Director on various resolutions adopted by the Council in its 226th meeting

The in-charge Director tabled the report of the action taken on various resolutions made by the Council during its 226th meeting. The members discussed the report and it was then resolved that the action taken report by the Director is noted.

Item No.3:

Activity Report and status of TEQIP progress by the Director

The in-charge Director made a presentation on the various activities of the college and the status of TEQIP progress over the last three months. The members noted with satisfaction the achievements of students and faculty members in various areas.

The in-charge Director reported yet another year of very good placements of the students of graduating batch at about 85.5 per cent. This year, 16 students got placement in companies like, LinkedIn, Amazon, Rakuten, Symantec, Dell etc. with annual salary packages of over Rs.10 lakh. Highest salary package of Rs.37 lakh per year from LinkedIn was received by Shri Shubham Kharose of CSE. Seven other students received high packages ranging from Rs.24 lakh to Rs.34 lakh per year. So far 65 out of 191 M.Tech students also received campus placement.

The in-charge Director also reported on the special meeting organized by the college, as per the Chairman's suggestion between the local construction industry and the WCE students. The meeting was very useful and resulted in offers of live project work for WCE students in local projects. The members expressed satisfaction over these achievements and overall progress of TEQIP during this period. Resolved that the activity report is noted.

Item No.4

To consider audited annual balance-sheets and income and expenditure accounts of College Activity, Hostel and SGRF for the financial year 01-04-2018 to 31-03-2019

The in-charge Director presented the audited Balance Sheets for College Activity, Hostel and SGRF accounts for the financial year from 01-04-2018 to 31-03-2019 along with the Income and Expenditure statements. The total deficit in the college Account has increased to Rs.307.14 lakh during the year, compared to Rs.239.25 lakh during 2017-18. This deficit includes Rs.144.08 lakh deficit in the PG section. Development Fund receipts, including interest income and development fees for the year 2018-19 are Rs.1301.87 lakhs, representing an increase of Rs.228.66 lakh during the financial year as compared to previous year. Expenditure from Development Reserve Fund was Rs.257.28 lakhs, higher by Rs.87.31 lakh compared to the previous financial year. The surplus of Rs.331 lakhs in Activity Account is used to meet the deficit in college account by way of loan.

In Hostel section, investment in fixed deposits is increased by Rs.80.00 lakhs and addition to fixed assets is Rs.18.79 lakhs. Hostel section has a surplus of Rs.109.50 lakhs during the year 2018-19, which is transferred to Building Fund. The accumulated building fund as on 31.3.19 is Rs.609.50 lakhs.

The in-charge Director informed the Council that the Finance Committee had in its meeting held in Pune on 29-05-2019, discussed these audited financial statements

and recommended the same to the Administrative Council. It was then resolved that the Balance Sheets and Income-Expenditure statements for college activity, hostel and SGRF accounts for the financial year from 01-04-2018 to 31-03-2019 are approved.

Item No.5

To consider proposal for preparing a Strategic Development Plan-2020-2030 for the Institute

The in-charge Director briefed the Council members about the need to prepare a long-term Strategic Development Plan for the college. Such a plan is very much required and indeed insisted by various committees which visit the College for one or the other kind of evaluation. The members agreed to the idea and suggested that senior academicians like IIT Directors and Deans should be incorporated in the Committee preparing the draft of the plan. Dr.Gupchup suggested the names of Dr. S. G. Dhande, former Director IIT Kanpur and Dr. R. K. Shevgaonkar former Director, IIT Delhi. After some discussion, it was then resolved that the in-charge Director should constitute a committee of eminent academicians as suggested and present an outline of the draft in the next meeting of the Council.

Item No.6:

To consider proposal for shortlisting various professionals required for development and maintenance work in the college campus

The in-charge Director reported that the college has need to commission various kinds of works related to structural audit and repairs of buildings, civil and electrical maintenance, construction plan for new buildings etc. for which there is a need for professional experts. It is no longer possible to manage these activities in-house. The in-charge Director therefore presented a proposal to empanel 2 to 3 professionals in each of these fields, who can be engaged as structural consultants, architects, electrical consultants for major works in the college. The Council members advised that proper pre-qualification criteria should be drawn up before tendering for shortlisting the best professionals. It was then resolved that the in-charge Director is permitted to shortlist through a tendering process, a panel of high quality professional consultants for civil and electrical work to be carried out in the college.

Item No.7:

Any other item with the permission of Chair

The in-charge Director took permission of the Chairman and presented two more items.

Additional Item No.1: Starting Ph.D. Programs under Autonomous Status

The in-charge Director sought in-principle permission of the Council to start doctoral programs in the existing engineering branches, as the same are now permitted by the UGC and the state government. The members welcomed the idea and advised the in-charge Director to follow the process. It was then resolved that

the in-charge Director is permitted to start Ph.D. programs at the institute level under autonomy by following due process and by ensuring that such programs meet the highest standards.

Additional Item No.2: Granting permission to Shri Vijay P. Mohale for Ph.D. program at IIT Roorkee under QIP scheme

The in-charge Director requested the Council's permission to allow Shri Vijay P. Mohale, Asst. Professor in Electrical Engineering Dept., to join Ph.D. program at IIT Roorkee under the QIP scheme. He assured the members that his application meets all the requirements of the QIP scheme as well as the Institute guidelines for the employees. Members considered the request. It was then resolved that the application of Shri Vijay P. Mohale, Asst. Professor in Electrical Engineering, for joining Ph.D. program at IIT Roorkee under the terms and conditions of the QIP scheme is approved.

There being no other item, the meeting ended with thanks to the chair.

Date: 4th June 2019

SECRETARY

CHAIRMAN