

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KARNATAKA, SURATHKAL
MANGALORE – 575 025**

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Proceedings of the 19th meeting of the Board of Governors (BOG) of N.I.T.K., Surathkal held on 29.03.2009 at 12.00 Noon in Hotel Atria, Bangalore.

Members Present:

Prof. Goverdhan Mehta
Chairman BOG, NITK
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Chairman

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Member

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Member

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Member

Dr. Sandeep Sancheti,
Director, N.I.T.K., Surathkal,
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Member

Sri Jora M. Gonda

Asst. Professor, Dept. of E & E Engg.,
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Member

Dr. M. Govinda Raj

Registrar, NITK, Surathkal
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Member-Secretary

Members who expressed their inability to attend the meeting:

Sri N.K. Sinha,

Joint Secretary (T),
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Department of Secondary & Higher Education,
Ministry of Human Resource Development,
Shastri Bhavan,
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Member

Dr. S. Srinivas Murthy

Prof. of Mechanical Engg.
I.I.T., Madras,
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Member

Sri A.S. Srikanth

Secretary to G.O.K.
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Member

Dr.Gajanan R. Ekbote,

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Member

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Member

Dr. K. Chandrashekar Shet
Professor
Dept. of Computer Engg.,
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Member

The Chairman welcomed all the members of the Board of Governors. With the permission of the Chair, Secretary, BOG began the deliberations on the Agenda items.

A. Confirmation of the Minutes of 18th Meeting of Board of Governors held on 31.01.2009.

The Minutes of the 18th meeting of the BOG were circulated to all the members and no comments were received. Hence the Minutes are confirmed.

B. Review of the action taken on the Resolutions passed at the 18th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 31.01.2009 at 11.00 a.m.

The action taken on the resolutions of the 18th BOG meeting were noted by the Board.

C. Recommendations of Finance Committee Meeting held on 29.03.2009 at 11.00 A.M. in Hotel Atria, Bangalore are placed before the Board of Governors(BOG) meeting for taking decision.

Reporting Item/Information Item:

Item No. 19 BOG/15 FC 1: Minutes of the Building and Works Committee Meeting held on 24.01.2009.

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Recommendation of the Finance Committee

The progress of infrastructure development in the Institute was briefed to the members. The green features of the Mega Hostel and the status of its progress to accommodate the additional intake of students in July 2009 was

discussed. The approval granted for construction of Mechanical Engineering Block; Basic Sciences Block; New Ladies Hostel building etc was noted by the members. Chairman emphasized the need for having empanelled Architectural consultants, so that the new projects are designed with proper aesthetics; amenities; space utilization and green features.

The FC noted the minutes of Building and Works Committee meeting.

Resolution of the BOG

The BOG resolved to approve the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

Item No. 19 BOG/15 FC2: Sanction of 50% subsidy to the Mess Employees.

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Recommendation of the Finance Committee

The status of mess employees in NITK hostels was discussed. The Chairman, after deliberations indicated the need to outsource all such activities, to the extent feasible. The FC noted the details regarding implementation of revised scales to the mess employees.

Resolution of the BOG

The BOG resolved to approve the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

Discussion and Decision Items:

**Item No. 19 BOG/15 FC 3: Payment of pro-rata pension
Dr. S. Sudaramoorthy,
Asst. Professor, Dept. of Chemical
Engg.(Resigned).**

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Recommendation of the Finance Committee

The FC resolved to recommend to the BOG to approve the payment of pro-rata pension in respect of Dr. S. Sundaramoorthy, who joined Pondicherry Engineering College, in accordance with the norms and rules of the Institute based on the service rendered in NITK.

Resolution of the BOG

The BOG resolved to approve the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

Item No. 19 BOG/15 FC 4: Uniform Room rent for Hostel students.

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Recommendation of the Finance Committee

The FC discussed the room rent being charged for hostel accommodation of students. After deliberations, the Finance Committee resolved to recommend to the BOG to approve the revised rent charge of Rs. 5000 per year for single seater accommodation and Rs. 4000 per year for shared accommodation.

Resolution of the BOG

The BOG resolved to approve the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

Item No. 19 BOG/15 FC 5 : Ceiling limit of Medical Reimbursement Claim.

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Recommendation of the Finance Committee

The Finance Committee discussed the various dimensions of the issue of Medical expenditure; treatment and the current ceiling limit of Rs. 1 lakh per employee per annum. Members were informed regarding the Central Medical Attendance rules and the package rates for specialized treatments.

The "Medical Insurance Scheme" prevailing in some Institutes and its benefits were discussed. After deliberations the Finance Committee resolved to recommend to the BOG to modify the medical reimbursement claims of employees as follows:

- i) The ceiling limit for employees shall remain at Rs. 1 lakh per annum.
- ii) In respect of package rates prescribed under CGHS, as per Central Medical Attendance rules any treatment costing more than Rs. 50,000/- shall not be counted as part of the ceiling limit, in that year.

In addition, the Finance Committee suggested to discuss the adoption of a suitable Medical Insurance Policy for the employees and bring the proposal for approval of FC/BOG. The above changes shall be effective from the financial year 2009-10.

Resolution of the BOG

The BOG resolved to approve the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

Recommendation from Senate:

Item No. 19 BOG/15 FC 6: Fee payment structure for B.Tech & M.Tech Students.

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Recommendation of the Finance Committee

The difference in fee structure between regular and self-supporting M.Tech programmes was noted. After deliberations, the Finance Committee resolved to recommend to the BOG to approve the revised fee structure for B.Tech & /M.Tech students from the Academic year 2009-10.

Resolution of the BOG

The BOG resolved to approve the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

D. Items placed before the 19th meeting of Board of Governors(BOG) held on 29.03.2009.

Item No. 19 BOG 1 : MoUs signed.

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The BOG noted the MoU signed by NITK with Chonnam National University(CNU) of South Korea.

Item No. 19 BOG 2: Construction of Mega Hostel Complex in NITK, Surathkal – Progress of work as at the end of February, 2009 – Reg.

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The progress of constructional activities were reviewed, especially the incorporation of the green features related to solar heating and lightings. BOG suggested to ensure that one tower shall be ready for occupation in all respects by July 2009, to cater to the new intake requirements, as per CEI Act.

Item No. 19 BOG 3: Invitation to Director, NITK from Microsoft (India).

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BOG noted and approved the acceptance of the Invitation received by NITK Director to be as a member of the Academic Advisory Board of Microsoft (India) Ltd.

Item No. 19 BOG 4 : Faculty selections held during October 2008- status.

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BOG noted the addition of new faculty, who joined the Institute based on the interviews held in October, 2008.

Item No. 19 BOG 5: Golden Jubilee Celebrations of NITK during 2009-10.

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BOG discussed and noted the various activities proposed to be conducted by NITK during the Golden Jubilee year from 6th August, 2009 to 6th August, 2010. In this context, BOG suggested that the Institute should re-define itself by evolving a bold and dynamic "Post Golden Jubilee road map for NITK" and strive to achieve new milestones in its progress.

Item No. 19 BOG 5(i): Golden Jubilee Advisory Committee:

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BOG suggested the formation of a Golden Jubilee Advisory Committee with appropriate representation from Government; Alumni and others for smooth implementation of all the programmes/activities.

Item No. 19 BOG 5(ii): Golden Jubilee logo.

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Some of the designs of the proposed Golden Jubilee logo were shown Chairman, BOG suggested some modifications to a design and the same shall be incorporated and finalised.

Item No. 19 BOG 5(iii): 24th Indian Engineering Congress – December, 2009.

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BOG noted the organisation of Indian Engineering Congress in December, 2009.

Item No. 19 BOG 5(iv): 29th ISTE Annual Convention 2009.

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BOG noted the Organisation of 29th ISTE Annual Convention 2009 by NITK in December, 2009.

Item No. 19 BOG 5(v): Organisation of the 32nd Karnataka State Council of Science and Technology (KCST) Exhibition.

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BOG noted the organization of the 32nd Karnataka State Council of Science and Technology (KCST) Exhibition at NITK during September/October, 2009.

Discussion and Decision Items:

Item No. 19 BOG 6: Sanction of New faculty positions by MHRD.

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Members were informed about the sanction of 67 additional faculty positions based on the actual student strength in 2008-09, thus taking the total faculty strength to 263.

In view of the new norms of faculty to students ratio at 1:12, the need for appropriate re-distribution among the various departments was discussed. The different criteria to be followed for such re-distribution was also discussed. BOG opined that, in view of recent selections in October, 2008 efforts must be made to recruit new faculty in phases, induct and integrate them into the system by providing mentoring. It was also opined that, some positions should be kept flexible, so that these can be allotted to any department/center based on the exigencies of the situation and availability of talented personnel in a certain field.

It was resolved that a firm proposal in this respect shall be presented to the next BOG, for approval.

Item No. 19 FC 7: Non-teaching staff positions,

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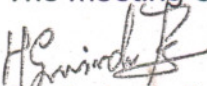
The BOG resolved to defer the matter and requested the Institute to bring the proposed new non-teaching staff structure based on a thorough review of technical and ministerial staff requirements in various departments and sections.

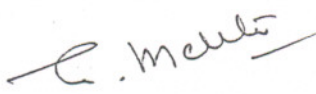
Item No. 19 FC 8: Strategic Plan for NITK.

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After brief discussions, it was resolved to circulate the "Draft Strategic Plan" to all the members and obtain their valued inputs for more meaningful discussion during the next BOG meeting.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.


(M. Govinda Raj)
Secretary, BOG
N.I.T.K., Surathkal


(Goverdhan Mehta)
Chairman, BOG
N.I.T.K., Surathkal