



SRI VASAVI ENGINEERING COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)

Pedatadepalli, TADEPALLIGUDEM – 534 101, W.G. Dist, (A.P.)

Minutes of the 20th Governing Body Meeting held on 21-09-2019 at 10.00 AM in the Board Room of Sri Vasavi Engineering College.

Members Present:

1. Sri O.P.Goenka	--	Chairman
2. Sri G. Satyanarayana	--	Member
3. Sri Ch.S.N.Murthy	--	Member
4. Sri Ch.V.V.Subba Rao	--	Member
5. Sri P.Venkateswara Rao	--	Member
6. Sri P. Bala Kasaiah	--	Member
7. Prof. T. Ramesh	--	Member
8. Prof. V.V.Subba Rao	--	Member
9. Sri.M.Mahesh	--	Member
10. Dr. J. Srihari Rao	--	Member
11. Prof. V.V.Hanumatha Rao	--	Member
12. Smt. G. Loshma	--	Member
13. Dr. P.V.V. Rama Rao	--	Invitee
14. Dr. Ch.Rambabu	--	Invitee
15. Sri Ch.Apparao	--	Invitee
16. Prof. Upendra D. Patel	--	Member
17. Dr.G.V.N.S.R.Ratnakara Rao	--	Principal & Member Secretary

Members requested for absence:

1. Sri V.Rajanna
2. Regional Officer, AICTE, SCRO
3. The Regional Joint Director, Technl. Edn., Kakinada.

20th BOG Meeting held on 21/09/2019

Minutes of the Meeting

Venue: Board Room, Sri Vasavi Engineering College

Meeting commenced at 10:00 A.M.

Item No 1: Welcome address

Dr. Guduru V N S R Ratanakara Rao, Principal & Member Secretary, welcomed the Chairman and Members of the BoG. He introduced Prof. Upendra D. Patel, who has been nominated as a member on the BoG by UGC, New Delhi and attended the BoG meeting for the first time. He introduced all other members of BoG to Prof. Upendra Patel.

During his opening remarks, Sri O.P.Goenka, Chairman of the BoG expressed that knowledge gap is playing key role in rural education. Indian economy is now in a slowdown and need critical analysis. Reviving of agriculture and managing the radical changes is most important in higher education. As Dr. Abdul Kalam's PURA programme, knowledge connectivity is today important in higher education in the rural areas. Techno literacy is more important than mere literacy to remove Non-Performing Assets (NPA), Non-Performing Knowledge (NPK), Non-Performing Talent (NPT) and Non-Performing Credibility (NPC). Students should be given opportunities to prove themselves. We should bring out the excellence in them and make them believe that 'Success is the shadow of Excellence'.

Item No 2: Approval of the minutes of the 19th meeting held on 01/09/2018

The minutes of the 19th meeting along with action taken report was presented by the Member Secretary and the same was approved by the Board.

Item No 3: Presentation of Progress Report

Dr. Ratnakar, Member Secretary of the BOG, presented the progress of the institution since the last meeting. The Board congratulated the college for getting NBA Accreditation for one Under Graduate Programme namely B.Tech in Electronics & Communication Engineering for a period of three years w.e.f the academic year 2019-20. The Board congratulated the faculty members who obtained Ph.D Degrees and those who completed NPTEL Certification. The Board appreciated the institution for sponsoring 4 students to UIF with Stanford University. The Board also congratulated Ms. Vardhineedi Mahalakshmi, who got selected in Amazon with 18 LPA, Mr. V.Lohith who got selected in TCS with 7 LPA and other students who got placement through Campus Selections during 2019-20. The Board congratulated the management for presenting the silver rings to all students who completed B.Tech. in the year 2019 during SAYONARA-2019 programme. The Board noted the progress of the college on various fronts.

Item No 4: To apprise the status of Admissions into various programmes for the academic year 2019-20

Details of admissions made in various programmes were presented to the Board. Dr. T. Ramesh, NIT Warangal and Dr. V.V.Subbarao, Registrar, JNTUK cautioned that the no. of admissions should not be less than 40%, as it is a mandatory for getting accreditation to any programme. Discussion was held on less no. of admissions in PG programmes also and the Board sought suggestions from the Registrar of JNTUK Dr. V.V.Subbarao. He explained that the government is also looking at this and trying to sort out the admissions issue in PG Programmes. Dr. T.Ramesh expressed his opinion that the new areas are to be identified to attract the students and suggested that the introduction of new programmes like Data Science in CSE, Machine Learning in Mechanical Engineering would be beneficial. Dr. Ratnakar, Member Secretary of the BoG, informed the Board that the AICTE also mentioned 12 thrust areas in engineering and suggested the institutions to come up with new programmes according to industry needs. Faculty are to be trained in those thrust areas and the required areas to be included in the curriculum of the programmes offered.

Item No 5: To Review the utilization of the budget 2018-19

The details of budget utilization for the year 2018-19 were presented. Board noted and approved the excess expenditure incurred under some of the heads of account. Sri M.Mahesh suggested that that more allocations for journals is needed. Dr. T.Ramesh also expressed that the expenditure should be more than allocation. The Board also suggested that the budget utilization under the faculty, staff training and R&D etc., should increase as it is very important to improve the quality of teaching-learning process. Prof. Upendra D. Patel suggested not to give incentives for paid publications and give only for those under UGC Care & SCOPUS listed for Engineering. Research will come from PG and give some funding to a few faculty from each department for purchases. Giving house in funding in the name of Research Seed Money and insisting on faculty to publish at least 1.5 papers in a year are suggested. Dr. Upendra D.Patel expressed that 450 SCOPUS papers in a year are needed for obtaining Deemed Status.

Item No 6: To approve the Proposed budget for 2019-20

Budget proposals for the year 2019-20 were presented and Board approved the proposed budget for Rs.25.08 Crores excluding building construction.

Item No 7: Approval of the minutes of the Academic Council meeting held on 02-06-2019

The minutes of the 3rd Academic Council meeting held on 02-06-2019 were presented to the Board and the same was approved by the Board.

Item No 8: To discuss about formation of the Finance Committee

With reference to the UGC guidelines regarding formation of Finance Committee at the institution, The Board approved to form the required Finance Committee as per the guidelines and Sri K.N.H.Srinivas, Senior faculty in ECE Dept. and Sri Ch.V.V.Subba Rao, Secretary & Correspondent of

the college are nominated as members in the Finance Committee. Prof. Upendra D. Patel informed that the finance committee has powers to monitor the budget estimates and utilization.

Item No 9: To approve the introduction of two new UG programmes from the academic year 2019-20.

Dr. Ratnakar, Member Secretary of the BoG, informed the Board that two new UG programs namely 1) B.Tech. in Computer Science & Technology (CST) and 2) B.Tech. in Electronics & Communication Technology (ECT) were introduced in the academic year 2019-20 with 60 intake in each branch. The Board noted and approved the same.

Item No 10: Ratification of faculty and staff appointments made since the last meeting

Details of faculty & staff appointments made since last meeting were presented to the Board and same was approved by the Board. Prof. Upendra D. Patel expressed his opinion that UGS has given guidelines for constituting the selection committee for faculty and staff appointments. Institution need not go to university ratification once the institution is granted autonomous status. The institution has to follow the guidelines of UGC & AICTE in faculty appointments. Dr. T.Ramesh suggested that guidelines for constituting a standard selection committee should be prepared for faculty appointments.

Item No 11: Any other item

Dr. V.V.Subbarao expressed that since the institution has significant growth in all aspects, it could have incorporated specialized and industry related courses in the branches of Mechanical, Civil and Electrical Engineering also. For M.Tech. programmes also some collaboration with the industry would be good. He said JNTUK is also encouraging the institutions which are have university approved research centers, by giving seed money of Rs.2.00 lakh from university.

Dr.Ramesh suggested the institution to concentrate on improving education in core branches and conducting of FDPs, i.e., at least 1 FDP from each department. Conducting of FDPs will give more weightage to the institutions in accreditation process. Chairman of the BoG suggested to focus on entrepreneurship development. Sri Apparao informed the Board that one of the students from ECE department started an organization in Tadepalligudem with an investment of Rs.70.00 lakh and two more students are also in the pipeline to become entrepreneurs soon. Chairman informed that the government is also coming out with tax-cutting policies for entrepreneurs. Board appreciated the T&P Cell for good results in 2019-20 and urged them to put more efforts in developing of communication skills of 3rd year students also by giving good training through programmes like 'Brush up your English'. The Board suggested to establish an Incubation Centre for 'Entrepreneurship Skills' and invite local entrepreneurs to start a startup in the college. Dr. Upendra D.Patel also expressed his opinion that Incubation/Innovation Centre will provide the required ambience and information to the students who are interested to become entrepreneurs.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks by Dr. Ratnakar, the Member Secretary.


CHAIRMAN