

Draft Minutes of the 32nd meeting of the Board of Governors of PEC University of Technology, Chandigarh, held on 05.05.2011 at 1230 Hours in the Conference Hall of PEC University of Technology, Chandigarh.

The following members attended the meeting:

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| 1. | Sh. Chandra Mohan | Chairman |
| 2. | Sh. Vijoy Kumar Singh | Vice-Chairman |
| 3. | Prof. R C Sobti | |
| 4. | Sh. S S Khara | |
| 5. | Dr. R P Gangurde | |
| 6. | Er. Sameer Goyal | |
| 7. | Er. Vikram Hans | |
| 8. | Prof. Sanjiv Sofat | |
| 9. | Prof. Siby John | |
| 10. | Prof. Manoj Datta | Director |
| 11. | Prof. Ashwani Kumar | Registrar - Member Secretary |

In attendance (Special Invitees):

1. Deputy Director
2. Prof. (Ms) Uma Batra
3. Prof. Parveen Kalra
4. Prof. Sanjiv Sofat

Leave of absence was granted to:

1. Er. B Mishra
2. Dr. Pawan Kapur
3. Prof. Anurag Sharma
4. Prof. D V Rai
5. Prof. B N Goswamy
6. Secretary MHA
7. Secretary MHRD

Agenda was taken up thereafter

Item No.	Item	Decision
32.1	To confirm the minutes of 31 st meeting of the Board of Governors held on 30.03.2011.	Confirmed. The Board authorized Chairman BOG to resolve the matter regarding comments of Prof. Siby John. The Chairman has since decided that the following be

		<p>placed on record:</p> <p>“ In respect of the comments of Prof. Siby John on the CAS Case before the High Court on the commitment for reconsideration of the cases rejected earlier made by Dy. Director & Registrar without BOG authorization, Chairman BOG explained that since repeated postponement of these cases dozens of items on procedural grounds had stalled PEC’s much-needed augmentation of Faculty, he himself had been chasing the Legal Adviser (LA) to expedite them. Phone discussion on the morning of the Hearing was the latest in which he had advised the LA to see that there was no further postponement and if needed, present some workable solution acceptable to the Court.</p> <p>In the above backdrop, LA’s attributing the Court Decision to the Dy. Director & Registrar without BOG authorization was purely a procedural courtesy by the LA to the Chairman BOG.</p> <p>In may be noted that revised CAS Selections as per the Court Order have already been held and Selection Committee Proceedings filed in the Court in a “Confidential Cover” as required on the due date.</p>
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		In the above backdrop, it was decided to expunge Prof. John's comments from the Minutes"
32.2	Follow-up action of 31 st BOG Meeting.	Noted.
32.3	<p>Items for Information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Letter to UGC regarding revision of MOA ii) NASA Moon Buggy Race iii) Blood Donation Camp iv) Open House 2011 	<p>Information (Annexure 32.3.1) noted. However, in respect of sub item (i) it was decided that a copy of Director's letter may also be forwarded to the senior official in MHRD dealing with Deemed Universities. Chandigarh Administration may also write to MHRD. Director PEC may also seek an appointment with the MHRD official as well as Chairman UGC to resolve the matter.</p> <p>In respect of Sub Item (ii) it was suggested that a scheme for promoting innovation and providing incentive to the students for the same should be brought out. Possibility of PEC joining hands with Panjab University to form a cluster for receiving funds from the Govt. for innovative projects may also be explored.</p> <p>The house was also given a presentation on the various options proposed by the Architect for the Academic Block Phase I. The proposal of having faculty offices in the centre</p>

		and labs / lecture theatres in the wings was considered desirable.
32.4	Enhancement of Hostel Fees with effect from July, 2011.	<p>Taking note of the fact that Students' representatives are aware of the proposed enhancement of fees and they were a part of the decision making process, the Board approved the proposal (Annexure 32.4.1).</p> <p>It was further decided that a review committee may be set up to study the working of hostels and messes and to suggest steps to be taken for their improvement.</p>
32.5	Revision of Special Allowance given to Staff Car Driver.	It was decided to enhance special allowance given to Staff Car Driver at PEC to Rs. 1400/-. Hereafter the special allowance should be at par with and in accordance with norms for staff car driver in the Chandigarh Administration secretariat.
32.6	Membership Fee of Professional Societies.	<p>It was decided that the current requests for reimbursement of life membership of Technical societies may be allowed subject to the limit of the maximum reimbursable amount already approved by the BOG.</p> <p>A comprehensive policy regarding reimbursement of membership fee may be framed for the future.</p>

32.7	Incentive Scheme for publication in international refereed journals.	The board approved the proposed scheme (Annexure 32.7.1) in principle. However it desired that the details of citation databases to be used for the purpose be listed.
32.8	Honorarium for Faculty / Industry Experts for various activities.	The proposal (Annexure 32.8.1) approved with the following modifications: i) Items 4 & 5 should be merged with the proposed norms being Rs.2000/- per Lecture. ii) The amount payable to an individual shall not exceed Rs. 25000/- in a month. iii) Feedback should be obtained from the students regarding a guest faculty. It was further decided that the norms would be reviewed after six months.
32.9	Revised Faculty, Technical and Supporting Staff Positions for Self-Supporting Programmes	Approved as proposed (Annexure 32.9.1).
32.10	Road Map-Implementation of individual measurable annual targets for Sponsored Research	Approved (Annexure 32.10.1).
32.11	Guidelines for attending National Conferences / Seminars / Workshops / Short Courses / Summer and Winter Schools / other academic programmes etc.	Approved (Annexure 32.11.1). May be reviewed after one year.
32.12	Minimum Qualifications for CAS / direct recruitment of Faculty	Deferred to next meeting.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Items for Information

(i) Letter to UGC regarding revision of MOA

In pursuance of the decision taken in the previous Board meeting, the Director has written to the UGC Chairman after consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Board. The letter may be seen as Annexure 32.3.1.

(ii) Participation in NASA Moonbuggy Race

Two teams ROUGH RIDER and ARYABHATT, from PEC University of Technology won the “Best performance in International Teams” at the 18th annual Great Moonbuggy Race. The race was held at Huntsville, Alabama at the US Space and Rocket Centre on April 1 and 2, 2011. The participants were required to design a vehicle that addressed a series of engineering problems in order to move on a simulated moon-surface. Out of the total 89 participating teams, very few could complete the race. It took the teams 6 months to design the vehicle which cost Rs. 1.5-2 lakhs. The project was sponsored by Tata Steel, Nectar Life Science, Swaraj, Safran Engineering Services India, Punjab Government, Department of Science and Technology, Chandigarh Administration, PEC Alumni and PEC University of Technology.

(iii) Blood Donation Camp Organized By NSS Unit of PEC University of Technology

The bi-annual Blood donation Camp of PEC University of Technology, Chandigarh in collaboration with PGIMER was held at the college campus on 31st March 2011. Students, faculty and staff who have donated blood at least 5 times were felicitated by awarding them a token of appreciation. A total 333 units of blood were donated. The students were also given the donor cards that can help them to get blood in times of need.

(iv) OPEN HOUSE 2011

Open House 2011 was held at PEC University of Technology on 30th April, 2011. A first of its kind in the region, PEC Open House is an annual event, organized with the aim to encourage the young school students to pursue engineering as their career. The visiting school students from more than 20 schools were taken on well-guided tours to various kiosks being put up in all the departments where they witnessed several interesting engineering projects &

working models developed by the students of the college, including award winning entries at several technical competitions. Best projects were also given awards.