

Draft Minutes of the 31st meeting of the Board of Governors of PEC University of Technology, Chandigarh, held on 30.03.2011 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. | Dr. Pawan Kapur | |
| 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. Nitin Peshawaria
2. Er. B Mishra
3. Prof. Anurag Sharma
4. Prof. D V Rai
5. Prof. B N Goswamy
6. Er. Vikram Hans
7. Secretary MHA
8. Secretary MHRD

Agenda was taken up thereafter

Item No.	Item	Decision
31.1	To confirm the minutes of 30 th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 21.12.2010.	Confirmed.
31.2	Follow-up action of 30 th BOG Meeting.	Noted.

31.3	Items for Information: (i) Star News Award for PEC (ii) Faculty Workshop on Leadership (iii) Athletics Meet (iv) Progress in Consultancy (v) Enhanced Plan Grant	Noted. However, in respect of sub item (iv), the Board observed that in the areas of Production Engg., Computer Science & Engg., and Information Technology, the magnitude of consultancy being done by the institute was low. The Board desired that efforts should be made to increase the consultancy in these areas and to further increase the magnitude of consultancy in other areas.
31.4	To consider the recommendations of Finance Committee	Approved (Annexure 31.4.1)
31.5	Norms to have at least one Co-PI along with a PI in all Projects at PEC University of Technology.	Approved (Annexure 31.5.1)
31.6	Starting of 3 new Academic Programmes	Starting of the proposed 3 new academic programmes on self-financing basis was approved (Annexures 31.6.1, 31.6.2 & 31.6.3). However, the Board desired that efforts should be made to subsidize the fee for these courses in the case of reserved category / economically weaker students (may be in the form of scholarships from Industry / Govt.)
31.7	Creation of Posts for New Programmes	Approved (Annexure 31.7.1)
31.8	Rules & Procedures for M.Sc. Programmes	Approved (Annexure 31.8.1)
31.9	Dissociation of C-DAC Mohali from ME (EPDT) – Discontinuation of Programme	Approved.

31.10	Incentives to Staff on acquiring Higher Qualifications	The Board granted in-principle approval for adoption of Central Govt. Scheme to provide lump sum incentive to members of the non-teaching staff on acquiring higher qualifications. Scope of the scheme as given in Annexure 31.10.2 may be suitably extended to cover all categories of non-teaching staff.
31.11	Synergy Block & Extension of Shivalik Hostel	<p>The Board approved the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Director was authorized to approve the drawings of Synergy Block (Phase-I) and Shivalik Hostel, as already recommended by the Master Plan and Space Committee. (ii) The budget of Shivalik Hostel Extension was approved. (iii) Discussions on enhancement of the budget Synergy Block from Rs. 5 crores to Rs. 8.96 crores were not conclusive. (iv) For planning, design and execution of major new construction projects, it was decided that the committee may be formed at the institute level instead of the Board level. (v) New Academic Block and Hostel Extension be given highest priority.
31.12	New Academic Block	Approved (Annexure 31.12.1)

31.13	Minimum Qualifications for CAS / direct recruitment of Faculty	Item No. 31.13 shall be taken up in the next meeting of BOG along with any additional agenda. This meeting may be convened in near future.
31.14	Court Orders regarding CAS	It was decided that the court order (Annexure 31.14.1) should be implemented. Sh. S. S. Khara, JSTE, suggested that it should be examined if the case of other similarly situated faculty members, who are not petitioners in the court case, can also be taken up on same grounds.
31.15	Adoption of UGC Gazette 2010 for Deemed Universities and corresponding amendment in the MOA/Rules of PEC Society.	The Board noted that while considering the proposal for granting Deemed to be University status to Punjab Engineering College, MHRD on the recommendation of UGC, had desired that the governance structure etc. of the Institute should be similar to that of IITs (Letter no. F.9-38/2001-03 dated 24 th July 2003 from Deputy Secretary, MHRD, attached as Annexure 31.15.1). The same was concurred by the Chandigarh Administration vide letter no. 11/23/152-IH(2)-2003/16932 dated 9-9-2003 from Home Secretary Chandigarh Administration to Secretary MHRD (Annexure 31.15.2). The existing MOA of PEC Society has been modelled accordingly and, after its approval by

		<p>MHRD, has been in place for more than 5 years. The gazette notification – UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations 2010 – is at variance with this.</p> <p>PEC has been a premier institute of engineering & technology of northern India which somehow could not be converted into an IIT or an NIT. In view of the unique character of PEC, the Board decided that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) UGC gazette of 2010 may be adopted (with the exception of (i) below) and approval of Chandigarh Administration may be obtained for the same.(i) The governing structure and other features of PEC MOA / Rules may be in line with the MHRD letter referred above.(b) Director of PEC may take up the matter with UGC / MHRD, under the guidance of Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the BoG, regarding the governing structure and other features of PEC MOA / Rules.
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Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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