

Subject: Approved Minutes of the 55th meeting of the Board of Governors of Punjab Engineering College (Deemed to be University), Chandigarh.

A Brief of meeting and participants:

Date/ Day/ Time	09.03.2018 (Friday) at 10:00 A.M.			
Venue	Board Room, 2 nd floor, Administrative Block, Punjab Engineering College (Deemed to be University), Sector -12, Chandigarh			
In chair	Sh. Som Mittal, Chairman Board of Governors			
List of Participants	S.No	Name (Sh./ Mr./ Dr./ Prof.)	Designation	Designation in BOG
	1	Sh. Harish Nayyar, IAS Special Secretary Finance	Nominee of Finance Secretary, Chandigarh Administration	Member
	2	Sh. Arun Kumar Grover	Vice Chancellor, PU	Member
	3	Sh. Rubinder Singh Brar, PCS	Joint Secretary Technical Education	Member
	4	Dr. Rajesh Khanna	Nominee of Director IIT Delhi	Member
	5	Sh. Sanjeev Aggarwal	Founder & Senior Managing Director, Helion Ventures	Member
	6	Sh. Satpal Singh *, Registrar (Academics)	Director & Principal, Sector: 32, Chandigarh	Member
	7	Prof. Siby John	Head CED	Member
	8	Prof. Sanjeev Sofat	Head CSE	Member
	9	Prof. Manoj K. Arora	Director	Member
	10	Dr. Sushant Samir	Registrar (Ad-interim)	Member Secretary
	11	Ms. Pamela Kumar	Director General, TSDSI	Co-opted member
	12	Ms Kanika Marwaha	Director, University Options	Co-opted member
	13	Sh. Manish Jindal	Immediate Past Registrar	Special Invitee
14	Sh. Naresh Saini	AC F&A	Special Invitee	
Leave of absence accorded	1	Sh. Anurag Agarwal	Secretary Technical Education	Member
	2	Sh. Rajive Kumar; Adviser – I (P&AP)	Nominee of the Department of Secondary Education & Higher Education, MHRD, GOI	Member
	3	Sh. A.V. Dharma Reddy	Nominee of Ministry of Home Affairs, GOI	Member
	4	-	Nominee of the Chairman UGC	Member
	5	Mr. Rohit Grover	Chairman CII, Northern Region	Member
	6	Prof. R.K. Sinha	Director, CSIO Chandigarh	Member
	7	Prof. N. Sathyamurthy	Former Director, IISER, Mohali	Member
	8	Sh. A.K. Taneja	MD & CEO Shriram Pistons & Rings, New Delhi	Member
	9	Sh. Pawan Aggarwal, IAS	CEO, Food Safety & Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)	Member

* Participated as Nominee.

At the outset, Chairman BoG informed the members about another term for Prof. Manoj Kumar Arora, as the Director. It was welcomed by all the members. BOG also thanked His Excellency and the Administrator, U.T. Chandigarh for this decision. It was also informed to house that Mr. Manish Kumar Jindal, Former Registrar PEC has joined QCI as CEO.

B. The brief of proceedings is as follows:

Item No.	Item	Decision
55.1	Approval of Minutes of 54 th BOG meeting	Approved as proposed.
55.2	Action Taken report on decisions of 54 th BOG meeting	Noted.
55.3	Presentation by Director	<p>The Director presented a report on the progress made by the institute during last 4 years. The achievements made by the institute were highly appreciated. The Director emphasized the contribution of faculty, staff and students and directions of the Board in achieving tangible results. He also presented future roadmap of the institute for next five years. On the proposed future roadmap, it was observed that:</p> <p>a) The proposed nomenclatures of various centers and institutes may be aligned as per global practices.</p>

		<p>b) The partnership with PGI, PU, NITTTR and other organizations may also be explored for creation of new centres/facilities.</p> <p>The presentation also included update on the progress of i) Siemens Center of Excellence (CoE) ii) CAS/Direct Recruitment and iii) Process for recruitment on additional 28 faculty positions.</p> <p>It was suggested that the proposed MOU between PEC & COE, duly vetted by the Legal Advisor, be also sent to engineers of Shriram Pistons and Rings for their comments, as they were also involved in the process.</p>
55.4	Conversion of Positions of Sports Faculty	<p>After detailed deliberations and taking into consideration the views expressed by BOG members, it was agreed that once the sanctioned faculty positions are filled to the full capacity, then only the issue of sports faculty conversion will be of any practical consonance. Hence, efforts may be made to fill vacant positions and once it is done the issue may be reviewed. Meanwhile</p>

		the Sports Officers/ Instructors/ Coaches on the lines of IIT/ NIT may be engaged. Further, the implementation of restructuring committee report is also expedited.
55.5	Promotion to the post of Superintendent – CWP filed by Ms. Suman Lata, Sr. Assistant pending for final decision	Status quo will continue till instructions are received from the U.T. Chandigarh.
55.6	Representation for Regularization of Non-Govt. employee of Sports Department – Sh. Balwinder Singh, Clerk	The case with all facts may be referred to Secretary, Technical Education, UT Chandigarh, for examination and directions.
55.7	Appointment of New Registrar	Noted. With regard to the advertisement for the post of Registrar issued recently, regarding the age of 55 years, one of the views was that candidates intending to come on deputation may be allowed even if they have available tenure of 03 years. However, after looking into all dimensions, it was agreed that as of now the recruitment may be made as advertised. Board nominated Vice Chancellor, Panjab University as its nominee on the selection committee.

55.8	Relaxation for the period of exercising of option of ACP – 4, 9 & 14	The proposal was rejected.
55.9	Budget proposal for 2017-18 and 2018-19.	Revised estimate 2017-18 and Budget estimate 2018-19 was approved with the direction to mention Donation and Grant-in-aid (Revenue & Capital) separately in Budget estimate 2018-19.
55.10	Ex-post facto approval of relieving of Mr. Manish Kumar, Registrar	Approved as proposed.
55.11	Ex-post facto approval of Financial cases	<p>Approval was accorded to the revised cost estimates for Community Centre project and the Renovation of Shivalik Hostel toilets. The Board was apprised of the reasons for enhancement, i.e., GST, time delay between initial approval and execution, replacement of DSR 2012 by DSR 2016.</p> <p>Approval was also accorded to the estimates for new works, namely, Fire Fighting system and the construction of boundary wall of residences.</p> <p>The Board opined that as far as possible, the issues of financial approval to the Board must be</p>

		brought once the financial figures are frozen.
55.12	Maternity leave to the employees working on contract basis	Noted.
55.13	Counting of Past Service	It was informed that the financial liability has been estimated to be Rs. 5.12 Crores. The details of financial liability need to be routed through AC (F&A). Regarding budget allocation, provisions may be made at the time of revised estimate exercise. As far as payment of arrear is concerned, the same may be done in stages as per availability of budget/ allocation of budget. This exercise shall be independent of ongoing CAS.
55.14	Renovation of Guest House	Noted.
55.15	Interest on GPF for the year 2017-18 (01.04.17 to 31.12.17)	Noted.
55.1 (S)	Direct recruitment of faculty	Ratified.
55.2 (S)	Changes in agreement bond for permission of higher studies	Approved for introduction of portion of the clause <i>"or failing to complete the course of study"</i> into the bond/ agreement.
55.3 (S)	Allocation of Funds from "Institute R&D funds" for	Approved as proposed. It was

	execution of DST sponsored "FIST Project" in ECE Department	suggested that clean room facility may be expanded based on the future requirement. In case, a larger facility is required, the institute should support this. A team of faculty may also visit IIT Delhi, where such a facility has been recently created.
55.4 (S)	Regarding fixation of pay of Store Keepers at par with that of Clerks	The case is referred to Finance Department of U.T. Chandigarh.
55.5 (S)	Request for regularization of service of contractual employees	The case may be referred to Finance Department of U.T. Chandigarh.
55.6 (S)	Activities under TEQIP – III	Ratified.
55.1 (T)	Agenda and Minutes of BWC Meeting	Approved.
55.2 (T)	Items emerging out of BWC meeting	<p>It was noted that out of 06 proposed works, the approval on 04 works has been given under item no. 55.11.</p> <p>For the remaining two works, i.e., Renovation of Main Gate and Road work and Sports Complex, the revised approval was accorded. The Board reiterated that as far as possible the cases shall be brought to the notice of the Board once financials are frozen.</p>

		<p>Regarding the swimming pool work, it was opined that the possibility of converting the present old swimming pool into an all- weather swimming pool be also explored. The costs may be worked out accordingly.</p> <p>It was also informed that provision of sprinkler irrigation system for athletic field and the cricket ground is also under consideration.</p>
55.3 (T)	Utilization of Space in SPIC Building	Approved as proposed. This block may be named a Technology Block.
55.4 (T)	Change of nomenclature of M.Tech Programme	Noted. To be implemented from the academic session 2019-20.
55.5 (T)	Establishment of Centre of Excellence	Noted.
55.6 (T)	Status of works	Noted.

Other Observations:

1. It was observed that the consent of students of all the batches be taken for awarding of degree of B.E./ B.Tech, M.E./ M.Tech.
2. While working renovation/ expansion, the feedback from Student Council may also be obtained.
3. Focus may be laid on attracting more number of girl candidates especially for P.G. and Ph.D. Programmes. One of the proposed idea was to create exclusive residential facility with attached toilet for these candidates. Director informed that Research Scholars accommodation may be considered for girl scholars, while Studio apartments may be considered for Boys Scholars/ Unmarried faculty.

4. PEC jointly with U.T. Chandigarh should make efforts with MHRD to treat the institute as a centrally funded institute so as to participate in various Govt. of India schemes, e.g. PM Fellowships, GIAN, IMPRINT etc.
5. In order to promote relationships with the foreign institutions, the idea of having split Ph.D was floated. In this approach, whereas the degrees will be awarded by the PEC, but some portion of the work by the research scholars may be undertaken by the universities abroad.
6. Regarding staff, it was suggested to introduce more schemes for the welfare of employees.

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**Registrar
(Ad-interim)**