

# **GOVERNMENT ENGINEERING COLLEGE BARTON HILL**

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**Venue : Conference Hall, GEC Barton Hill**

## **Minutes**



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### Minutes

#### Members Present:

1. Prof. V. G. Idichandy, Professor Emeritus, IIT Madras (Chairman)
2. Prof. K. Kurien Issac, Sr. Professor IIST
3. Shri. M. Sherif, Addl. Secretary, Higher Education
4. Prof. R. Sathikumar, University Nominee
5. Dr. K. Vijayakumar, Director of Technical Education
6. Smt. V. Santhakumari, Senior Joint Director(ECS) DTE
7. Dr. G. Ramachandran, Professor, GEC Barton Hill
8. Dr. N. Vijayakumar, Professor, GEC Barton Hill
9. Dr. B. Anil, Principal, GEC Barton Hill

#### Special Invitees

1. Dr. Savier J. S., TEQIP Coordinator
2. Prof. Sheela S., EAP Coordinator
3. Dr. A. Dorothy, Academic Coordinator
4. Prof. Balu John, Procurement Coordinator
5. Dr. Shine Lal E., Nodal Officer, Monitoring Committee
6. Dr. Girija K., R&D Coordinator
7. Prof. Satheebhai P. R., HoD IT
8. Dr. Bindu Kumar.K., HoD ME
9. Dr. Biji Jacob, HoD ECE

Meeting started at 10.30 am with Prof. V. G. Idichandy on Chair.

Chairman welcomed the members and called the meeting to order . Dr. B. Anil reported that Prof. Srinivasan Sundarrajan (AICTE nominee) has expressed his inability to attend the meeting due to pre-occupations. Chairman allowed leave of absence to the member. Principal also informed that the nomination from Government for Industry representative is awaited.

Dr. B. Anil, Principal made a brief presentation of the highlights of major activities of the Institution during the period after the last BoG meeting. The BoG expressed satisfaction and congratulated the efforts taken by the Principal and the team in implementing the project in a commendable way. He emphasised the need to strengthen the activities of R&D and IIC activities. Principal assured that in the action plan, steps have been included to enhance the activities in these areas. Principal informed the committee about the NBA accreditation visit, and requested DTE for retaining the faculty transferred till the visit of the accreditation team. The BoG members endorsed the suggestion. Chairman suggested that the institution shall apply for NAAC Accreditation and it will help in getting the autonomy status from UGC. The committee recommended to apply for NAAC accreditation.

The agenda items were taken for discussion and following decisions are made.

**BG.12.1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of BoG held on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2015.**

The Board of Governors confirmed the minutes.

**BG.12.2. Action taken - Reporting of**

Action taken based on the 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of BoG was presented by Dr. B. Anil. The BoG expressed satisfaction over the progress made.

**BG.12.3. Status of TEQIP activities – Reporting of**

The status of TEQIP activities as on March 2015 was presented by Dr. B Anil. BoG reviewed the activities and expressed satisfaction on overall progress made in the execution of the TEQIP project. However, BoG expressed their concern regarding the slow progress in R&D activities and IIC activities. Principal assured that necessary steps are included in the action plan for the rest of the period to accelerate the activities.

**BG.12.4. Ratification of Vision and Mission of the institution**

The BoG ratified the action of Chairman, BoG in approving the Vision and Mission.

**BG.12.5. Revised Action Plan – Approval**

The Revised action plan for FSD, EAP, R&D and IIC presented were approved.

**BG.12.6. Annual Report of the Institution – Approval regarding**

The BoG approved the annual report of the institution for the financial year 2014-15.



**BG.12.7. Approval of attending International programmes by faculty – reg**

The BoG approved the following international travel proposals.

- A. Dr. Jiji Anna Varughese for presenting the following three research papers in the 5<sup>th</sup> Structural Engineering World Congress (SEWC 2015) scheduled to be conducted at Singapore from 19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2015.
1. Seismic behaviour of concrete gravity dams (Jiji Anna Varughese and Sreelakshmi V N)
  2. Modeling of hydrodynamic effects on elevated R C water tanks under seismic excitations (Jiji Anna Varughese, Girija K, Naveen Manuel and Divya Chandran)
  3. Analysis of skew bridges (Jiji Anna Varughese and Sujith P S)
- B. Dr. Bindukumar K for attending “The Cambridge Tribology Course: Friction, Wear and Lubrication” at Cambridge, UK from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2015.
- C. Dr. B. Anil, Principal for visiting National University of Singapore for initiating collaboration with NUS for the M.Tech in Translational Engineering during July 2015.
- D. Dr. Savier. J S, Associate Professor, EEE for visiting National University of Singapore for collaborating research activities with NUS during October 2015.

**BG.12.8. Permission of Air travels by officers – regarding**

BoG ratified the Air journey performed by the following officers.

Sl. No.	Name of Faculty	Programme Details	Date
1	Lini R. Chandran Dr Raji M	Emotional Intelligence and Interpersonal Skills, ESCI, Hyderabad	05-07 May 2015
2	Rendhir R. Prasad Ambily N	Pedagogical Workshop- IIT Madras	25- 27 May 2015

The BoG approved the air journey planned by the following officer.

Sl. No	Name of Faculty	Programme Details	Date
1	Jiji Anna Varughese	5th Structural Engineers World Congress (SEWC 2015) at Singapore	19-22 Oct 2015
2	Dr. Bindukumar K.	The Cambridge Tribology Course: Friction, Wear and Lubrication, Cambridge, UK	21 – 23 Sept 2015
3	Dr. B. Anil	National University of Singapore	July 2015 (date of journey to be finalized)
4	Dr. Savier J S	National University of Singapore	October 2015

**BG.12.9. Strategic Development and Governance Plan – Ratification of Approval**

The BoG ratified the approval of Strategic Development and Governance plan by the Chairman.

**BG.12.10. Institutional Performance Assessment – Discussion regarding**

The BoG approved the institutional performance assessment report.

**BG.12.11. Norms for the Conduct of National and International Conference – approval reg.**

The BoG approved the norms changes.

- a) Suggested that the Honorarium to the faculty from abroad is not needed and has to be avoided as far as possible
- b) The overall expenses for the Ta/DA of faculty from abroad has to be enhanced to Rs. 2.5 lakh per expert.
- c) The faculty from international institutions may be treated as of same category irrespective of whether they are of foreign origin or Indian origin.
- d) Sponsorships and donations can be can be accepted for conduct of the programme. The amount so collected can be spent as per the decision of the organising committee.
- e) As the total expense of conducting the event depends on the number of participants, fixing an upper limit for conducting the conference doesn't make sense and hence need not removed.
- f) The BoG entrusted Principal to incorporate the the changes and circulate the same among members of BoG.

**BG.12.12. Self assessment report of performance of BoG – Approval regarding**

The Self assessment report was examined and approved by the BoG. BoG expressed satisfaction over the improvement of the performance.

**BG.12.13. Nomination of Institutional member of BoG – Regarding**

The BoG nominated Prof. Sheela S. as the new institutional BoG member in place of to the Dr. G Ramachandran who is due for retirement from service on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2015. BoG expressed their great satisfaction and admiration towards the services of Dr. G Ramachandran as a BoG member.

**BG.12.14. Shortage of Faculty, Technical Staff and Supporting Staff – Discussion and action to be taken.**

The BoG entrusted the Chairman to address the issue to Government.

