MINUTES OF THE SEVENTEENTH (17TH) MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE INSTITUTE HELD ON 14.04.2023 AT 12.30 P.M. IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM (1ST FLOOR) OF TIH BUILDING, IIT (BHU) VARANASI (Confirmed by the Board vide Resolution no. 18.1 dated 28.06.2023)

Members Present:

1. Dr. Kota Harinarayana :Chairman

[Through video-conferencing]

2. Prof. Pramod Kumar Jain :Member

3. Prof. Praveen Kumar :Member

[Through video-conferencing]

4. Prof. Vinay Kumar Pathak : Member

[Through video-conferencing]

5. Prof. Sunil Mohan :Member

6. Prof. Vikash Kumar Dubey : Member

7. Dr. Sarvesh Kumar Tiwari, Registrar (I/C) : Secretary

The Joint Secretary (Technical Education), MoE or his representative could not attend the meeting.

At the outset, the Director extended a very warm welcome to Dr. Kota Harinarayana, Chairman, Board of Governors and requested him for opening remarks.

Then the Agenda items were taken up for discussion.

BoG Resol.No.17.1 Item No.17.1

CONSIDERED ratification of the minutes of the 16th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 25.11.2022.

RESOLVED that in terms of BoG Resolution No. 8.1 dated 26.04.2019, the minutes of the 16th meeting of the Board of Governors, held on 25.11.2022 placed at Appendix - 17.1-B of the Agenda approved by the Chairman, be ratified.

BoG Resol.No.17.2 Item No.17.2

CONSIDERED recording of the Action Taken Report on the minutes of the 16th meeting of the Board of Governors held on 25.11.2022.

The members perused the Action Taken Report on the minutes of the 16th meeting of the Board of Governors, held on 25.11.2022.

RESOLVED that the Action Taken Report on the minutes of the 16th meeting of the Board of Governors, held on 25.11.2022, placed at Appendix 17.2-A of the agenda, be approved and recorded.

BoG Resol.No.17.3 Item No.17.3

CONSIDERED recording of the Minutes of the 14th Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 25.11.2022 at IIT (BHU), Varanasi.

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the 14th Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 25.11.2022, as per Appendix-17.3-A of the agenda, be recorded.

BoG Resol.No.17.4 Item No.17.4

A. CONSIDERED recording of the minutes of the 18th meeting of the Building and Works Committee, IIT (BHU) held on 20.11.2022 at IIT (BHU), Varanasi.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the 18th meeting of the Building and Works Committee of the Institute held on 20.11.2022, as per Appendix-17.4-A of the agenda, be recorded.

B. CONSIDERED recording of the minutes of the 19th meeting of the Building and Works Committee, IIT (BHU) held on 17.02.2023 at IIT (BHU), Varanasi.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the 19th meeting of the Building and Works Committee of the Institute held on 17.02.2023, as per Appendix-17.4-B of the agenda, be recorded.

BoG Resol.No.17.5 Item No.17.5

CONSIDERED recording of the minutes of Building & Works Committee, on Agenda (by circulation) and to ratify the approval of Chairman, BoG on the aforementioned minutes of B&WC received vide email dated 20.01.2023.

RESOLVED that the minutes of Building & Works Committee, on Agenda (by circulation) and approval of Chairman, BoG on the aforementioned minutes of B&WC, as per Appendix-17.5-A of the agenda, be recorded and ratified.

BoG Resol.No.17.6

CONSIDERED recording of the status of pending vigilance cases with the Institute till 31.03.2023.

Members noted that there were no pending vigilance cases with the Institute.

RESOLVED that the status of pending vigilance cases with the Institute till 31.03.2023, be recorded.

BoG Resol.No.17.7 Item No.17.7

CONSIDERED recording of the order dated 02.01.2023 of the Director approving the recommendations of the Selection Committee for the post of Junior Engineer (Electrical) and Junior Engineer (Civil) in the Institute.

Members perused the minutes containing the recommendations of the Selection Committee and approval of the Director.

RESOLVED that the order dated 02.01.2023 of the Director approving the recommendations of the Selection Committee for the post of Junior Engineer (Electrical) and Junior Engineer (Civil) in the Institute, as noted in Agenda note, be recorded.

BoG Resol.No.17.8 Item No.17.8

CONSIDERED recording of the status of Special Recruitment Drive of Faculty positions in the Institute.

RESOLVED that the status of filling up of backlog vacancies in the Institute in compliance with D.O No. 33-2/2021-TS-III (Pt.I) dated 24th August 2021 of the Secretary, Ministry of Education, as noted in the Agenda note, be recorded.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the Institute should make all efforts to accelerate the recruitment process on faculty positions in the coming months and the cycle time for completion of initial processing of faculty recruitment at the department level be reduced and the process be expedited.

BoG Resol.No.17.9 Item No.17.9

A. CONSIDERED ratification of the orders dated 18.11.2022, 19.11.2022, 12.12.2022, 17.12.2022, 04.01.2023 & 05.01.2023 of the Chairman, Board of Governors, approving the recommendations of Selection Committees for faculty positions in the Departments/School of Metallurgical Engineering, Bio-Medical Engineering, Mining Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Architecture, Planning & Design, Department of Civil Engineering and Department of Ceramic Engineering.

RESOLVED that the aforementioned orders dated 18.11.2022, 19.11.2022, 12.12.2022, 17.12.2022, 04.01.2023 & 05.01.2023 of the Chairman, Board of Governors, approving the recommendations of Selection Committees for faculty positions in the Departments/School of Metallurgical Engineering, Bio-Medical Engineering, Mining Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Architecture, Planning & Design, Department of Civil Engineering and Department of Ceramic Engineering, as noted in agenda note, be ratified.

B. CONSIDERED ratification of the orders dated 11.12.2022 of the Chairman, BoG approving the recommendations of the IFACs of various Department at its meetings held on 25.03.2022 for placement of Assistant Professor (Grade-II) (previously called as Assistant Professor (Contract) to Assistant Professor (Grade-I) (previously called as Assistant Professor (Regular).

RESOLVED that the aforementioned orders dated 11.12.2022 of the Chairman, BoG approving the recommendations of the IFACs of various Department at its meetings held on 25.03.2022 for placement of Assistant Professor (Grade-II) (previously called as Assistant Professor (Contract) to Assistant Professor (Grade-I) (previously called as Assistant Professor (Regular), as noted in agenda note, be ratified.

C. CONSIDERED ratification of the orders dated 11.12.2022 of the Chairman, BoG approving the recommendations of the respective IFACs at its meetings held on 11.12.2022 regarding confirmation of services of 11 faculty members of different Departments/Schools.

RESOLVED that the aforementioned orders dated 11.12.2022 of the Chairman, BoG approving the recommendations of the respective IFACs at its meetings held on 11.12.2022 regarding confirmation of services of 11 faculty members of different Departments/Schools, as noted in agenda note and as per Appendix- 17.9-B of the Agenda, be ratified.

BoG Resol.No.17.10 Item No.17.10

A. CONSIDERED ratification of the order of the Chairman, BoG approving resignation of Dr. Marshal, Associate Professor, School of Biomedical Engineering w.e.f. 19.12.2022 (AN).

RESOLVED that the aforementioned order of the Chairman, BoG approving resignation of Dr. Marshal, Associate Professor, School of Biomedical Engineering w.e.f.

19.12.2022 (AN), be ratified.

B. CONSIDERED ratification of the order of the Chairman, BoG approving resignation of Dr. Akansha Dwivedi, Assistant Professor, Department of Ceramic Engineering w.e.f. 04.01.2021 (FN).

RESOLVED that the aforementioned order of the Chairman, BoG approving resignation of Dr. Akansha Dwivedi, Assistant Professor, Department of Ceramic Engineering w.e.f. 04.01.2021 (FN), be ratified.

C. CONSIDERED ratification of the order of the Chairman, BoG approving resignation of Dr. Rabindra Mohanty, Assistant Professor (Grade-I), Department of Electrical Engineering w.e.f. 12.05.2023 (AN).

RESOLVED that the aforementioned the order of the Chairman, BoG approving resignation of Dr. Rabindra Mohanty, Assistant Professor (Grade-I), Department of Electrical Engineering w.e.f. 12.05.2023 (AN), be ratified.

BoG Resol.No.17.11 Item No.17.11

CONSIDERED ratification of the order of the Chairman, BoG approving the recommendations of the Selection Committee for the post of Deputy Registrar (UR & OBC) in the Institute.

Members perused the minutes containing the recommendations of the Selection Committee and approval of the Chairman, BoG

RESOLVED that the aforementioned order of the Chairman, BoG approving the recommendations of the Selection Committee for the post of Deputy Registrar (UR & OBC) in the Institute, as noted in agenda note, be ratified.

BoG Resol.No.17.12 Item No.17.12

CONSIDERED letter no. F.No. 23-10/2022-TS-I dated 20.01.2023 of Ms. Kavita Chauhan, Under Secretary, TS-I, GoI for seeking advice of CVC in the matter of Dr. Rajendra Kumar Pandey, Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering, IIT(BHU), Varanasi

Members were informed that as per the Resolution no. 14.6 dated 09.05.2022 of the 14th meeting of the Board of Governors, the entire matter containing appointment letter, Charge-Sheet, Inquiry Report and order dated 07.07.2020 passed by Sri R.K. Singh, Hon'ble Minister of Power etc. as well as the legal opinion obtained by the Institute and as accepted by the Board of Governors was sent to the Ministry of Education vide letter no. IIT (BHU)/ADM/Vigilance/2022-23/49/8654 dated 10.06.2022 for seeking advice of Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) in the aforesaid matter.

Ms. Kavita Chauhan, Under Secretary, Technical Section-I, Ministry of Education, Gol vide letter F.No. 23-10/2022-TS-I dated 20.01.2023 informed the Institute that the matter was examined in consultation with Vigilance Section of the Ministry and clarified that the first stage advice of CVC did not warrant as the earlier inquiry has been completed and only second stage advice of CVC had to be sought at this stage by submitting proposal directly to CVC in the prescribed proforma alongwith the recommendations of the Disciplinary Authority i.e. BoG, IIT (BHU), Varanasi.

Members perused the duly filled format containing vigilance point details about Dr. R.K.

Pandey, Professor and Second Stage Advice Proforma, placed at Appendix-17.12-D of the Agenda.

RESOLVED that a committee consisting of Prof. Vinay Kumar Pathak and Prof. Sunil Mohan, both members of the Board, be constituted to study the matter and submit its recommendations to the Board in the next meeting. The Registrar of the Institute will extend required assistance to the Committee.

BoG Resol.No.17.13 Item No.17.13

CONSIDERED recording of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed by IIT (BHU) with Foreign Entities/ Institutions.

The members were informed that the Institute has entered into Memorandum of Understanding with following foreign Entity/ Institutions under the approval of the Director:

SI.	Particulars	Date of Signing
No.		
1.	University at Buffalo (UB), the State University of New York	27.03.2023

RESOLVED that the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed by IIT (BHU) with Foreign Entities/ Institution, as per Appendix-17.13-A of the Agenda, be approved and recorded.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the suggestions from all Departments/Centres/Schools be sought regarding the leading institutions/organisations/universities in their respective areas, with whom research collaborations can be made. The Dean (R&D) be assigned the task of coordinating with the Departments/Centres/Schools.

BoG Resol.No.17.14 Any Other item

CONSIDERED the Finance Committee Resolution No. 16.3 dated 14.04.2023 regarding adoption of the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India, letter F. no. 32-8/2022-TS-I dated 19.12.2022 on the applicability of Payment of Gratuity Act 1972 to all employees of the Institute, who are covered under the National Pension System (NPS).

The members were informed that the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India vide O.M. F. No. 15-2/2022-TC dated 16.12.2022 has communicated that the Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972 will be applicable to all the employees of the Institute who are covered under the National Pension System (NPS).

Members were also informed that the Finance Committee considered the aforementioned proposal and vide Resolution No. 16.3, dated 14.04.2023 resolved as under

"RESOLVED that the Ministry of Education O.M. dated 16.12.2022 be recorded and the Payment of Gratuity Act 1972 as amended from time to time be adopted for implementation in the Institute for all employees of the Institute covered under the National Pension System (NPS) w.e.f. 29.06.2012 i.e the date of conversion of the Institute as IIT (BHU).

RESOLVED FURTHER that the expenditure on account of the above be met out of the OH-36.

RESOLVED STILL FURTHER that the resolution on the above item be taken as confirmed for further action."

RESOLVED that the Finance Committee Resolution No. 16.3 dated 14.04.2023 regarding adoption of the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India, letter F. no. 32-8/2022-TS-I dated 19.12.2022 regarding the applicability of Payment of Gratuity Act 1972 to all employees of the Institute, who are covered under the National Pension System (NPS), be approved and recorded.

The meeting then ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(SARVESH KUMAR TIWARI)
SECRETARY

(PRAMOD KUMAR JAIN)
DIRECTOR

(KOTA HARINARAYANA) CHAIRMAN