

Proceedings of 48th Meeting of the Board of Governors held on December 24, 2012 at 2:00 p.m at Qutab Hotel. New Delhi.

The following were present in the meeting:

Shri Sunil Kant Munjal Chairman Hero Corporate Services Ltd	Chairman
Dr. Rajneesh Arora Vice-Chancellor, PTU	Member
Shri Sarwan Singh Channy, IAS Principal Secretary Tech. Education	Member
Dr. R.K Shevgaonkar Director, IIT, Delhi	Member
Dr. M.K Surappa Director, IIT, Ropar	Member
Dr. S.K Salwan Chairman Armament Research Board, DRDO	Member
Dr. Nirmal Singh Principal, MIMIT, Malout	Member
Dr. Buta Singh Sidhu Dean, PTU	Member
Dr. H.S. Bains Registrar, PTU	Secretary



The following members could not attend the meeting and were granted leave of absence:

Sh Satish Chandra

Principal Secretary Finance

Dr Pradipta Banerji

Director, IIT, Roorkee

Dr. Abhijit Mukherjee

Chairman of the North West Committee, AICTE

Dr. Vijay P. Bhatkar

Chairman, ETH Research Lab, 1-C, I-Space, S.No. 51, Pune

Ms. Kamna Raj Aggarwal

Nominee-President, CII

Dr. Dharinder Tayal

Managing Director, #2104, Sector 21-C, Chandigarh

Sh. Amrit Sagar Mittal

CMD, Sonalika Group of Industries, Hoshiarpur

The Chairman welcomed all the members of the Board of Governors & expressed his thanks on being appointed as Chairman, Board of Governors, PTU. The Chairman showed concern on the reputation of having extreme variation in quality of performance of affiliated colleges along with challenges being faced by students graduating from different colleges with regards to placements. The Chairman desired that PTU being a premier Institution must have a good quality system in place based on performance & merit with multiple campuses and a diverse distance education programme.

Further, members were apprised that while it was already known at the time of his appointment, the Chairman officially recorded his interest in education in multiple capacities but none of them is an office of profit

After this regular agenda was taken up:



Agenda for confirmation:

- Item No. 48.1** **To confirm the proceedings of 46th meeting & 47th special meeting of the Board of Governors, PTU held on 16.4.2012 & 29.6.2012**

The Board confirmed the proceedings..

- Item No. 48.2** **Action Taken Report on the 46th meeting of the BOG held on 16.4.2012**

Vice Chancellor presented the action taken report of 47th special meeting and agenda through circulation dated July 27,2012 (restructuring of DEP) and Nov,20,2012 (termination of M/s Urvi ,Ekta and Matrix Infosys) and detailed presentation was made on the challenges before University and of PTU focusing on reviewing of Distance Education Programme (copy of presentation enclosed).

Notes on presentation made by Vice Chancellor are as follows:

1. PTU to make continuous efforts to improve image and reputation to attract students from outside Punjab.
2. Since the market dynamics have changed, PTU DEP to be restructured accordingly and as proposed in the presentation.
3. Board agreed to action points regarding DEP and action taken till date.
4. Board discussed about new MOU with PPP partners and asked VC to explain the revised MOU in the changed situation and motivate PPP partners to sign new MOUs expeditiously.
5. VC explained the next steps regarding inviting EOI and completing the process of restructuring by March 2013.
6. New PITs and PIMs be made only where viable.
7. PTU to make market oriented policies.

Board deliberated on the action taken report on engagement of consulting firms taken up by BOG at its 46th meeting vide table item no. 46.18.8 for various services and decided that the status quo be maintained. Board directed that in future any further outsourcing be done following proper procedure.

The Board was apprised of the constitution of DEC, PTU. It was decided that issues regarding constitution of such committees be brought to the notice of Chairman, BOG . The Board authorised the Chairman to take final decision regarding study of the entire matter regarding termination of MOUs with M/s VICE. Chairman desired that the case of termination of M/s Vice be put up to the Chairman for final decision



Vice-Chancellor informed the Board that inquiry proceedings in the case related to suspension of Dean(DDE) has started .He further informed that for restructuring the Distance Education Programme, interim measures are being taken in the interest of students and a transparent procedure shall be followed.

The Board further suggested bringing in some experts to help in restructuring the entire Distance Education Program and to do this under the guidance of a committee to be appointed by the Vice Chancellor in consultation with the Chairman.

Item No. 48.3 Status of Admissions 2012

The Board noted the matter and desired that all necessary steps be taken for increasing admissions. The Board expressed some reservation regarding the large number of Ph.D students and desired that efforts be made to improve quality of students admitted under Ph.D.programme.

Item No 48.4 Status regarding PIL Writ Petition

The Board deliberated upon the issue and constituted following committee to oversee the appointments till final decision of the PIL:

1. Dr Buta Singh, Dean Academic Convener
2. Dr M.K Surappa, Director IIT, Ropar or his nominee
3. Dr H.S Bains, Registrar

The Board decided that necessary steps be taken for contractual appointments of faculty in the view of interest of students. The Board further decided that appeal be filed in the court against the order dated 5.11.2012 in CM No. 11190 of CWP No.20214 of 2011 to ensure that Vice Chancellor is able to exercise the full normal authority in such appointments etc.

Statutory Agenda

Item No 48.5 To approve the minutes of 40th Academic Council Meeting

Noted & Approved

Item No 48.6 To approve the minutes of 24th Finance Committee Meeting

Noted & Approved

Item No 48.7 To approve the minutes of Human Resource Committee Meeting

Noted & Approved



Item No. 48.8 To approve the minutes of 33rd, 34th, 35th and 36th meetings of Standing Building Construction Committee.

Noted & Approved

Item No. 48.9 Constitution of PTU Sports Executive Committee

Noted

Agenda for Deliberation

Item No 48.10 Vice Chancellor's report on University activities

The Board appreciated the initiatives being taken by Vice-Chancellor

Item No. 48.11 Legal Status of Giani Zail Singh College Society

The Board agreed to re-name PTU- GZS campus as Giani Zail Singh PTU Campus.

The reconstituted board of governors of GZSCET, Bathinda (46.8.2), finance committee of GZSCET(46.8.3) and building works committee of GZSCET (46.8.4) stands dissolved . It shall be managed as per PTU rules and regulations. The land, buildings and all ~~assets of Giani Zail Singh Engineering college~~ be transferred in the name of PTU.

Item No. 48.12 Caparo Society

The Chairman authorised the Vice-Chancellor and PSTE to have a personal meeting with M/s Caparo and settle the matter once and for all with in a short period of time. The settlement should be done keeping in mind that entire money donated by M/s Caparo may be returned to them. In case a settlement is not possible, the matter may then follow due process of law.

After this supplementary agenda was taken up

Item No.48.13.1: Extension in tenure of Dr.H.S.Bains as Registrar, Punjab Technical University

Before deliberating on the proposal, Registrar was asked to stay away from the proceedings.

The Board reviewed the activities of the University during tenure of Dr H.S Bains as Registrar,PTU and appreciated the initiatives taken by him.



Vice-Chancellor informed the Board that presently Dr H.S Bains is taking care of position of Dean (Directorate of Distance Education) in addition to the duties of Registrar and that he is very satisfied with his performance and sincerity of Dr H.S Bains.

After deliberations Board approved the extension in tenure of Dr H.S Bains for another three years.

Further Board desired that it is better if University can have two independent persons to take care of these two important functions. It was suggested to contact Ms Sarojini Gautam Sharda, former Registrar to get her willingness to join the post of Registrar and in that case full charge of Distance Education be given to Dr H.S Bains.

The Government to be approached with a request for a fixed term appointment to Ms. Sarojini Gautam Sharda as Registrar.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'H.S. Bains', is written over a horizontal line. There are several short, vertical tick marks below the line.