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THE PURI FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATION IN INDIA

Minutes of The 5th Governing Body Meeting of the University
Held On 12-01-2017

The following members were present in the meeting:

<u>S.No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Designation</u>	
1.	Mr. Upendra Puri	Trustee Puri Foundation for Education in India	Chairman
2.	Sir John Vincent Cable	Ex-Secretary of State for Business, Innovation & Skills, U.K.	
3.	Prof. G.N.Magesan	Provost, IAR, Gandhinagar	
4.	Dr. G.C. Mishra	Former Director of NCCS, Pune	
5.	Dr. R.C. Maheshwari	Former VC, SADU, Gujarat	
6.	Mr. Ashwani Puri	Executive Registrar, IAR, Gandhinagar	
7.	Dr. Gautam Sen	Former Professor, London School of Economics & Political Science, U.K.	
8.	Dr. Chandramani Pathak	Dean , IAR, Gandhinagar	Member Secretary

The following members were absent in the meeting:

1.	Prof. N.R. Puri	President, IAR, Gandhinagar
2.	Prof. Rajendra Prasad	Head Dept. of Life Sciences, Amity University
3.	Prof. Virendra Chauhan	Former Director, ICGB Delhi
4.	Dr. Rajani Nadgauda	Professor Emeritus, IAR, Gandhinagar
5.	Prof. B. Rao	Vice President Development, London School of Economics & Political Science
6.	Govt. of Gujarat Nominee	

S. No.	Agenda Points	Discussions	Decision	Remarks
1	Welcome note and Introductory remark	Mr. Upendra Puri, Trustee of The Puri Foundation for Education in India chaired the meeting and welcomed the members of the committee.		
2	Brief by VC	Prof. Guna Magesan, Vice Chancellor of the University updated the current status and progress of the University.		
3	Brief the minutes of 3rd Governing body	Prof. Guna Magesan, Vice Chancellor of the university briefed about the action taken on the minutes of the last meeting held on 15 Jun 2016.		
a)	Promotion Policy	Prof. Guna Magesan updated the promotion policy is under preparation.	The Chairman commented that it was one year old matter. The issues of meeting should be resolved before the next meeting.	Dr C Pathak was asked to draft a promotion policy after discussions with all concerned.
b)	Awards for Excellence	Excellence Award for faculty who have achieved a milestone performance that has been suggested in the last BOG meeting.	Prof. Guna Magesan updated the members on the subject. The matter has been taken up in recent RAC meeting on 6 Jan 2017 and working for implementation.	Dr. Budhi Sagar Tiwari to follow up.
c)	Quality of research	Dr. G.C. Mishra, Chairman of the University Research Advisory committee briefed about the research at IAR. He commented that Research at IAR is good and progressing well. There is a need to make more applications for research grants.		

d) UGC recognition

Prof. Guna Magesan, Vice Chancellor has briefed the visit of the UGC at the University and updated the UGC report. The University has to submit compliance report on the suggestions by the UGC committee. The final recommendations by the UGC will be available thereafter. Meanwhile University can award the degree.

Mr. Upendra Puri, Chairperson of the committee has suggested that find some person from previous UGC committees who can assist the University to rectify the deficiencies raised by the UGC.

Dr. G.C. Mishra has suggested that UGC recognition is important at National level especially to secure government job or admission at another Government University. Anyhow UGC recognition is required.

e) Salary Structure

The University salary structure was discussed. The University should consider implementing 6th pay Commission for faculty. Dr. G.C. Mishra suggests that salary should be increased by 10% .

An increase of about 10% average in salary increase may be considered including inflation, annual increase. Increase in salary will vary as per performance.

Registrar/VC for policy and implementation.

Prof. Gautam Sen suggests that the university could promote additional task based compensation to the faculty.

Mr. Upendra Puri, suggested that University should put in place mechanism to promote Consultancy by the faculty.

Policy to promote consultancy should be made.

VC / Registrar.

4 Research Report

Dr. Pathak, Dean, presented the current overview of the research at the University.

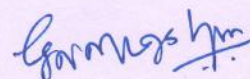
The Dean updated the committee on the limitations and reduction in research funding across the globe. The current emphasis for grants is on translational research.

Mr. Upendra Puri pointed out limited research grants and suggested improving the research grant status at the university.

University should explore research grant from international agencies.

5 a)	Education report	Dean presented the current overview of the academic progress in the University. Dean briefed about the faculty strength, student strength, ongoing courses of UG and PG.		
b)	New Courses	Dean presented the new course syllabus of UG and PG. Dean updated that the new courses were fully adapted from UGC model curriculum and UGC norm are being followed.	The ongoing and proposed courses were approved.	
c)		Prof Gautam Sen suggested starting PG Diploma in Business Management. It could be developed later into MBA program. Prof. Gautam Sen also suggested finding visiting faculty to run the program rather than appointing new faculty due to financial burden.	VC / Dean to explore starting one year PG Diploma in Business Management.	
d)	Skill Development Courses	Dean updated that University is going to offer one / two years Paramedical courses as part of skill enhancement program from the academic year 2017-18.	The course was approved.	
		Additional skill development courses were being explored.	New courses to be developed.	
e)	Student Absenteeism	The issue of student absenteeism and possible reasons were discussed. English as a medium of instruction was considered to be a major reason.	University to conduct English language and communication skills classes as foundation courses.	
			75% attendance for appearing the examination to be enforced strictly.	Controller of Examination / Dean.
f)	Minimum Passing Marks	The Dean has updated the issues of minimum passing marks.	The committee has decided that University has to follow minimum passing marks as per UGC guidelines for CBCS of Grade Point 4.	Controller of Examination / Dean.

g)	Fee Structure	Revised fee structure was discussed. An increase of 8% fee in UG and PG Program for B.Sc. and M.Sc. was suggested. The fee for BBA & B.Com Program was recommended to be reduced. Re-examination fee was increased to Rs. 1500/-.	The revised fee structure was approved by the committee.	Registrar, Asst. Registrar Student Affairs.
h)	Marketing	The Vice Chancellor Prof. Guna Magesan briefed about the marketing policy of the University. Marketing strategy for digital and social media was briefed.	The efforts were appreciated by the committee.	
6	Maintenance Report	Maintenance report of the university was presented by the Executive Registrar.	The maintenance of GC, HPLC, Confocal Microscope, animal cell culture facility is under progress. A new ice machine is being purchased.	Registrar
7 a)	Finance Report	The current expenditure vis-a-vis budget for the financial year 2016-17 was presented by the Executive Registrar.		
b)		Draft budget for the year 2017-18 was presented. Improvements in the budget are being worked. The budget will be finalised and the trust will be requested for financial support.	The University budget for the year 2017-18 to be finalised.	Registrar.
9	Upcoming issues	The upcoming issue for UGC and accreditation for NAAC was discussed.	Chairperson Mr. Puri suggested finding out experienced person and taking help for UGC and NAAC approval.	VC / Registrar.
10	Any other issues	There were no further issues.		
11	Vote of Thanks	Meeting ended with vote of thanks from the chair.		



Prof. Guna Magesan, Provost, IAR
Chairman

Date: 3 Feb 2017