

## UNIVERSITY AND INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED RESEARCH

THE PURI FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATION IN INDIA

## Minutes of the meeting of 5<sup>th</sup> Board of Management held on 23 May 2017 at IAR

The following members were present in the Meeting:

- 1. Mr. Upendra Puri, Trustee, Puri Foundation for Education in India, IAR, Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- 2. Mr. Harish Chinai, Vice President (Sales), Purico, UK
- 3. Mr. H.M. Patel, Chairman, Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation, Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- 4. Mr. Ashwani Puri, Executive Registrar, IAR, Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- 5. Dr. C.M.Pathak, Dean, IAR, Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- 6. Dr. Satyendra Mishra, Controller of Examination, IAR, Gnr.
- 7. Dr. Radha Tiwari, Asstt. Registrar (Student Affairs), IAR, Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- 8. Mr. Harsh Rajyaguru, B.Sc. Student, IAR, Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- 9. Mr. Ilesh Soni, Accounts Officer, IAR, Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- 10. Mr. Jayesh Vaidya, Admin Officer, IAR, Gandhinagar, Gujarat

The following members were absent in the Meeting:

- 1 Prof. N.R.Puri, Industrialist, The Puri Foundation for Education in India, Nottingham, England.
- 2 Prof. G.N.Magesan, Vice Chancellor, IAR, Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- 3 Dr. Roli Mishra, Faculty, Centre for Engineering and Enterprise, IAR, Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- 4 Dr. Anand Tiwari, Assistant Registrar, IAR, Gandhinagar.

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S. No.	Item	Discussions	Decision/Remarks.
1.	Welcome	The meeting was chaired by Mr. Upendra Puri. He welcomed all the members to the 5 <sup>th</sup> Board of Management meeting.	NFA
2.	Brief by Officiating Provost	Mr. Ashwani Puri, Officiating Provost, briefed about the current and proposed work at the University. He mentioned that the first batch of students will be passing out in the Current year. New Academic programs are being initiated form the Academic Year 2017-18.	NFA
3.	Minutes of the last meeting	The Action taken on the 4 <sup>th</sup> Board of Management Meeting was discussed. The pending issues as placed below to be completed.	
		Foundation courses in English to be taught during the summer break.	
		The draft promotion policy needs to be put up in 2 months' time.	Dean
		Consultancy policy to be discussed and drafted.	Dr. Reena Rajput
		Institutions abroad to be requested to donate books for Library.	Librarian
		Local Doctor should be asked to visit the University and apprise himself of the conditions.	Mr. Chandrasekhar to coordinate.
4.	Research Report	The Dean presented the research report.	The members appreciated research grants received by the faculty.
			The number of research proposals should be increased. The proposals should be vetted in-house before submission.
		Expert Group for Chemistry.	The minutes of the meeting to be recorded and outcome of the discussions to be monitored.
5.	Education Report	The Dean presented the current education program at the university.	
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Current program	The current education program, attendance, results and the feedback from the students were discussed.	The parents to be given access to the students data.
	Weak students to be identified and counseled.	Explore how other institutions support weak students to improve their grades.
	Career counseling for students to be carried out. Student should be taught how to apply for placements, prepare for interviews.	Career counseling officer to be earmarked.
	Faculty from abroad to be approached to assist in Teaching and Research Program at the University.	
Industry Academia Partnership	Actions to improve Industry Academia Partnership were discussed.	University to organize brain storming session with industry. At least 10 industry partners to be targeted. Dr. Alok Pandya.
	The Industry inputs to be taken to make course industry ready.	Dean
	The Course Curriculum to be compared with international universities to ensure students is ready to take international appointments, higher studies.	Dean
Online availability of lesson Plans	The lesson plans should be available on line.	VC/Dean/IT coordinator
Educational Program for Academic Year 2017-18	The Dean presented the additional academic programs planned to be initiated during the academic year 2017-18.	
M.Com. Program	M.Com. Program was discussed.	The course was approved
PGDM	One year Post graduate program was discussed.	One year Post graduate program was approved.
B.Sc. in Microbiology	B.Sc. in Microbiology was discussed. The course is as per UGC CBCS system.	The course was approved.
B. Tech. Biotech	B. Tech. Biotech Program was discussed.	The course was recommended. The course to be put up to Governing Body for Approval.
B.Tech. Chemical Engineering	B.Tech. course in Chemical Engineering was discussed.	The course was recommended. To be put up to Governing Body.

B. Tech Electronic Engineering

B. Tech Electronic Engineering was discussed. Considering the current job market opportunities, it was decided that this course should not be offered in the next academic year.

The course to be combined with Computer Engineering and renamed B. Tech in Digital Technologies. The course is recommended and to be put up to Governing Body for approval.

B. Tech Computer Engineering

B. Tech Computer Engineering was discussed. It was considered that there are good job opportunities in the field. It was suggested that the name of the program be revised to B. Tech. Digital Technologies. The scope of work and opportunities are large in the area of digital technologies.

The course to be B. Tech in Digital Technologies. The course is recommended and to be put up to Governing Body for approval.

Course Fees

The fee structure at the University was discussed. It is proposed to reduce the fee in some Business courses. The fee for Science courses at the undergraduate and postgraduate level were increased as per the proposal.

The fee structure as proposed to be adopted. Application to be made to the State Fee Regulating Committee for Engineering programs.

Intake Capacity

The intake capacity was discussed. The break even number for the B. Tech. courses is considered to be 60. It was suggested that the intake capacity for B. Tech. programs to be revised from 25 to 30.

The intake capacity for B. Tech programs to be revised to 30. The intake capacity for other courses to be as proposed.

Skill development: Job Opportunities & New Courses Mr. Ashwani Puri briefed about additional skill development courses being planned in association with the Telecom Skill Development Council, Gurgaon.

Additional skill development programs to be initiated.

Admin Report

The Registrar presented the admin report.

**Industry Support for Students** 

Explore feasibility of industry, individuals supporting students through fellowships, scholarships and awards.

VC/Registrar

Additional Faculty in Department The board was briefed about the proposed additional faculty positions and advertisements. A large number of applications have been received. A list of shortlisted candidates will be made and they will be called for interview. The process is expected to be complete by end June.

All appointments for full time faculty positions should be as per UGC guidelines.

discussed. students to be made available where feasible. Security Relations with Police to be improved. The police personnel may be invited to the University and felicitated. Maintenance 7. The Registrar presented the Maintenance The unserviceable equipment as Report. Some equipment which are beyond listed to be rectified. economical repairs to be written off. For other equipments, repairs to be initiated. 8. Finance: Annual Expenditure 2016-17 The annual income expenditure of the The support from the trust of Rs. 2.52 University was discussed. The unaudited crores was appreciated. balance sheet was presented. The excess of expenditure over income of Efforts to be made to increase the Rs. 2.78 crores was noted. income of the University and create sustainability on revenue expenditure. The budget for the year 2017-18 was Budget for the year 2017-18 discussed. The Trust Puri Foundation for Education in The financial support from the Trust India has been requested to support Rs. was appreciated. 2.72 crores for the year for recurring and capital expenses. Additional building for Engineering courses will be initiated if the number of students is planned in the budget. 9. **Upcoming Issues** The University is required to get NAAC Application for NAAC to be made accreditation. after the University has completed the necessary requirements for the smooth functioning of the University. First Convocation The University needs to plan for the first Convocation to be planned Convocation. The matter was discussed. considering convenience for students, Possible venues and dates were guest, and university staff members.

considered. The budget for convocation to

be finalised.

Recreational facilities for the students were

Additional recreation facilities to

University Development Plans: Academic, Library & Hostel

The university development plans for the additional academic programs, additional infrastructure and need for larger space for library and hostel was discussed.

Additional built up area to be development as per budget.

UGC report & reply

The progress on UGC issues was discussed.

An interim report to be made to the UGC.

10. Any other issue with the approval of the Chair

The student representative brought out the points regarding snacks, additional facilities for drinking water. Sports and cultural programs, tours and picnics to be organised.

The points as suggested may be incorporated.

Upendra Puri

Date: 23/05/2017