



VIT UNIVERSITY, JAIPUR

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MINUTES OF THE 3RD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF VIT UNIVERSITY, JAIPUR HELD AT 11. 00 a.m. ON WEDNESDAY, 26TH DECEMBER, 2012 IN THE BOARD ROOM OF VIT UNIVERSITY, JAIPUR, SISYAWAS, JAGATPURA, JAIPUR- 303012

Present:

1.	Dr. Adarsh Kishore	Chairperson, VIT University, Jaipur	Chairperson
2.	Shri Anil Bafna	Chairman, VIT Campus, Jaipur	Member
3.	Dr. K. R. Bagaria	Vice-Chairman, VIT Campus, Jaipur	Member
4.	Prof. (Dr.) Amitava Babi Mitra	President, VIT University, Jaipur	Member
5.	Prof. (Dr.) M. Raisinghani	Director (Academics), VIT Campus, Jaipur	Member
6.	Mr. Praveen Choudhry	Registrar, VIT University, Jaipur	Member Secretary

The Chairperson welcomed the members to the meeting and the items on the agenda were taken up for discussion.

Item No.1- Leave of absence to members, if any

Leave of absence was granted to Shri Gaurav Bagaria who was unable to attend the meeting due to pre-occupancy.

Item No.2- Confirmation of minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Board held on July 5, 2012

The draft minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Board held on July 5, 2012 had been placed on the table. The minutes were discussed item by item and since the members had no comments/ observations on the draft minutes, the minutes were confirmed.

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The Action Taken Report on the decisions of the last meeting was also discussed and noted.

Item No.3- Legal Proceedings initiated by VIT University, Vellore

The Chairperson briefed the members of the discussion taken place in the meeting of the Board and requested the President to update the members on the developments taken place since the last meeting.

The President informed that a reply to the Government's letter No. F.3 (8) Edu.4/2010 dated 8.6.2012 regarding infringement of the Trade mark of VIT University, Vellore (Tamilnadu) enclosing a copy of letter of VIT Vellore requesting to amend the name of the VIT University, Jaipur to some other name, has been submitted as decided in the last meeting. He also informed that VIT Vellore has filed an application before the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Chennai (CS No. 476 of 2012) wherein they have requested the Hon'ble Court for an interim injunction for restraining us from infringement in any form of the Trade Mark "VIT". He added that the Court had directed us to file Reply/ Counter Affidavit. He stated that the Counter Affidavit has been filed on Aug 13, 2012 and a copy of the same has been provided to the Counsel for the VIT Vellore (the Applicant) as directed by the Hon'ble Court. He also informed that the matter is still pending before the Hon'ble High Court and the Board will be kept informed of any developments in the matter.

Members were of the view that there was no intention of taking advantage of the name of any University and that the name VIT University, Jaipur was chosen as the group had established two engineering institutions by the name of Vivekananda Institute of Technology and Vivekananda Institute of Technology (East) which had gained the status of premier institutes in Rajasthan and these institutes are popularly known as VIT institutes. President stated that the students who had applied for admission to the University were also sufficiently clear that VIT University, Jaipur has no links with the VIT Vellore and that it stood for Vivekananda Institute of Technology.

The members therefore felt that there was no point in continuing the matter in court of law howsoever strong our case may be and we must continue our efforts of

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providing quality education to the students and establish our own Brand Equity. It was also felt that change in the name of the University will also avoid conflict of interest with VIT University, Vellore.

The suggestions on the new name were as follows:

- Vivekananda Jaipur University
- Vivekananda International University
- Jaipur Vivekananda University
- Vivekananda Global University

After discussion members felt that the name "Vivekananda Global University" also reflects the forward looking nature as also the vision and goal of the University and the same may be adopted as the new name.

It was therefore resolved that the name of the University may be changed from VIT University, Jaipur to Vivekananda Global University.

Mr. Praveen Choudhry, Registrar was authorized to prepare the necessary documents and move the proposal under his signatures.

Item No.4- Ratification of the decision regarding postponement of the admission to the various courses in the University.

The President informed that a PIL had been filed against JECRC University to restrain them from starting technical courses without approval from AICTE. He added that later all the new private self financed universities were also made party to the case and that the name of VIT University, Jaipur appeared at serial No. 37 of the PIL No. 10037/2012 "Inderjeet Kathuria Vs the State of Rajasthan and Ors". He stated that although no case has been filed against VIT University, Jaipur, we have been dragged into litigation. He informed that in view of this fact, the matter was discussed with the Chairperson and it was decided to defer the session by one year and take admission of students in the University from the session 2013-14 after disposal of the PIL.

The decision taken was ratified by the Board.

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The Registrar informed that the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Jaipur was of the opinion that no prior approval of the AICTE is necessary under the Regulation of 2012 and has decided as follows in this case:

“We find the writ petition to be meritless and the same is hereby dismissed and disposed of“

Item No.5- Noting of the courses to be started in the University during the academic session 2013-14 and the admission eligibility criteria

The President suggested that besides technical courses, we should also start other under-graduate courses in Science, Commerce and Arts but with some additional offering so as to give an edge to the students who take admission in the course like B.Com with coaching for CA etc. He also informed that Dr. Suman Kapoor has suggested to start a course for doctors on Public health in collaboration with Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Yeshiva University, Bronx, New York, USA.

Shri Anil Bafna stated that there is severe dearth of officers in the banking industry and suggested for an MBA course exclusively on banking and financial services.

Dr. K R Bagaria stated that there is great need for quality diploma courses in engineering field and since our core strength is engineering education, we must think of starting Diploma courses in different disciplines of engineering.

Members appreciated the ideas and authorized the President and Dr. K R Bagaria to decide about the courses and work out their details.

Item No. 6- Any other matter with the permission of the Chair

There being no other matter for discussion, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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