

NIRMA UNIVERSITY

Minutes of Thirty first meeting of Board of Governors of Nirma University held on 29.09.2016 at 11.00 a.m. in the Board Room, Institute of Management on the University Campus, when following members were present:

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| 1. | Dr. K. K. Patel | - | Chairman |
| 2. | Dr. Anup K Singh | | |
| 3. | Dr. Pankajbhai Patel | | |
| 4. | Dr. P. N. Bhagwati | | |
| 5. | Shri Rakeshbhai K. Patel | | |
| 6. | Shri Hirenbhai K. Patel | | |
| 7. | Shri. R. D. Shah | | |
| 8. | Shri Vipinbhai Parikh | | |
| 9. | Dr. Utpal Sharma | | |
| 10. | G.Ramachandran Nair | - | Secretary |
| | - Shri K K Patel | - | Invitee |
| | - Shri D. P. Chhaya | - | Invitee |

Shri Kamalbhai Trivedi, Prof. N R Madhva Menon and Shri J. P. Joshipara were granted Leave of Absence.

Ms Anju Sharma, IAS and Shri Ambubhai M. Patel could not attend the meeting.

In the beginning of the meeting, the President of University and Chairman of the Board – Dr. K. K. Patel welcomed all the members of the Board. Then, the items of the agenda were transacted and the resolutions were passed as shown below:

Item No.	Particulars
1.	<p><u>RESOLUTION</u> Resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting of Board of Governors held on 16.04.2016, <u>be confirmed</u>.</p> <p>(Note: The Chairman and the members of the Board signed the minutes as a token of confirmation)</p>
2.	<p><u>RESOLUTION</u> Resolved that the note on action taken on the decisions of the previous meeting of the Board of Governors held on 16.04.2016, <u>be noted and approved</u>.</p>
3.	<p><u>RESOLUTION</u> Before having discussion on the Annual Report circulated with the agenda, a power point presentation on the summary of report was made. Thereafter, discussion took place and at the end of which, it was resolved that the Annual Report for the Year 2015-16 describing the activities conducted during the year circulated with the agenda as per Encl.-I, <u>be approved</u> with a sense of appreciation.</p>
4.	<p>A <u>RESOLUTION</u> Resolved that the recommendation made by the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 16.09.2016 under resolution No. 2 with regard</p>

to approval of **Annual Statement of Accounts including Income & Expenditure Statement and Balance Sheet** of Nirma University and its Institutes, for the Financial Year 2015-16, as per the details circulated with the agenda as per Encl.-II, be accepted.

B RESOLUTION

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 16.09.2016 under resolution Nos. 3 and 9 with regard to granting **additional Budget** for the Financial Year 2016-17 for (i) Institute of Technology, Institute of Management, Institute of Pharmacy, Institute of Law, Institute of Architecture & Planning and Institute of Science under Nirma University, and (ii) additional budget of Rs. 30 crores for the project of construction of Multi-storey building on the Campus, as circulated with the agenda as per Encl.-III, be accepted.

C RESOLUTION

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 16.09.2016 under resolution No. 4 with regard to institution of new medal for overall scholastic performance due to addition of a new programme – **M.Sc. in Cosmetic Technology** under Faculty of Science from Academic Year 2016-17 and onwards, be accepted

Resolved further that, the above medal be added in the list of medals imbibed in Regulation of awarding Medals and Scholarship published vide notification No. NU-44 dated 9.4.2005 and amended from time to time. Also, the conditions of awarding the medals be the same as are applicable to the other existing medals and as amended from time to time.

D RESOLUTION

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 16.09.2016 under resolution No. 5(i) with regard to revision in **sitting fee** to be paid to the external members for attending various meetings, be accepted as under:

Authorities	Existing amt. (Rs.)/ per meeting	Proposed Amount (Rs.)
Board of Governors	2,500/-	4,000/- for each meeting
Other than Board of Governors	2,000/-	3,000/- (for each session of 3 hours, maximum up to Rs.5,000/- in a day)

Resolved further that the amendment in Clause '2(3)-Visiting Fee' of Regulations for TA/DA including Sitting Fee, etc as per Encl-V circulated with agenda, be accepted and the words "Visiting fee" be substituted with words '**Sitting Fee**'.

E RESOLUTION

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 16.09.2016 under resolution No. 5(ii) with

regard to revision in existing *remuneration*, to be paid to the **visiting faculties/experts** in various Institutes under Nirma University, be accepted as under:

Institute	Programme	Existing amt. (Rs.)/ per	Proposed amt. (Rs.)/ per
Institute of Management	<u>MBA and MBA (FB&E):</u> Faculties having Ph.D with 10 years teaching experience, or more than 15 years of experience on a very senior-level corporate	2,000/75 min.#	2,500/75 min.#
	<u>BBA-MBA (BBA-level):</u> Faculties having Ph.D. degree, or more than 15 years experience	1,000/hour	1,500/hour*
Institute of Law	<u>UG and PG programmes:</u> Sr. Advocates of High Court or Supreme Court or any other sr. research expert, retired judges, Supreme/High Court consultant, etc	1,000/hour*	2,500/hour
All Institute <i>other than</i> Institutes of Management and Law	<u>U.G./P.G. (theory)</u> Faculties having Ph.D. degree, or more than 15 years experience	1,200/hour	1,500/hour for faculties having Ph.D. degree, or more than 15 years experience (in case of eminent experts or very senior person, the VP may consider higher rates limited to 2,500/- for P.G. programmes only)
	Practical (tutorial/LPW)	500/hour	750/hour
Academic Development & Research Cell	Visiting faculty invited for training/lectures	1,500/session	2,000/hour

in case of eminent experts or very senior person, the VP may consider higher rates limited to Rs.3,000/-,

* in case of eminent experts or very senior person, the VP may consider higher rates limited to Rs.2,000/-.

Resolved further that, for the rates of remuneration *other than* the above rates, the status quo be maintained.

F. **RESOLUTION**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 16.09.2016 under resolution No. 5(iii) with regard to rate of *remuneration* for **external experts and visiting faculty** invited for conducting assessment of Design Studio (Jury) and onsite visit/RSP for **B. Plan.** programme, be accepted as under:

for the experts having experience less than 10 years	Rs.1,000/hour (maximum Rs.8,000/day)
for the experts having experience more than 10 years	Rs.1,200/hour (maximum Rs.10,000/day)

G RESOLUTION

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 16.09.2016 under resolution No. 5(iv) with regard to rate of remuneration for **external experts and visiting faculty** invited for **BBA-MBA programme (MBA-level)**, be accepted, as under:

Institute	Programme	Proposed amt. (Rs.)/ per
Institute of Management	<u>BBA-MBA (MBA-level):</u> Faculties having less than 10 years' teaching experience	1,750/60 min.
	Faculties having Ph.D with 10 years teaching experience, or more than 15 years of experience, and at a very senior-level corporate	2,000/60 min.#

in case of eminent experts or very senior person, the VP may consider higher rates limited to Rs.2,500/60 min.

H RESOLUTION

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 16.09.2016 under resolution No. 5(v) with regard to *revision* in remunerations being paid to the **external examiners** for different kinds of examinations taken at the Institute/University level as per column No. 11 of Enc.-IV circulated with the agenda, be accepted.

I RESOLUTION

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 16.09.2016 under resolution No. 5(vi) with regard to *revision* for reimbursement of existing rate of **Travelling Allowance** as under and amendment in the relevant regulations as per Encl.-V circulated with the agenda, be accepted:

- reimbursement of Rs.8/- per k.m. for Petrol as well as Diesel vehicle, instead of Rs.8/- per k.m. for petrol driven vehicle and Rs.7/- per k.m. for diesel driven vehicle, in case the member travels by his/her own car,
- reimbursement of actual charges for hiring A.C. taxi in place of non-A.C. taxi, in case if the member travels by a hiring taxi.

J RESOLUTION

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 16.09.2016 under resolution No. 5(vii) with regard to *increase* in the rate of expense towards the food and refreshments to be provided to the participants for attending the programmes conducted by the **Academic Development &**

Research Cell from existing Rs.100/- to **Rs.125/-**, be accepted.

K **RESOLUTION**

In supersession of earlier resolution No. 3(H) dated 30.03.2016 of Board of Governors, it is **resolved that** the recommendation made by the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 16.09.2016 under resolution No. 6 with regard to obtaining loan of Rs.100 crore from Yes Bank in form of clean overdraft facility, *instead of* earlier approved bifurcation of Rs.30 crore towards capital expenditure and Rs.70 crore towards day-to-day routine expenses, be accepted.

Resolved further that, the Vice President and Executive Registrar be authorized to sign and submit the necessary documents.

L **RESOLUTION**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 16.09.2016 under resolution No. 7 with regard to approval of the **Scheme for providing Grants to the Faculty members for Publishing different literatures** as per Encl.-VI circulated with the agenda, be accepted.

5. A **RESOLUTION**

Resolved that the recommendation of the Academic Council made in its meeting held on 28.09.2016 under its resolution Nos. 7(I)(A), 7(II)(A) and 8, be accepted and that the Degrees of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), Master of Technology (M.Tech.), Master of Computer Application (MCA), Master of Pharmacy (M. Pharm.), Master of Science (M.Sc.), Master of Law (LL.M.), Bachelor of Technology (B. Tech.), B.A LL.B (Hons.), B.Com. LL.B (Hons.) (Five Year Integrated Programme), Bachelor of Business Management (BBA) and Diploma engineering programmes, be awarded at the Twenty second Convocation to **1797** candidates, who have successfully completed all the academic requirements prescribed for the same, as per the details attached herewith as **Appendix-A**.

Resolved further that, the President of the University be authorized to award all such degrees as approved by the Board in the Twenty-second Convocation of Nirma University.

B **RESOLUTION**

Resolved that the recommendation of the Academic Council made in its meeting held on 28.09.2016 under its resolution No. 7(II)(B) with regard to amendments in the existing **Ph.D. regulations** in view of latest amendments made by UGC vide University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degrees) Regulations, 2016 dated 5th May, 2016 as per revised document circulated on table after incorporating some changes as suggested by Faculty of Doctoral Studies and Research and as endorsed by Academic Council, be accepted as per as per **Appendix-B** attached herewith.

C **RESOLUTION**

Resolved that the recommendation of the Academic Council made in its meeting held on 28.09.2016 under resolution No. 11 with regard

to offering of admission in **Computer Integrated Manufacturing** (Mechanical Engineering branch), be kept *in abeyance* from Academic Year 2016-17 and onwards, be accepted.

6(I)(A),
6(II)

RESOLUTION

Resolved that the information furnished along with the agenda about decisions taken by the Director General under **Section 19(3) of the Nirma University Act**, be noted and approved as under:

Through Finance Committee: [6(I)(A)]

- a *Additional budget* sanctioned for Institute of Technology and Institute of Law for the year 2016-17 as per Encl.-IX-A as circulated with the agenda,
- b Approval of *budget estimate* for the Institute of Commerce for the year 2016-17 as per Encl.-IX-B as circulated with the agenda,
- c *Honorarium* of Rs.1,000/- per session of 60 minutes to the visiting faculties in BBA-MBA (5-year Integrated Programme), as per Encl. IX-C circulated with the agenda.

Through Academic Council: [6(II)]

- a. Amendment in the Regulation R.BCOM.2-Eligibility Criteria for candidates seeking admission in B.Com.(Hons.) programme as per Encl.-XII-A circulated with the agenda,
- b. Amendment in the Regulation R.BPLAN.2- Eligibility Criteria for candidates seeking admission in B. Plan. Programme as per Encl.-XII-B circulated with the agenda.

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B. RESOLUTION

Resolved that the information furnished along with the agenda about decisions taken by the Director General under **R-34A of Academic Regulations for Admission to University, etc**, as per Encl.-X circulated with the agenda, be noted as under:

Programme	Particulars	Amt. (p.a.)
B. Plan.	i. CIWGC-SEA	US\$ 4,000
	ii. NRI/ NRI (Sponsored)/ PIO/FN students	US\$ 5,000
	iii. PIO/ FN Students from SAARC countries	US\$ 4,000
B. Com. (Hons.)	i. General category	Rs. 75,000
	ii. NRI/ NRI (Sponsored)	US\$ 5,000
	iii. PIO/ FN	US\$ 2,500
	iv. PIO/FN from SAARC countries	US\$ 2,000
	v. CIWGC-SEA	US\$ 2,000

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C. RESOLUTION

Resolved that the information furnished about Fee of Rs.1,00,000/- p.a. for **B. Plan. programme** fixed by the **Fee Regulatory Committee (Technical)** vide its letter No. FRC/FEE-16-17/2016/140 dated 29.08.2016 for the academic year 2016-17 as per Encl-XI circulated with agenda, be noted.

TABLE ITEM:

7. Consideration of recommendation of Academic Council made in its meeting held on 28.09.2016 under resolution No. 15 with regard to establishment of "Directorate of Research and Innovation" at Nirma University. **(Encl.-XIII)**

[**Note:** This proposal was discussed first in the meeting of ADR Cell Steering Committee held on 23.09.2016 and it was decided to forward the same for the approval of Competent Authority of the University. Hence, the above item was deliberated in the meeting of Academic Council held on 28.09.2016 and its resolution is as under:

Resolved that the recommendation made by ADR Cell Steering Committee with regard to establishment of Directorate of Research at the Nirma University as per Encl.-XIII placed at the time of the meeting, be approved *in principle* with a suggestion that, the title is to be renamed as "Directorate of Research and Innovation", and the same be forwarded to the Board of Governors for its consideration.]

RESOLUTION

Resolved that the recommendation of the Academic Council made in its meeting held on 28.09.2016 under its resolution No. 15 with regard to establishment of '**Directorate of Research and Innovation**' at Nirma University as per Encl.-XIII place on the table, be accepted.

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