NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KARNATAKA, SURATHKAL

24th SENATE MEETING

Date : 3.05.2010

Time: 5.00 p.m.

Venue: ATB Seminar Hall N.I.T.K., SURATHKAL.

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Sandeep Sancheti	 Chairman
Dr. P.V. Bhandary	 Member
Dr. P.C.M. Kunhi	 Member
Dr. D.V.R. Murthy	 Member
Dr. G. Srinikethan	 Member
Dr. K.N. Lokesh	 Member
Dr. R. Shivashankar	 Member
Dr. A. Vittal Hegde	 Member
Dr. N. Lakshman	 Member
Dr. M.K. Nagaraj	 Member
Dr. Subba Rao	 Member
Dr. M.C. Narasimhan	 Member
Dr. A.U. Ravi Shankar	 Member
Dr. D. Venkat Reddy	 Member
Dr. Varghese George	 Member
Dr. K. Swaminathan	 Member
Dr. Gopal Mugeraya	 Member
Dr. M.B. Saidutta	 Member
Dr. A. Nityananda Shetty	 Member
Dr. A.V. Adhikari	 Member
Dr. Santhi Tilagam	 Member
Dr. H.S. Yajnanarayana Shastry	 Member
Dr. Udayakumar R.Y.	 Member

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Dr. S. Sumam David	 Member
Dr. M. Muralidhar Kulkarni	 Member
Dr. M.S. Bhat	 Member
Dr. A.H. Sequeira	 Member
Dr. K.B. Kiran	 Member
Dr. Ananthanarayana V.S.	 Member
Dr. G. Ram Mohana Reddy	 Member
Dr. K. P. Halemane	 Member
Dr. Kandasamy	 Member
Dr. K.K. Appu Kuttan	 Member
Dr. P. Mohanan	 Member
Dr. G.C. Mohan Kumar	 Member
Dr. H. Suresh Hebbar	 Member
Dr. Prasad Krishna	 Member
Dr. P. Prasad Rao	 Member
Dr. K. L. Bhat	 Member
Dr. K. Rajendra Udupa	 Member
Dr. A.O. Surendranathan	 Member
Dr. K. Narayana Prabhu	 Member
Dr. Ch. S.N. Murthy	 Member
Dr. Harsha Vardhan	 Member
Dr. G. Umesh	 Member
Dr. Kasturi V. Bangera	 Member
Sri P.G. Mohanan	 Member
Dr. Puroshotham Gowda	 Member
Dr. A. Mahesha	 Spl. Invitee
Mr. Mohammed Aslam	 Student Representative
Mr. Dhanesh	 Student Representative
Dr. M. Govinda Raj	 Secretary

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dr. S. Srinivas Murthy		Member
Dr. D.K. Subramanian		Member
Sri Narendran Koduvattat		Member
Dr. Shrikumar Suryanarayanan	·····	Member
Dr. Sham Sadashiv Wagh		Member
Dr. P.P. Chikate		Member
Dr. G.K. Shivakumar		Member
Dr. S. G. Mayya		Member
Dr. Katta Venkataramana		Member (On sabbatical leave)
Dr. K. Chandrashekar Shet		Member
Dr. K. Chandrasekaran		Member (On sabbatical leave)
Dr. P. Durai Kannu		Member
Dr. K. Panduranga Vittal		Member
Dr. Robert John D'Souza		Member
Dr. S.M. Hegde		Member
Dr. T.P. Ashok Babu		Member
Dr. K. Srinivasan		Member
Dr. V. Rama Sastry		Member

Preamble :

The Chairman welcomed all Senate members to the 24th Senate meeting. He informed the members that the Golden Jubilee Convocation is scheduled to be held on 5.05.2010. He extended the invitation to all the members to participate in Convocation ceremony.

Chairman informed that during the Convocation, apart from B.Tech, M.Tech, MCA, MBA, M.Sc degrees and 50 Ph.D degrees are to be awarded which is a landmark amongst the NIT System. He mentioned that this achievement is in accordance with the suggestions of the BOG during the 6th Convocation. Chairman informed that NITK has also been sanctioned a project to setup Virtual Lab (SOLVE). NITK also has been included as a Sub-Centre under NPTEL programme and requested the Senators to encourage the staff members to develop the course materials for at least 10 web/videos courses in the first phase. NITK, Surathkal has been requested by the MHRD to visit CMTI, Bangalore for undertaking joint activities as well as Research and Development. Chairman informed that Institute has taken further steps for mentoring NIT, Goa by identifying the temporary location and planning of other infrastructural facilities for starting the academic activities for the year 2010-11.

A. Confirmation of Minutes of 23rd Meeting of the Senate held on 26.02.2010 and 1.03.2010 respectively.

The Senate resolved to confirm the minutes of the 23rd Senate meeting.

B. Review of Action taken on Minutes of 23rd Meeting of the Senate held on 26.02.2010 and 1.3.2010 respectively.

The actions taken on the minutes of 23rd Senate meeting were reviewed. However, in respect of Item No. 23-Senate-C20 the resolutions were modified as given below:

Item No. 23-Senate-C20:

Mentoring of NIT Goa – Requirements of First year curriculum, course structure.

Old Resolution	Modified Resolution	
Members were informed about the entrustment of mentoring of NIT, Goa to NITK. Senate resolved that the first year curriculum and course structure and contents as existing in NITK shall be followed for the academic session 2010-11 for NIT, Goa.	to NITK. Senate recommended that the first year curriculum and course structure and contents as existing in	

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C. Items placed before the 24th Senate Meeting held on 3rd May, 2010.

Discussion and Decision Items:

Item No.24-Senate-C1:

Convocation-Additional List of eligible Candidates for the award of M.Tech & Ph.D degree during the 7th Convocation.

The Senate resolved to approve the list of eligible candidates (1-M.Tech and 15- Ph.D) for the award of M.Tech and Ph.D degrees during the VII Convocation.

It was further resolved that the matter shall be placed for approval of BOG.

Item No. 24-Senate-C2:

Recommendations of the Committee constituted for formulating guidelines/recruitment rules for staff selection.

In accordance with the suggestion of BOG for reconsideration of the subject matter, the Chairman briefed the Senate members on various provisions existing in NIT Act/Statutes in respect of selection process for faculty and staff.

After detailed discussion the Senate resolved as follows:

- 1. The Departmental Committee would shortlist the candidates to be called for interview by devising an appropriate procedure.
- 2. In case a candidate is not being considered due to matching of specialization, an Institute Level Standing Committee shall consider these candidates and decide if they are suitable for interdisciplinary activities. In such cases the Committee will also decide the department the candidate shall be assigned to for participation in the interview.
- 3. The HODs of each department shall provide the desired areas of specialization for current round of selections.

Item No. 24-Senate-C3: Convocation Dress Code and Procedure

The Senate resolved to retain the existing procedure regarding the Convocation Ceremony.

However, in case of Dress Code following were approved:

- 1. All Senators will continue to adorn the Mysore Peta.
- 2. An "Angavastram" of different colours for the Chief Guest, Chairman, Director, BOG members, Senators and Students as suggested by the Committee.
- 3. For male Senators Dark trousers and White full hand shirt and for lady Senators cream coloured saree with matching blouse shall be the dress code.

Table Agenda Items of 24th Senate Meeting held on 3.05.2010.

Discussion and Decision Items:

Item No. 24-Senate-C4: Request for Branch Change.

The Senate resolved to approve the request of Mr. Ajith Kumar Ghoyal (08EC03) for change of Branch from Electronics and Communication dept. to Mining Engg., department, as a special case. Keeping in view any such request coming in future, the following guidelines shall be followed:

- i) At least 15% vacancies shall be available in the branches to which the candidates desire to be relocated.
- ii) The Branch Change shall be allowed only at the entry of second year wherein a candidate will be losing one academic year or more depending on situation.
- iii) Any pre-requisites that may be necessary in the new branch to which the candidate is shifting shall be the responsibility of the candidate.

- iv) It shall be ensured that the AIEEE original merit shall not be disturbed/affected, by such changes.
- v) All such requests for Branch change shall be considered as special cases to be dealt with on case by case basis.

Item No. 24-Senate-C5:

Permission to pursue short-term student exchange promotion Programme in Kumamoto University, Japan.

The Senate in-priniciple approved the student exchange programmes. However, the DUGC of Civil Engg., dept. shall once again discuss the issue after the student actually receives the selection intimation under this exchange programme. The DUGC will specifically recommend with respect to the number of credits the student is likely to earn during this period and its acceptance by the department.

The matter shall be brought before the next Senate meeting for decision.

Item No. 24-Senate-C6:

Permission for temporary withdrawal from III year B.Tech (Mechanical Engg.) Programme.

The Senate resolved to approve the request of Mr. Manish Prasad (06M202), III year B.Tech student to extend his temporary withdrawal for one more year i.e 2009-10 and permitting him to join the B.Tech regular course from the academic year 2010-11.

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However, the Senate resolved that the medical certificate for such withdrawal on medical grounds should be obtained from authorized medical officers of the Government hospital in the district.

Item No. 24-Senate-C7:

Convocation-Additional List of eligible Candidate for the award of Ph.D degree during the 7th Convocation.

The Senate resolved to approve one additional Ph.D scholar for the award of degree during 7th Convocation.

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Ratification Item:

Item No. 24-Senate C8:

Common Admission for M.Tech. Programs for the year 2010-11.

The Senate resolved to ratify the action taken by the Chairman to join with other NITs, for common admission for M.Tech programme for the year 2010-11 coordinated by NIT, Trichy.

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The Senate further resolved that for other PG programmes like M.Sc., M.C.A., M.B.A., and Ph.D the Institute shall call for applications and undertake the admission process independently. The Senate further resolved that in case of some of the M.Tech seats remaining vacant, the Institute can take necessary steps to fill the seats from amongst GATE/Non GATE candidates.

Reporting Item:

Item No. 24-Senate-C9:

Reporting of abstracts of thesis evaluation reports of research scholars.

The Senate noted the reports and thanked all the examiners for their valuable support in evaluating the Ph.D theses.

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Item No.24-Senate-C10:

Student representatives in Convocation Ceremony.

The Senate after detailed discussion resolved not to permit the formal presence of the student representatives in Convocation Ceremony.

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Item No. 24-Senate-C11:

Appreciation for Ms. Sandya Shenoy, M.Sc Chemistry Student

The Senate resolved to record its appreciation for Ms. Sandya Shenoy, M.Sc (Chemistry) student for achieving a CGPA 10/10 and receiving the gold medal.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

(M. Govinda Raj)

Secretary-Senate, NITK

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(Sandeep Sancheti) Chairman-Senate, NITK