
Minutes of 3rd BoG held on 23.2.22

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> On 29-Mar-2022, at 11:46 AM, Director IIITkalyani <director@iiitkalyani.ac.in> wrote:

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> Dear Sir,

> Please find the minutes of the 3rd BoG meeting attached herewith for your approval.

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> With regards,

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> Santanu Chattopadhyay

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> Prof. Santanu Chattopadhyay

> Director, Indian Institute of Information Technology, Kalyani,

> Professor, Dept. of Electronics & Elec. Comm. Engg., IIT Kharagpur



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**Resolutions of the 3rd Meeting of the Board of Governors of
Indian Institute of Information Technology, Kalyani held on
23rd February, 2022 at 3.00pm through Video Conference**

The following members were present:

1. **Shri Manoj Kohli** : Chairperson
Country Head, SoftBank India, SoftBank Group International and
Chairman, BoG, IIIT Kalyani
2. **Shri Randhir Kumar, IAS** : Member, State Govt. Nominee
Secretary, Deptt. of Information Technology and Electronics, Govt.
of West Bengal
On behalf of
Shri Rajeev Kumar, IPS
Principal Secretary, Deptt. of Information Technology and
Electronics, Govt. of West Bengal
3. **Shri K.K. Singh** : Member, Industry Partner
Founder and Executive Chairman, Rolta Group
4. **Shri Arun Prakash Sarkar** : Member, Industry Partner
General Manager, WEBEL
5. **Prof. M. Balakrishnan** : Member
Retd. Professor and Former Deputy Director
Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi
6. **Prof. V.K. Tewari** : Member
Director, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur
7. **Shri Apurba Bhattacharya** : Member
Outstanding Scientist, Deputy Director, Space Applications Centre,
ISRO, Ahmedabad
8. **Dr. Arpan Pal** : Member
Chief Scientist and Research Area Head, Embedded Devices and
Intelligent Systems, TCS Research and Innovation
9. **Prof. Chittaranjan Mandal** : Member
Professor, Computer Science & Engg.
Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur
10. **Dr. Uma Das** : Member
Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani
11. **Dr. Imon Mukherjee** : Member
Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani
12. **Prof. Santanu Chattopadhyay** : Member
Director, IIIT Kalyani
13. **Dr. Muruganatham Ponnusamy** : Secretary
Deputy Registrar, IIIT Kalyani

Shri Rakesh Ranjan, Addl. Secretary (TE), MoE, Govt. of India shared his view on the agenda items separately, before the meeting which was duly considered in the deliberation.

Chairman welcomed all the members to the meeting and emphasized on the importance of the meeting, as the deadline for getting to the permanent campus is approaching. For the progress of the Institute, it is now necessary that the transition is smooth and without any further delay. He also informed the Board that one of the members, Prof. Sanghamitra Bandyopadhyay, Director Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata has been honoured with the Padma Shree award by the Govt. of India. The Board congratulated Prof. Bandyopadhyay for her remarkable achievement, marked it as a proud moment for the Institute as well and decided to put it on record of the meeting.

Point wise discussion on the agenda items started and the following decision was taken.

Item No. 1: Confirmation of minutes of the 2nd BoG Meeting held on 9th November, 2021.

The minutes of the 2nd BoG meeting held on 9th November, 2021 was confirmed.

Item No. 2: Action Taken Report on the resolution of the 2nd meeting of the BoG.

No action was necessary on the resolutions of the 2nd meeting.

Item No. 3: Director's Reporting.

Director reported to the Board the following.

- Second convocation of the Institute has been held successfully on 24th November, 2021 in a virtual mode for the students graduated in 2020 and 2021. Mr. K Ananth Krishnan, Executive Vice President and Chief Technology Officer, Tata Consultancy Services, has been the Chief Guest of the event and delivered the convocation address.
- Students of the final semester could get close to 100% placement offer this time, compared to about 85% in the preceding year. The average salary offered has increased to Rs. 10.73 LPA, compared to about Rs. 8.0 LPA in the last year. Maximum salary offered is about Rs. 15.0 LPA. The Board appreciated the same and congratulated the students as well as the placement team of the Institute for their achievements.
- The Institute has applied for obtaining the NIRF ranking and has duly submitted all the required information.
- A total of 158 students have joined in the B.Tech curriculum of the Institute this time, with 109 in CSE and 49 in ECE.
- Institute has received a 3 Star rating, out of 5, in Innovation activities. Board has urged that consolidated effort be made by the faculty members, researchers and students, as there seems to be lot of scope for improvements.

Item No. 4: Proposal to include one nominee from each of the Private Partners in the BoG, as per Memorandum of Association.

Director informed the Board that as per the communication received from the MoE, the IIIT Act which came into existence from 2017 superseded all previous MoA/MoU. However, the Board observed that as IIIT Kalyani came into existence before 2017 and the MoA was signed at the time of its inception. As per the MoA, there should be one member from each of the Industry Partners. The Board asked the Institute to write letters to apprise the Ministry, the State Government and other Private Partners about the situation and seek their views on the same. The item be taken up for discussion in the next BoG meeting.

Item No. 5: Status report on construction of new campus of the Institute.

Director informed the Board that as on 31.01.2022, the physical progress of construction is 60% and expenditure Rs. 47.33 Crore (out of the sanction of Rs. 144 crore). The targeted date of completion is 30.06.2022.

Director also informed that a letter has been received by the Institute from the Principal Secretary, Dept. of IT&E, Govt. of West Bengal. In that letter, it has been told that the department is going to propose the Govt. of West Bengal to handover the land required only for the Phase-I and Phase-II constructions of IIIT Kalyani. The space marked for future expansion of the Institute will not be given, as land is at premium in the State. This means that about 30-34 acres of land be given, instead of 50 acres, as per the MoU. The department has asked for views of the Institute on the proposal. The members deliberated on the proposal and decided to get the views of the Central Government, before giving any opinion to the State. Board has directed the Institute to write a letter to the Secretary, MoE informing him about the letter, the plan/requirements of the Institute to grow to its full strength and seek his opinion on the same. The financial contributions from the State Government should also be included in the letter.

Item No. 6: Fund status of the Institute.

The present fund status of the Institute was discussed and the following points noted.

- The representative from ROLTA Foundation informed the Board that the accumulated interest of Rs. 122.81 Lakhs generated from the fund released by them so far, may be transferred to the Institute against Rs. 320 Lakhs remaining from them. The remaining sum of Rs. 197.19 Lakhs will be remitted by the ROLTA Foundation only after the entire funds have been released by the MoE, Govt. of India and the Govt. of West Bengal. The Board agreed to the proposal and instructed the Institute to carry out the transfer.
- The Board also instructed the Institute to return the excess amount of Rs. 2.00 Lakhs to the Central Government which has been released by the ministry over and above Rs. 10 Crore committed on the recurring head.

Item No. 7: To start 3-year Executive M.Tech program in “Advanced Communication Systems and Signal Processing”.

Board has agreed to the proposal to start the program from July 2022. However, it has been suggested that the term “3-year” be dropped from the name of the program and the Institute should explore the possibility of awarding the degree as and when the requisite credits for the course have been cleared by a student.

Item No. 8: To rename the M.Tech in “Artificial Intelligence and Data Science” as an Executive M.Tech program.

Board agreed to the proposal.

Item No. 9: Proposal to allow online classes for Humanities subjects.

Board discussed on the proposal and decided that online classes may be permitted only in case of a renowned person taking the classes for whom it may be difficult to travel to Kalyani

on a regular basis. The permission to allow such online classes be sought from the Chairman BoG with the recommendation of the Senate. Any such approval by the Chairman be ratified in the immediate next meeting of the BoG.

Item No. 10: To consider Associate Professor Applicants in ECE, in addition to CSE.

Board discussed the proposal and directed the Institute to put a fresh advertisement for Associate Professor with CSE and ECE specializations. The applications received against the previous advertisement no. IITK/Rectt/21-22/F/12 will be considered along with the applications in the new advertisement.

Item No. 11: To consider the nonfaculty recruitment rules of the Institute.

Board accepted the suggestions and post distributions made by the expert committee.

Item No. 12: Proposal to pay the outsourced manpower at Central Government rates.

To bring uniformity in the mode of payments between all the manpower involved in the Institute, Board has decided to pay the outsourced manpower at Central Government rates with effect from 1st January, 2022.

Item No. 13: Proposal for commencing corpus fund scheme to meet Infrastructure maintenance, Gratuity, Leave Encashment.

The members emphasized the necessity of the corpus fund. Board has directed the Institute to study the way it is done at different IITs/NITs/IITs and come up with a proposal to deliberate upon, in the next meeting of the BoG.

Item No. 14: Proposal to extend the benefits of retirement gratuity and death gratuity to the employees covered under NPS.

Board approved the benefits to be extended to the employees of the Institute covered under NPS.

Item No. 15: Additional rooms in the BSNL Hostel. .

As there are 32 rooms provided by the BSNL at present, it is sufficient to accommodate upto 96 student. In the post-pandemic situation, hostel facility be opened in a phased manner. Board has suggested to inform BSNL that the requirement of additional 30 rooms will be communicated to them well in advance.

Item No. 16: Implementation of NEP-2020 policies.

Board noted various activities by the Institute in this regard, as enumerated by the Director.

Item No. 17: To ratify the hike in DA to 31% from July 2021.

Board approved the hike in DA for all permanent employees of the Institute.

Item No. 18: To ratify the academic calendar 2022-23.

Board approved the academic calendar.

Item No. 19: To ratify the holiday list of 2022.

Board approved the holiday list for the year 2022.

Item No. 20: To ratify the Visiting Faculty appointment.

Board approved the appointment of Prof. Bhabatosh Chanda as a Visiting Professor in the ECE department of the Institute from 4th Febraury, 2022 for a period of one year.

Item No. 21: Confirmation of faculty and staff members completing their probation period.

Board asked the Institute to constitute a confirmation committee for the faculty members. The committee will look into the activities/achievements during the probation period. Recommendations of the committee along with performance report of the probation duration be sent to the Chairman for confirmation. For staff members, performance report be sent to the Chairman. The decision of the Chairman will be ratified in the next BoG meeting.

Item No. 22: To ratify the promotion of Administrative/Non-Teaching Staff.

Board accepted the recommendation to promote, with effect from 23rd February, 2022,

- Dr. Madhumita Sengupta to Assistant Registrar 7th CPC Pay Scale 11.
- Mr. Md. Samim Rahaman to Senior Technical Assistant 7th CPC Pay Scale 7.

Item No. 23: To report: Minutes of the 4th Building and Works Committee meeting held on January 19, 2021.

Board noted the minutes.

Item No. 24: To report: Minutes of the 5th Senate Meeting held on January 20, 2022.

Board noted the minutes.

Item No. 25: To report: Suspension of Mr. Amit Kumar Sadhukhan, Technical Assistant.

Board noted the same.

The meeting ended with thanks from and to the Chair.
