

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The 3rd Meeting of Governing Body of Pimpri Chinchwad University, Pune was held on Wednesday, 3rd July 2024 at 11:00 am in the Board Room at Pimpri Chinchwad University, Pune. The minutes of the meeting are appended below.

The following members were present.

Sr. No.	Designated Member	Designation	Attendance
1	Shri. Harshawardhan Shahajirao Patil	Chairperson	Present
2	Dr. Manimala Puri, Vice Chancellor (I/c)	Member	Present
3	Dr. Sudeep D. Thepade, Pro-Vice Chancellor	Member	Present
4	Shri. Dnyaneshwar Pandurang Landge	Member	Present
5	Smt. Padma Maloji Bhosale	Member	Present
6	Shri. Vitthal Somaji Kalbhor	Member	Present
7	Shri. Shantaram Dagdu Garade	Member	Present
8	Shri. Prataprao Pawar	Member	Present
9	Dr. K. K. Aggarwal	Member	Present
10	Dr. Pandit Vidyasagar	Member	Absent
11	Shri. Sachin Itkar	Member	Present
12	Shri. Salim Shikalgar	Member- Government Nominee	Present
13	Shri.Rajesh M. Patil	Member- Government Nominee	Present
14	Dr. Girish Desai	Member	Present
15	Shri. Narendra Dnyaneshwar Landge	(Special Invitee)	Present
16	Shri. Ajinkya Vitthal Kalbhor	(Special Invitee)	Present

Hon'ble President Shri. Harshawardhan Shahajirao Patil, was requested to occupy the chair.

The meeting of the members was called upon to discuss and transact the following business:

# To grant leave of absence, if any:

Dr.Pandit Vidyasagar expressed his inability to attend the meeting and was granted leave of absence.

# The discussion started on the agenda points:

# Item No.01: Welcome note by Vice-Chancellor (I/c)

Dr. Manimala Puri, Vice Chancellor (I/c) welcomed all the Governing Body members in the meeting. She introduced new Governing Body members as Industry experts nominated by Government of Maharashtra.

Hon'ble President Shri. Harshavardhan Patil Sir welcomed all eminent members of the Governing Body. He congratulated Team PCU for successful completion of first year and appreciated the efforts and initiatives taken by the Team to lead the Pimpri Chinchwad University, Pune at the right direction.

He opened up the discussion and directed to proceed further with the agenda points.

Item No. 02: To consider and approve the Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Governing Body held on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2023 and to take note of the Action Taken Report.

**Discussion:** The Minutes of the previous meeting and the Action taken report was shown to the members.

It was suggested by the members that, proceedings and Minutes of the meeting shall reach to the Governing Body members well in advance along with the annexes of the meeting.

The Members after due deliberations took note of the same and passed the following resolution unanimously:

(Resolution No. GB/2024/03/02/01)

"RESOLVED THAT the members approved the Minutes of the Governing Body Meeting - 02 and action taken report (ATR).

**FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a certified copy of this resolution may be furnished to the concerned person(s) and/or authorities for giving effect to this resolution as mentioned in **(Annexure\_A)**".

Item No.03: To consider and approve the New Programmes, Intake and Fees offered by Pimpri Chinchwad University, Pune for Academic Year 2024-25.

#### Discussion:

New programs and student intake was put before the members for their perusal. The comparative statement of fees for AY 23-24 and 24-25 was discussed in the meeting. Mr. Rajesh Patil was curious to know about the fee fixation process. Dr. Puri explained the process of the fee fixation. Fee fixation committee finalises the fees for all the courses in its committee meeting, she added.

It was suggested by the GB Member that, the supportive documents like Minutes of the fee fixation committee meeting shall also be circulated as an annexed along with the agenda of the meeting. It shall reach to all the members minimum 3-5 days prior to the GB meeting.

After the detail discussion and deliberation members passed the following resolution.

(Resolution No. GB/2024/03/03/02)

"RESOLVED THAT the members approved the New Programs, student Intake and Program Fee for the Academic Year 2024-25 as annexed in Annexure\_B".

Item No. 04: To sanction the Teaching staff requirement based on Students – Faculty ratio as per the regulatory norms

#### Discussion:

Since the commencement of all the activities of the University, especially teaching, it was necessary to appoint the required teaching staff on priority. Taken in to consideration of all programmes, intake and workload, University is in process to appoint the required staff as per the norms and standards prescribed by the regulatory bodies for smooth functioning of the University which is based on student faculty ratio.

However, Dr. Puri, VC (I/C) assured that the recruitments will be done based on the total count of the students.

Mr. Rajesh Patil, Government Nominee Member was seeking to know about the recruitment process. Dr. Puri has explained the process of recruitment in detail.

Dr. K. K. Aggarwal Sir suggested that we should recruit the Professors and higher scale faculty members vigilantly. They are future leaders and their behaviours and decisions will play a vital roles in building of brand PCU.

Shri. Prataprao Pawar Sir suggested to recruit more Professors of Practice. He insisted to appoint a search committee to head hunt and recruit more number of such Industry experts. The selection of such practitioners shall not be done through the selection process as it might be offending for such stalwarts but they should be wisely picked up from the industry.

Hon'ble Chancellor Shri. Harshavardhan Patil Sir suggested that the new incumbents shall be personally introduced to Trustees / Chancellor for information.

The Members after due deliberations took note of the same and passed the following resolution unanimously:

(Resolution No. GB/2024/03/04/03)

"RESOLVED THAT the members approved the sanctioned teaching staff for the Academic Year 2024-25 as annexed in Annexure\_ C".

# Item No. 05: To consider and approve the Revised financial Budget for Financial Year 2024-25.

#### Discussion:

Mr. Shankar Patil, DYFO briefed the revised budget for FY 2024-25. The budget is put forth after deliberating on different aspects like infrastructural development, futuristic requirements as per admissions, recruitments, welfare activities, facilities, construction projects, labs, consumables, maintenance etc.

GB Members suggested that the Budget documents should reach to the members well in advance. It should be in detail and easy to understand also suggested that budget should be backed up by the appropriate contents. The title and the Heads mentioned in the budget should be clearly defined.

Dr. Desai Sir explained the reasons for variation in the salary expenditures and challenges in recruiting people due to recent trends and market demands.

Mr. Salim Shikalgar Sir was curious to know the aspects considered under the students' welfare and development activities. Mr. Shankar Patil, Dr. Puri and Dr. Thepade explained about the activities under students' welfare as project work, experiential trainings, industry visits, guest lectures of experts & Eminent speakers, Expos, MOOC trainings, various certifications, Sports activities etc.

Dr. K K Aggarwal emphasised on Research and development activities and allocate extensive budget (i.e. may be up to 5-7%) on R&D. Being a University and to create a brand name in near future, the R&D activities should be promoted extensively. The equipment required for R&D may also be considered in budget allocation.

Mr. Rajesh Patil suggested to allocate a specific budget for FDP and training programs.

Dr. Desai and Dr. Puri acknowledged all the suggested points and assured the members to incorporate the suggestions in the next budget formation.

After discussion, members has passed the following resolution.

(Resolution No. GB/2024/03/05/04)

"RESOLVED THAT the members approved the revised financial budget for FY 2024-25 as annexed in Annexure\_D."

Item No.06: To take a review on admission procedure and notifying the admission numbers till date.

#### Discussion:

Dr. Puri explained the admission criterion and admission process at PCU. She informed everyone about the school wise and program wise admission status for AY 2024-25. We are expecting more number of admissions after CET CAP rounds of different programs, she added.

She appreciated the efforts of all PCU team for completing 1218 admissions earlier than the expected time.

The members have appreciated the efforts taken by the team and acknowledged the agenda item as annexed in Annexure\_E

Item No.07: To discuss and approve the infrastructure requirements suggested by Board of Management

#### Discussion:

Considering the present scenario and projected admissions for AY 2025-26, PCU needs extra 3,00,000 sq ft of constructions to conduct classes, labs and provide facilities with the required standards.

Shri. Prataprao Pawar suggested to optimise the usage of existing infrastructure. He insisted to find various ways to use work out appropriate options to use it optimally.

Dr. Desai Sir explained about the present practices undertaken to optimise the infrastructure.

Hon'ble Chancellor Shri. Harshavardhan Patil Sir suggested that the detailed infrastructural requirement should be worked out and submitted for the approval.

The Members after due deliberations took note of the same and passed the following resolution unanimously:

(Resolution No. GB/2024/03/07/05)

"RESOLVED THAT the infrastructural requirement was agreed and conditionally approved the plan.

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** a detailed plan of infrastructural requirements as annexed in **Annexure\_F** should be submitted for further deliberations and final approval."

Item No.08: To approve the 1st Statute and Ordinance of the University and submit to the Department of Higher and Technical Education, Govt. of Maharashtra.

#### Discussion:

The Statues and Ordinances are required to fulfil the statutory guidelines. These are formed as per the requirement of the statutory bodies.

(Resolution No. GB/2024/03/08/06)

"RESOLVED THAT the Statues and Ordinances are approved as mentioned in Annexure\_G.

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** a copy of approved Statues and Ordinances shall be submit to the Department of Higher and Technical Education."

## Item No.09: Reporting Items

### Discussion:

Dr. Sudeep Thepade, Pro Vice Chancellor, informed everyone about the efforts and achievements of Team PCU. He explained about the work and contributions made by the faculty and staff members on various ground.

## A. Academics: Strengthening efforts

Dr. Thepade Sir explained about the,

## i. NEP Compliant Curriculum design and implementation considering following,

- a. NEP Compliant: Course Structures and Detailed Curriculum
- b. Following the GRs, Norms and Guidelines by Statutory Bodies,
- c. Including the Contemporary Contents,
- d. Inclusion of Ability Enhancement Courses,
- e. Introduction of MDM / Minors-Majors, Unit-wise drafting of the Curriculum Contents.

# ii. Assessment strategies:

a. Devised considering the formative & summative assessments with encouragement to cognitive and experiential learning,

## iii. Incorporating the pattern of Examination and updates as,

- a. Exams-- Reexams-- Summer Term Exams,
- b. Timely Completion of Assessment and declarations of results,
- c. Drafted Examination R&R and Honorarium Policy.

### Academic monitoring planning and efforts,

a. Disciplined Conduction of Academics

b. Planned through University Academic Calendar-- School Event Calendar Regularly paced instances of Academic and Attendance Monitoring Transparency ensured by rules and regulations, Uniformity: through templates and formats

# v. ERP Incorporation and Support,

- a. Academics and Attendance Monitoring/ assessment / examination records
- b. Leaves and HR
- c. Finance and Admissions

## vi. Academic Audits: to ensure continual improvement

- a. Internal Audits: frequency once a semester (after semester results),
- b. External Audits: frequency once a year (after results of academic year).
- c. Guided by the audit policy document and audit formats

Hon'ble President Shri. Harshvardhan Patil Sir has praised the introduction of Academic at PCU.

#### B. MoU's

Dr. Thepade Sir explained about the PCET & PCU MoUs with the different collaborations. Mr. Rajesh Patil insisted to have a Tie ups with the industry specifically for PCU.

### C. PCU Initiatives

Dr. Thepade Sir informed everyone about the formation of Green Innovation Club and PCU RAHHAT: Wellness Clinic initiated by School of Sciences. He further explained about the anticipated road map and purpose of these initiatives.

### D. PCU Sanjeevani: Medicinal Plant Garden

Elaborated on PCU Sanjeevani medicinal plant garden formed under the School of Pharmacy. This will help to preserve and nurture the medicinal plants and educate our students about the usage of these plants.

### E. Webinars

PCU has conducted total 89 webinar till now and more are inline. These webinars are uploaded on YouTube channel for the reference of all.

# F. PCU Overseas Collaborations

Focused on various International Guest visits, activities, exposure and tie-ups.

# G. PCU recognitions & awards

a. PCU has constituted the Institutions Innovation Council (IIC) this will deliberated on quarterly action plan in synchronization with activities and initiatives of other departments, centers and facilities in the Institute working towards promoting IPR, Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Start up.

b. Session on innovation and entrepreneurship

c. Training Programs

d. Project Expo for students

e. Faculty Achievements

f. PCU got academic ranking from IIRF 2024 as Top 8 Emerging Private University of India.

H. Annual Cultural Fest and Inter Sports

a. Annual Sports named as "Kridarambh" conducted on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024 and Annual Fest named as "Anantam" was conducted on 27-28<sup>th</sup> March 2024 successfully. Prize distribution ceremony was also conducted for inspirational motivational purpose.

The members have appreciated the efforts taken by the team and acknowledge the agenda item as mentioned in Annexure\_H.

Item No. 10: Any other Items with the permission of the chair.

Mr. Rajesh Patil Sir appreciated the substantial growth of the University and efforts taken in right direction.

### ## VOTE OF THANKS:

There being no other business to be transacted, the meeting conclude with a vote of thanks to the Chair by President.

(Dr.Manimala Puri)

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Vice chancellor (I/c)

(Shri.Harshvardhan Shahajirao Patil, President)

Chairperson

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Date: 5th July 2024

Place: Pune