

Doon University
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Proceedings of the Second Meeting of the Executive Council of Doon University held on February 2, 2007 at 10:30 am in the Hotel Great Value, Rajpur Road, Dehradun

The following members were present:

Prof. Gajendra Singh	Chairman
Shri S. Raju	Member
Prof. M.G.K. Menon	Member
Prof. Prem Vrat	Member
Shri N.N. Thapliyal	Representative of the Principal Secretary, Finance,
Shri Ramesh Chandra Agrawal	Invitee
Prof. D.C. Thapliyal	Secretary

Prof. G.R. Kulkarni, expressed his inability to attend the meeting. However, his comments on various items were received and circulated among the members. He expressed his concurrence to confirm the minutes, adopt the Detailed Project Report (DPR), and approve the draft Statutes and budgetary proposals. He opined that the University should create repository of knowledge by adopting an interdisciplinary and research oriented approach to make it a Centre of Excellence.

Item 2007:2:1

Confirmation of the Minutes of the First Meeting of Executive Council held on November 8, 2006 at Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi.

No comments and suggestions were received on the minutes circulated. The proceedings of the First Meeting as circulated were confirmed.

(Action: No action required)

Item 2007:2:2

Review of action taken (First Meeting).

The Chair drew the attention of the Executive Council Members to certain typographical errors in the action taken report. In Item 2006:1:2 the action taken may be read as "the process of recruitment



of faculty is on, and the issue of recruitment of full time Dean is under consideration of the Government.”

The Chair apprised the Council that the University Logo which was released by the Hon'ble Chancellor, Doon University on October 9, 2006 has been put to use in the University.

On recruitment of Faculty in the University (Item No. 2006:1:9) the Council expressed the view that in order to ensure Excellence in quality of education at the University, the selection criteria of faculty would need to be benchmarked with those of IIT(s) and IIM(s). Since the establishment of the University is still at Project level the Government may be requested to provide the necessary funding for the first five years of its establishment/development.

The Council decided that the State Government may also be requested to provide block-grant to the University for recruitment of faculty on the total faculty requirement basis. The University may recruit faculty within the provisions of the grant without restricting the number of faculty to be recruited under various categories (Assistant Professors, Associate Professors or Professors).

(Action: Registrar/Finance Controller)

Item 2007:2:3

Approval of the Detailed Project Report (DPR) as submitted by the Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore.

The contents of the Detailed Project Report (DPR) of Doon University as submitted by the Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore were discussed at length by the Executive Council. The Council appreciated the recommendations as contained in the Report and noted that implementation of these recommendations would go a long way in developing Doon University as a Centre of Excellence in higher education as also envisaged in the Act of the University. The Council desired that the University be flexible in recruiting human resource and not get shackled by the avoidable administrative procedures. The Council desired that budgetary provisions be utilized with a sense of judicious accountability.

The Council Resolved to modify the name of the School of Mass Communication (as recommended in the DPR) to School of Communication.



The Council Resolved to adopt the DPR as prepared by the IIM-B and approve its implementation. It also authorized the University to use its discretion where necessary while implementing the recommendations of the DPR. The University may also prepare its budgetary requirements on the basis of the DPR and submit the same to the Government for consideration.

The Council further Resolved to approve the payment of remainder amount of consultancy fee (10 lac) to the IIM-B for preparing the DPR.

(Action: Registrar/Finance Controller)

Item 2007:2:4

Approval of the draft Statutes of the University.

The Executive Council discussed in detail the provisions as proposed in the draft Statutes of the University and noted the inputs provided by the IIM-B.

The Council Resolved ^{whilst} to approve the draft Statutes in principle. The Council directed that ^{it should} the University may apply Government rules and procedures where necessary for the time being, ~~but~~ may frame its own financial Statutes/rules and procedures. It was decided that in financial matters the Finance Committee and the Executive Council would take the final decisions.

The Council further Resolved to ensure that rigorous but fair performance evaluation criteria are put in place to recruit the faculty in the University. It was also decided that the University retain only high quality faculty in the University on the basis of their periodic work review for which appropriate provisions may be made in the Statutes.

It was decided that the University take appropriate steps for obtaining legal opinion on the aforesaid issues.

(Action: Registrar)

Item 2007:2:5

Budget estimates for the financial year 2007-08 and for 11th Five year Plan (2007-2012).

The Executive Council deliberated upon the budgetary proposals/ estimates for 2007-08 and for 11th Five Year Plan (2007-2012). The Council noted the request made by the University for Rs. 50 crores to the Government of Uttarakhand for the year 2007-08 of which Rs. 40 crores has been earmarked for construction work. The Council



further noted the demand of Rs. 377 crores made to the State Government on the basis of DPR projections. Of this a sum of Rs. 242 crore was indicated towards construction costs and Rs. 135 towards pay allowances and recurring expenses.

The Council directed the University to take up the issue of funding on the basis of DPR recommendations with the Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) to ensure smooth flow of the funds for establishing the University.

(Action: Finance Controller)

Item 2007:2:6

Appointment made by the Search and Select Committee in the School of Mass Communication.

The Chair apprised the Council about the Contract appointments made by the Search and Select Committees in the School of Mass Communication and the School of Environment and Natural Resources. The Search and Select Committees perused the curriculum-vitae and had detailed discussions with the candidates on the formulation of academic programmes and infrastructural facilities required.

The Council noted the appointments made on Contract in the School of Mass Communication:

1. Prof. M. Asad Nizam- Professor, 2 years
2. Dr. Abhilasha Kumari- Professor, 2 years
3. Dr. Pradeep Chakravarty- Consultant, 1 year

The Council also noted the Contract selections made in the School of Environment and Natural Resources:

1. Dr. Jyoti Kumar Sharma- Professor, 2 years
2. Dr. Arun Srivastava- Assistant Professor, 2 years
3. Dr. Sunita Chakravarty- Consultant, 1 year

The Council advised the University that background information about the selected candidates in the Schools as above may be provided to the Executive Council. It was also decided that selections to regular faculty positions made in the University should be presented to the Executive Council before release of appointment letter(s) to the person(s) concerned.

The Chair informed the Council that for regular appointments in the University the procedure of appointment has been given in detail in the draft Statutes. The Statutes contain the procedure for nomination



of experts to the Selection Committees by the Chancellor and the Vice-Chancellor. *The work of experts has to have the approval of the Executive Council.*

The Council suggested that the Government be requested to declare Doon University as an Institution of Excellence in the State. It was decided that in the beginning, the University may admit students on merit for various Masters and Doctoral programmes only. The Reservation Policy would be as prescribed by the State Government.

(Action: Registrar)

Item 2007:2:7

Progress of work in the University since the first meeting of the Executive Council.

The Executive Council reviewed the progress of construction work at the Kedarpur^am site and hoped that construction schedule shall be adhered to in order to admit students for 2007-08 Academic Session.

The Council decided that Doon University must have IT driven Campuses and that IT experts be involved for developing Doon University on modern lines keeping in view its futuristic needs. The Council expressed its satisfaction on general as well as financial progress of the University.

(Action: Registrar/Finance Controller)

Item 2007:2:8

Any other item with the permission of Chair.

(a) Selection of faculty for the School of Environment and Natural Resources:

The Item was taken up alongwith Item no 2007:2:6 of the Agenda.

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


(D.C. Thapliyal)
Registrar