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Sub: Minutes of the 46th SCSA meeting held on 04.12.2013 at 4.30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Golden Jubilee Administrative Building. NIT Kurukshetra.

The following were present:

1. Prof. Anand Mohan, Director

in Chair

2. Dr. V.K. Sehgal, Dean (P&D)

3. Dr. A.K. Gupta, Dean (Academics)

4. Dr. P.J. Philip (Dean Students Welfare & Head MBA)

5. Dr. K.K. Singh, Dean (Estate)

6. Dr. Mayank Dave, Dean (R & C)

7. Dr. V.K. Arora, Proessor, CED

8. Dr. D.K. Soni, Head, CED

9. Dr. R.S. Bhatia, (Head, EED)

10. Dr. Sudhir Kumar, Head, MED

11. Dr. Umesh Ghanekar, Head, ECE Deptt

12. Dr. J.K. Chhabra, Head, Computer Engg. Deptt

13. Dr. J.K. Quamara, Head, Physics Deptt.

14. Dr. Minati Baral, Head Chemistry

15. Dr. Paras Ram, Head, Maths. Deptt

16. Dr. Rajender Kumar, Head Hum & SS

17. Dr. L.M. Saini, Professor I/C (Acad. Affairs & Senate)

18. Dr. S.M. Gupta, Controller of Exams

19. Dr. Shyam Narayan, Registrar & Secretary, SCSA

At the outset, the Director welcomed all the members and briefed them about the meeting held on 7 – 8 November, 2013 at the Rashtrapati Bhawan with the Hon'ble President of India. He told that in the meeting it was emphasized to take the steps required to improve the quality of technical education and faculty development in NITs to bring it at par with the top technical institutions of the world; steps for

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creating inter-linkages of NITs amongst themselves and with the industry; steps required to use National Knowledge Network effectively in the NITs; and suggestions to improve the Visitor- NIT interface within the existing statutory framework of each NIT. The Director also informed that the MOU signed between NIT Kurukshetra and IIT Roorkee has been circulated to all the Heads of the Departments. He emphasized for working for implementing the MOU in its true sense.

Thereafter, the agenda was taken up and agenda wise following decisions were taken:

Item 46.1: To consider and approve the relaxation of eligibility conditions for admission to Ph.D. programs in inter-disciplinary areas of research in exceptional cases.

To encourage the research in inter-disciplinary areas, it was resolved that the eligibility condition be relaxed in exceptional cases and a candidate may be admitted to Ph.D. program in the Institute if:

- i) The proposed research topic is inter-disciplinary in nature and covers an important / novel area of research in national / international context.
- ii) The candidate has Master's degree with exceptional academic / research background and research / professional experience in proposed area of research, as evidenced by awards / research reports / research publications.
- iii) The proposed research Supervisor, DRC & Dean (Academics) have recommended and Chairman, Senate has approved the required relaxation in eligibility condition.

It was further resolved that above conditions shall only be applicable to the candidates having the academic / research outputs with high credential and having secured more the minimum percentage age of marks so far as eligibility of its candidate is concerned.

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Item 46.2: To approve procedure for nomination of senate nominees on Board of Governors

It was resolved that the Heads of all the Departments be requested to recommend TWO names of Professors, Associate Professors / Assistant Professors, as the case may be, in order of preference who have high credential in teaching, research, publications etc. and also have administrative acumen, for nomination as member(s) on the Board of Governors.

The Chairman, Senate may consider these names for nomination as members on the Board of Governors and if none of the above names is not found suitable then the Chairman, Senate, is authorized to decide the name(s) for nomination as Senate Nominee member(s) on the Board of Governors.

Item 46.3: To consider the proposal to start M.Tech. program in Chemistry Department

The proposal to start M.Tech. program in Chemistry was considered and discussed. It was resolved that M.Tech. program in Chemistry be started. However, the exact nomenclature of the course as proposed by the Department may be reviewed giving some emphasis for Molecular Engineering also.

The HOD Chemistry will place the matter before the DAC to decide about the details of the course structure and the syllabi as per the structure approved by the Senate and re-submit the same for final approval.

Any other item: No other item was discussed in the meeting.

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

(Anand Mohan)

Director & Chairman, SCSA

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