

School of Planning and Architecture Vijayawada

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Vijayawada – 520008, Andhra Pradesh, India

Minutes of 38th Meeting of the Board of Governors

**Held on 21.10.2023 at 15:00 Hrs.
at Board Room, SPA Vijayawada on
dual mode**

SCHOOL OF PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURE, VIJAYAWADA
Survey No.4/4, ITI Road, Vijayawada-520008, AP

MEMBERS PRESENT:

1. Dr.Amogh Kumar Gupta	Chairperson
2. Prof.Dr.Ramesh Srikonda, Director, SPAV	Member
3. Prof.Dr.Virendra Kumar Paul, Nominee of UGC	Member
4. Sh.Pradeep Kapoor, Nominee of ITPI	Member
5. Ar.Abhijit Shirodkar, Nominee of CoA	Member
6. Sh.Pawan Kumar, Under Secretary to GoI Department of Higher Education, MoE, GoI (Nominee of JS, MoE)	Member
7. Sh.Uday Kiran, Under Secretary, MoE, GoI (Nominee of JS & FA, MoE)	Member
8. Dr.S.V. Krishna Kumar, Nominee of Senate, SPAV	Member
9. Dr.Ayon Kumar Tarafdar, Nominee of Senate, SPAV	Member
10. Sh.K.V.Uma Maheswara Rao, Registrar, SPAV	Secretary

The Director welcomed all the members of the Board of Governors for the meeting and delivered a brief introduction about the Chairperson Dr.Amogh Kumar Gupta who has taken the charge and presided over the meeting of the BoG for the first time.

The Chairperson advised the Registrar to present the Agenda items.

The Integrated Finance Division(IFD), Ministry of Education, GoI offered their comments vide Lr.No.1-44/2017-IFD, dt.20.10.2023 on the Agenda Items of 38thBoG Meeting which were placed in the meeting for the perusal of the Board Members.

ITEM FOR CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Confirmation of the Minutes of the 37th Board of Governors meeting held on 31.03.2023 at Board Room, SPA Vijayawada.

The Minutes of the 37th Meeting of Board of Governors held on 31.03.2023 at Board Room, SPA Vijayawada were circulated to all the members. Since no comments were received from the members, the minutes were approved by the Board.

Action Taken Report (ATR) on the Minutes of the 37th Board of Governors Meeting held on 31.03.2023.

37.1	Implementation of Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972 for the employees of SPAV.
Action Taken	The Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972 implemented for the employees of SPA Vijayawada and the provision made for gratuity in the books of accounts.
Decision	The Board noted the same.
37.2	Release of Terminal Benefits to the dependents of Late .P.LeelaVara Prasad, Accountant.
Action Taken	Releasing of Gratuity to the dependent family members is under process. The matter regarding applicability of the old pension scheme has been sent to the MoE for clarification, vide letter dt.30.05.2023.

Decision	The Board noted the same.
37.3	Advertising the posts of Technical Assistants.
Action Taken	The advertising the posts of Technical Assistants is published vide Advt.No.03/2023, Dated 19.06.2023
Decision	The Board noted the same
37.4	Change of Nomenclature for the post of Multi Skill Assistant, Accountant and Jr. Superintendent to Senior Assistant.
Action Taken	The details were sent to MoE for clarification vide letter dated 30.05.2023.
Decision	The Board noted the same
37.5	Revision of Scale of pay for the post of Librarian.
Action Taken	The details were sent to MoE for clarification, vide letter dt.30.05.2023.
Decision	The Board noted the same
37.6	Pending Faculty issues of SPAV
37.06(1)	Up-Gradation i.r.o. Sh.S.V. Krishna Kumar, Associate Professor.
Action Taken	Released the Arrears to Sh.S.V.Krishna Kumar, Associate Professor
Decision	Upgradation of his pay from Gr.Pay Rs.8,000/- to Gr.Pay Rs.9,000/- PB:4 as per 6 th CPC w.e.f 14.12.2012 and release of arrears was noted by the Board.
37.06(2)	Grant of Pay Up-Gradation on Accelerated Promotional Benefits.
Action Taken	The details were sent to MoE for clarification vide letter dated 30.05.2023.
Decision	The Board noted the same
37.06(3)	Grant of Non-compounded increments for acquiring Ph.D by the Faculty while in service.
Action Taken	The details were sent to MoE for clarification vide letter dated 30.05.2023. Here, The Board Members requested the Ministry representative to expedite the matters pending at Ministry level for approval /comments / observations. (Item Number 37.2, 37.4,37.5, 37.06) so the pending issues can be closed to logical end.
Decision	The Board noted the same
37.06(4)	Reporting / Reviewing of APARs of Faculty Members for the preceding 5years.
Action Taken	Action will be initiated by the Director in accordance with rules.
Decision	The Board noted the same
37.06(5)	Pay protection and Pay fixation of Prof. S. Ramesh, Professor.
Action Taken	Letter sent to C&AG to drop the para with justification.
Decision	The Board noted the same and directed to inform the matter to the Board for information after dropping the para by the C&AG.
37.07	Leave Rules for SPA Vijayawada.
Action Taken	As per the decision of the Board, the leave rules for faculty will be implemented.
Decision	The Board noted the same
37.08	Sanction of Additional posts of Faculty and Non-Faculty.
Action Taken	The proposal for additional faculty positions was sent to MoE vide our letter dt.10.08.2022. A detailed proposal after inclusion of Non-Faculty Positions will be sent in due course.
Decision	The Board noted the same
37.09	Minutes of 15th Senate meeting of SPAV held on 20.03.2023.
Action Taken	No action required

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Decision	The Board noted the same
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ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

38.01	<p>a) Filling of Vacant Faculty Positions under Mission Mode b) Issuing advertisement for the remaining vacant Faculty Positions.</p>									
Discussion	<p>It was informed in the meeting by the MoE Officials that the Reservation Roster of Faculty of SPAV needs to be examined by them, in conformity with GoI Rules, in the first week of Nov.2023. The representative from SPAV needs to be present at MoE, Delhi for verification of roster of Faculty as per the date intimated by the Under Secretary, MoE. Till the verification of Roster, the recommendations of the Selection Committee are to be kept in the sealed envelope only. It was informed in the meeting by the MoE Officials that the Reservation Roster of Faculty of SPAV needs to be examined by them, in conformity with GoI Rules, during discussion it was brought to the notice, the issue of Roster is been pending at Ministry Level since long and this agenda has been deferred in past two Meetings scheduled on 07.07.2023 and 17.07.2023 already. The detailed presentation and records as desired have been made already available, in PPT format by Shri V. K. Paul, Honorable Board Member.</p> <p>If any personal visit of SPAV needs to be present at MoE for verification, can be done as per date intimated by Ministry and requested to give some date in the first week of November 2023.</p>									
Decision	<p>The Board resolved to depute the representative from SPAV to get the roster of faculty verified by the MoE. Based on the decision of the MoE, with regard to roster the recommendations of the Selection Committee will be approved by Chairman of the Board for issuing Offer of Appointment to the selected candidates by the Director, SPAV.</p>									
38.02	<p>Nomination of SC/ST Representative and OBC Representative to the Selection Committee for Academic Staff.</p>									
Decision	<p>As per Cl.22(A)&(4) the following are nominated by the Board to the Selection Committee for Recruitment of Academic Staff:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 5%;">i.</td> <td style="width: 40%;">Planning</td> <td style="width: 55%;">: Dr.B.N.Tripathi, Retd. Addl. Director, Town Planning</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Architecture</td> <td>: Dr.Yogesh K Garg, MANIT, Bhopal</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ii.</td> <td>Both</td> <td>: Prof.Dr.Virendra Kumar Paul, SPA Delhi</td> </tr> </table> <p>Further the Board directed to write to the MoE, to propose the Visitor Nominee to the Selection Committee as the existing nominee has completed 5years.</p> <p>Dr.B.Nancharaiah, Professor and Head, Dept of CEC Usha Rama Engineering College and Technology, Telaprolu, AP to continue as SC/ST Nominee.</p> <p>Prof.Dr.Abdul Razak Mohamed, Retd. Professor, SPAV /Dr.B.Uma Shankar, Associate Professor, DoA, SPAV(Stand by) nominated as OBC Nominees.</p>	i.	Planning	: Dr.B.N.Tripathi, Retd. Addl. Director, Town Planning		Architecture	: Dr.Yogesh K Garg, MANIT, Bhopal	ii.	Both	: Prof.Dr.Virendra Kumar Paul, SPA Delhi
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ii.	Both	: Prof.Dr.Virendra Kumar Paul, SPA Delhi								

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38.03 **Nomination of Selection Committee for Technical Posts and Senior Administrative Posts.**

Decision As per Cl.22(B)&(4) the following are nominated by the Board to the Selection Committee for Recruitment of Technical Posts:

Director	Prof.Dr.Ramesh Srikonda, Chairman (in Position)
Nominee of AICTE	Prof.Dr.Devadas, Professor, IIT, Rourkela (in Position)
One Expert from outside the School	Prof. Dr.H.M.Mishra, Retd. HUDCO Chair
Concerned Head of Dept.	HoD Arch/Plan(In position)
Registrar	Sh.K.V.Uma Maheswara Rao (in Position)
SC/ST Representative	Dr.B.Nancharaiah, Professor and Head, Dept of CEC Usha Rama Engineering College and Technology, Telaprolu, AP.
OBC Representative	Prof.Dr.Abdul Razak Mohamed, Retd. Professor, SPAV/ Dr.B.Uma Sankar, Associate Professor, Dept of Architecture, SPAV

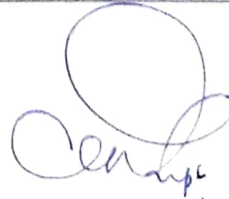
As per Cl.22(C)&(4) the following are nominated by the Board to the Selection Committee for Recruitment of Sr. Administrative Posts:

Director	Prof.Dr.Ramesh Srikonda, Chairman (in Position)
Nominee of MoE	Ms.Saumya Gupta, IAS, Joint Secretary, MoE (in position)
One Expert from outside the School	Sh.D.Govinda Rao, Financial Advisor, AIIMS Mangalagiri, AP
Nominee of the Board	Dr.Pradeep Kapoor, ITPI, Delhi
Registrar	Sh.K.V.UmaMaheswara Rao (in Position)
SC/ST Representative	Dr.B.Nancharaiah, Professor and Head, Dept of CEC Usha Rama Engineering College and Technology, Telaprolu, AP.
OBC Representative	Prof.Dr.Abdul Razak Mohamed, Retd. Professor, SPAV/ Dr.B.Uma Sankar, Associate Professor, Dept of Architecture, SPAV

As per Cl.22(4) the SC/ST/OBC representatives are nominated by the Board to the Selection Committee for Recruitment of Administrative and other Ministerial Staff other than Gr.(A) Posts:

Director	Prof.Dr.Ramesh Srikonda, Chairman (in Position)
Nominee of MoE	Ms.Veena Dunga, Dy. Secretary, MoE (in Position)
Registrar	Sh.K.V.Uma Maheswara Rao(in Position)

	One Expert from outside the School	Sh.M.V.Ramana, Assistant Registrar, IIT Tirupati. AP
	SC/ST Representative	Dr.B.Nancharaiah, Professor and Head, Dept of CEC Usha Rama Engineering College and Technology, Telaprolu, AP.
	OBC Representative	Prof.Dr.Abdul Razak Mohamed, Retd.Professor,SPAV/ Dr.B.Uma Sankar,Associate Professor, Dept of Architecture, SPAV
38.04	Minutes of 22nd Finance Committee Meeting held on 31.03.2023.	
Decision	The Board approved the minutes of 22 nd Finance Committee of SPAV	
38.05	Approval of the recommendation of the Minutes of 16th Meeting of the Senate of SPAV, which has recommended:	
	<p>a) Proposal to initiate regular Two Year Full-time Postgraduate Program titled 'Master of Design (M. Des)' at SPA Vijayawada</p> <p>b) Conduct of Convocation 2023 for the batches who completed their studies in A.Y. 2022-2023.</p>	
Discussion	<p>a) The MoE Officials observed that for initiation of new PG Course, infrastructure, staff and accommodation for the students are required. Also, as the SPAV is under Project Mode, not to run the academic programs beyond the cabinet approved list. It was informed by the Director that the PG course is going to be initiated on Self Financing Scheme and will not have a bearing on Grant and the course will be proposed to be initiated from next Academic Year i.e. July 2024. The MoE officials suggested to get the fee structure approved by the F.C. before placing it in the BoG for approval.</p> <p>b) The proposal to hold the 7th Convocation in the month of Nov.2023 was discussed. It was decided in the meeting to select the name of an eminent person by the Director to be the Chief Guest for the Convocation, get his consent and finalize the date. The Convocation to be held not later than Jan 2024.</p>	
Decision	<p>(a) After detailed deliberations the Board resolved to take-up the matter to FC for fee structure and other expenditure in this regard for its recommendation.</p> <p>(b) The Board approved the recommendations of the Senate to conduct the 7th Convocation to the batches of students, completed their courses in the year 2023-24 in the month of Dec 2023/Jan 2024.</p>	




ITEMS FOR RATIFICATION

38.06	Relieving of Prof.M.Kailasa Rao, Professor, Dept. of Architecture on deputation to report as Director at SPA, Bhopal.
Decision	The Board ratified the same
38.07	Technical Resignation of Sh.M.V.Ramana, Multi Skill Assistant
Decision	The Board ratified the same.
38.08	Extension of tenure of engagement of Internal Auditor
Decision	The Board ratified the extension of tenure of engagement of Internal Auditor up to 18.12.2023.
38.09	Extension of tenure of engagement of the Visiting Doctors
Decision	The Board ratified the extension of tenure of engagement of Visiting Doctors as follows: Dr.Kalyani Anantha up to 31.11.2023 Dr.Mazbur Rehaman up to 06.11.2023 Dr.Ch.Vamsee Krishna up to 31.01.2024
38.10	Nomination of Board Members amongst the Senate Members
Decision	The Board ratified the same.
38.11	Nomination of Dean (Faculty Welfare)
Decision	The Board ratified the same.
38.12	Nomination of Head of the Dept (Architecture and Planning)
Decision	The Board ratified the nomination of HoDs as follows: Dr.B.Uma Shankar as HoD Architecture for a period of two years from 18.04.2023 to 17.04.2025. Dr.Adinarayanane as HoD Planning for a period of six months from 18.04.2023 to 17.10.2023.
38.13	Submission of Annual Accounts for the Financial Year 2022- 23 to C&AG for Audit.
Decision	The Board ratified the same.

ITEMS FOR REPORTING

38.14	Implementation of NEP 2020 at SPA Vijayawada
Decision	The Board noted the same, Chairperson of the Board suggested that further going for implementation level, the policy document may be shared to SPA Delhi and Bhopal also for inputs. If required a small meeting / workshop also can be arranged.

ANY OTHER ITEMS WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

38.15	Counting of past service of Prof.S.Ramesh and applicability of Old Pension Scheme.
Discussion	The MoE vide letter dt.22.09.2023 forwarded the communication received from Dy. Controller of Accounts, MCD, New Delhi dt.05.09.2023 with regard to settlement of Pensionary and other benefits of Dr. S. Ramesh, the then





	<p>Chief Architect for the services rendered in MCD and directed to take further necessary action as per rules.</p> <p>Prof. Dr. Srikonda Ramesh`s matter related to pension benefits presented by Prof. Dr. V K Paul, Member of BoG, the then Chairperson for earlier BoGs, in detail covering his joining through proper channel, his relieving orders from MCD showing to protection of pay, carry forward of the leave account and counting of past service for pensionary benefits, etc., Further MCD has communicated the applicability of OPS after taking the direction from DoP&PW, which is mentioned below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Since SPA is under the jurisdiction of Ministry of Education where CCS (pension) Rule, 1972 is followed for the employee appointed before 01.01.2004. Accordingly SPA Vijayawada should also be covered under CCS (pension) Rule. As per DOP & PW clarification, the counting of past services would be available in case new organization is covered under CCS (pension) Rule. Accordingly SPA Vijayawada is covered under CCS (Pension Rule) and is requested to reconsider the Board of Director`s decision to grant pension to Sh. S. Ramesh. 2. Sh. S. Ramesh has joined new organization i.e. SPA Vijayawada after technical resignation from MCD which in turn means counting of benefits of previous organization. In these circumstances, the new organization i.e. SPA Vijayawada should not had allowed him to opt for NPS. The incumbent shall only be governed under CCS Pension rule. <p>Thereafter, deliberated that the representation of Prof. Dr.S.Ramesh sent to Ministry (MoE) through Proper channel indicating the following para 5 of the DoP&PW`s OM dated 11.06.2020 and requested the applicability of OPS.</p> <p>"those employees who joined Central Government / Central Autonomous body under NPS during 1.1.2004 to 28.10.2009 after submitting technical resignation from Central Govt. / Central Autonomous Body or a State Government / State Autonomous Body and who fulfill the conditions for counting of past service in terms of this Department`s O.M. dated 28.10.2009, may be given an option for induction in old pension scheme and to get their past service rendered in the Central / State Government or Central / State Autonomous Body counted for the purpose of pensionary benefits on their final retirement from the Central Government / Central Autonomous Body."</p>
Decision	<p>After detailed deliberations, the Board recommended the case of Prof.Dr.S.Ramesh under Old Pension Scheme (OPS) as proposed by MCD referring DoP&PW clarification and send the recommendation of the Board to the MoE for Approval.</p>

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

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