



Office of the Governing Body

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Minutes of meeting of the Governing Body

A meeting of the Governing Body was held on 21.10.21 in the office of the Hon'ble Chancellor at 1:30PM and all the members of the Governing Body, as follows attended it.

1. Mrs. Stuti Kacker, Hon'ble Chancellor (Chairperson),
2. Dr. Heero Hito, President of the Trust,
3. Dr. Shalya Raj, CEO of the University,
4. Dr. A.K. Asthana, Member,
5. Dr. Rohit Ravinder, Member,
6. Dr. Akanksha Singh, Member,
7. Dr. Krishna Murty, Secretary

1. **Agenda of the meeting:** All the members were informed about the agenda through mail and WhatsApp from before. These were as follows: (i)

Appointment of a new Vice Chancellor,

- (ii) Nominations for Executive Council,
- (iii) Election of Secretary of Governing Body,
- (iv) Any other agenda with the permission of the chair.

2. Minutes of the meeting

- (i) All the members were welcomed.

(ii) Agenda 1: appointment of the new Vice Chancellor

A. The relevant articles/ clauses of the University Act and Statutes were read aloud by Dr Krishna Murty.

B. The following relevant points were considered in this reference -

- a. Dr. (Brig.) V.P. Singh was appointed as Vice Chancellor of Swami Vivekanand Subharti University vide letter no. SVSU/2020/2350 dated 16-11-2020. Dr. (Brig.) V.P. Singh superannuated on 31.07.2021. The Hon'ble Chancellor was pleased to extend his term for 06 months or till a new V.C. is appointed.

This was notified vide letter no. No.SVSU/2021/1261 Date: 26-07-2021.

b. Procedure for Appointment of Vice-Chancellor in the Act:

The new Act has not elaborated the procedure of appointment of the Vice Chancellor. The relevant section of the Act is reproduced herein below for the ready reference:

"17. The Vice-Chancellor. -

(1) The Vice-Chancellor shall be appointed by the Chancellor/ President with prior approval of the Governing Body,

Provided that a Vice-Chancellor shall be eligible for reappointment after the expiry his/ her term.

(2) The Vice-Chancellor shall hold office for a period of five years or until he/she attains the age of seventy years whichever is earlier."

c. Procedure for Appointment of Vice-Chancellor in the Statutes:

The procedure of the appointment of the Vice chancellor is also not given in the amended Statutes. Only eligibility criteria is given. Therefore as per the statutes it would be up to the Chancellor and the Governing body to decide the appointment of a new Vice-Chancellor as per its own wisdom. The relevant clause of the Statutes is reproduced herein below for the ready reference:

"5(C). The Vice-Chancellor:

(1) The following shall be the eligibility criteria for appointment as Vice-Chancellor:

- 1. He/She should be physically and mentally fit to shoulder the responsibility;*
- 2. He/She should have special qualifications and a distinguished record of service/work or achievements in the field of science / education / administration / judiciary / medicine etc."*

d. Events in 2021:

- i. Though, the Statutes have left it open for the Governing Body to appoint the Vice-Chancellor without adopting the selection process through a search a committee, it was thought better that a proper selection procedure was followed.*

- ii. In view of the above advice of the Pro-Chancellor was sought verbally, who suggested that a proper interaction could be made with the candidates who were available for consideration and thereafter the names may be referred to the Governing Body for consideration.
 - iii. According to the advice of the Pro-Chancellor a chart of all the persons of whom the resumes were available in the Registrar office, was made and Out of the 10 resumes of whom the resumes were available in the registrar office was made and considered. There were four persons who were short listed, namely:
 - a. Dr. Ramanjeet Singh
 - b. Dr. Rajesh. S
 - c. Dr. Jay Shankar Singh
 - d. Dr. R.A.Gupta
 - iv. They were intimated by email and whatsapp and were told that an interaction either in person or digitally (as per their choice) will be done on 9.10.21 with a special committee which was formed under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Justice (Retd.) Rajesh Chandra
 - v. A special committee was constituted under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Justice (Retd.) Rajesh Chandra having other members as the Vice-Chancellor and the Pro-Chancellor nominated by the CEO
 - vi. An online/in-person interaction was planned for 09.10.2021. Dr. Ramanjeet Singh assured to come for the interaction. Whereas Dr. Rajesh and Dr. Jay Shankar Singh preferred interacting online.
 - vii. The relevant portions of the interactions with the selected members are as follows. The selection committee made the following observations on 09.10.21 regarding the 4 shortlisted candidates:
 - 1. Dr. Ramanjeet Singh:** despite prior intimation no interaction with him could be held. Several phone calls were made to his mobile number but to no effect. He also did not contact the university.
 - 2. Dr. Rajesh:** online interaction was held as planned. He was currently working as Pro Vice-Chancellor in Karnavati University, Gujarat. His command on English was good. He said that he had faced NAAC inspection in a University in 2015-16 as a member of the team of the KIIT Deemed University. Bhubaneshwar. The University got A+ rank. However, this was not as per the official data available from the website of the University that mentioned that the University got A rank for B.Tech courses and not A+ as he said.
- The committee did not find the candidate fit as his communication in Hindi was not up to the mark which implied that he will have issues while communicating with others. He had

little knowledge on research and grants. It was also clear that his knowledge about other aspects of the functioning of the university were suboptimal.

3. Dr. Jay Shankar Singh: the planned zoom meeting failed to connect. He was given an option for interacting on WhatsApp for which he was reluctant.

4. Dr. R.A.Gupta : could not be connected despite best of efforts either digitally or by phone despite the planned schedule.

viii. Considering that all the candidates were found to be ineligible it was resolved that the candidates selected last year by the selection committee may be reconsidered. They are as follows

1. Dr. VP Singh
2. Dr HS Singh
3. Dr Ashwani Sharma
4. Maj Gen Dr GK Thapliyal

ix. The summary of the interactions made with the candidates are as follows

- a. **Dr VP Singh:** was currently appointed as the Hon. Vice Chancellor of Subharti University already
- b. **Dr. H.S. Singh:** it was found that he has already joined IIMT University as Vice-Chancellor a few months back and was not available.
- c. **Dr. Ashwani Sharma:** He informed that he was not keeping well and was satisfied with his present post of Director of Mulayam Singh Medical College, Meerut and hence not available for the post.
- e. **Maj. General Dr. G.K. Thapliyal:** is working as Director in MTVBRCT and assigned the work at Ras Bihari Bose Subharti University. He was found eligible for the post by the selection committee. He agreed to accept the post if the same was offered.

Discussion:

- i. Dr. Heero Hito said that there was no alternative but to select that Dr. G.K. Thapliyal as the Vice-Chancellor.
- ii. Dr Krishna suggested that in case any member was not confident about the candidate then the offer may be modified to a period of 12 months following which extension could be offered.

f. Resolution:

After thorough discussions all the members in the meeting agreed that Maj. General GK Thapliyal could be

selected for the post of Vice Chancellor of Subharti University.

It was unanimously Resolved;

That Maj. Gen GK Thapaliyal to be appointed as the Vice Chancellor for a period of 5 years or up to the age 70 years whichever is earlier.

(iii) Agenda 2 : nominations for the members of executive council

A. The relevant portions of the acts were read out loud

"As per the U.P. Private University Act, the Vice-Chancellor shall be the Chairperson of the Executive Council which shall consist of the following other members, namely: -

- a. *Three members to be nominated by the Governing Body,*
- b. *Two eminent educationists nominated by the Chancellor /President,*
- c. *One officer of the State Government not below the rank of Joint Secretary to the Government of Uttar Pradesh,*
- d. *One Professor and one Associate Professor of the University in order of Seniority on rotation basis for a period of one year,*
 - i. *One educationist not below the rank of Associate Professor from a panel of three names to be approved by the State Government, for which the University shall submit a list of threenames of eminent educationists,*
 - ii. *The Registrar who shall be ex-officio Member Secretary,*
 - iii. *The Finance Officer shall have the right to speak in and otherwise to take part in the proceedings of the Executive Council but shall not be entitled to vote."*

B. Discussion:

a. Dr. Krishna Murty suggested the name of Dr RM Pandey, Prof and Head Of Department of Biostatistics, AIIMS, New Delhi.

Dr. Shalya said that as he is not from our University and he might not understand the situation. Dr Krishna said that as he is an experienced person such a situation might not arise. Dr. Rohit agreed to the notion and voted in favour of Dr RM Pandey. Other member sproposed to consider his name later if required. Thus consideration on his name was deferred..

b. Dr Heero Hito suggested the names of Dr. Shalya, CEO SVSU, Dr. Rohit, Professor Conservative Dentistry and Dr. Krishna, DMS, CSSH.

- i. Dr. Shalya supported the fact that internal members will understand the situation of the university better.
 - ii. For the name of Dr. Shalya, - everyone agreed unanimously.
 - iii. For the name of Dr. Rohit, - Dr. Rohit expressed his inability for the same due to his preoccupied schedule.
 - iv. For the name of Dr. Krishna - Dr. Krishna presented his inability for the same due to his many other responsibilities. However, all the members voted for him, thus he was nominated by a majority vote. Dr. Krishna requested that his dissent may also be mentioned in the minutes.
- c. Mrs. Stuti Kacker proposed the name of Dr. A.K. Asthana and it was unanimously agreed by all.

C. Resolution:

It was **Resolved;**

That Dr. Shalya, Dr. Krishna Murty and Dr. A.K. Asthana to be appointed as the nominee of the Governing Body in the Executive Council of the University.

(iv) **Agenda 3: selection of Secretary Governing Body**

- A. Dr. Krishna told that in the 1st meeting of Governing Body a non-statuary post of Secretary of The Governing Body was formed.
- B. Dr. Krishna was unanimously selected for this post for a period of 1 year and thus re-selection for this post is needed.
- C. Mrs. Stuti asked Dr. Krishna if he can continue on the post and he agreed. The matter was thoroughly discussed amongst the members.

Resolution-

It was unanimously **Resolved;**

That Dr. Krishna is appointed as Secretary of the Governing Body for another period of 1 year.

- (v) **Agenda Item no. 7: To approve the Faculty Sanctioned post for Academic Year 2021-22 and to ratify the appointment of faculty and staff since the last meeting of the Meeting of the Governing Body held on 21.07.2020.**

The Secretary briefed the members of the Governing Body with respect to the present strength of teaching and non-teaching staff of the University along with new appointments carried out by the University both in Teaching and Non-Teaching staff. Further, he also briefed members with respect to the Teaching and Non-Teaching staff who have left the University since last meeting of Governing Body.

Resolution-

The Governing Body approved the Faculty Sanctioned Posts Academic Year 2021-22 (Appendix-A) and the new appointment of Teaching and Non-Teaching staff as put up in the agenda item was unanimously ratified by the Governing Body.

- (vi) **Agenda4: Any agenda with the permission of the chair**

There being no other business the meeting was ended with a vote of thanks to the chair and all the members.



(Dr.) Krishna Murty
Secretary, Governing Body