

SREE VIDYANIKETHAN ENGINEERING COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)

Sree Sainath Nagar, Tirupati – 517 102, A.P.

25th Meeting of the Governing Body held on 14th August 2020 (Online) (An Autonomous College with effect from 2010-2011)

MINUTES

Members Present:

1.	Dr. M. Mohan Babu, Chairman, Sree Vidyanikethan Educational Trust	Chairman
2.	Sri M. Vishnu Vardhan Babu, Chief Executive Officer, Sree Vidyanikethan Educational Trust	Member
3.	Sri M. Krishna, Member, Sree Vidyanikethan Educational Trust	Member
4.	Sri P. Janardhan Reddy, Member, Sree Vidyanikethan Educational Trust	Member
5.	Dr. P. V. Ramana Professor & Head, ECE Dept.	Member
6.	Dr. K. Ramani Professor & Head, IT Dept.	Member
7.	Dr. K.I. Vara Prasad Reddy, Founder & Chairman, Shantha Biotechnics Ltd., Hyderabad	Member
8.	Prof. H. Devaraj Professor (Biochemistry), Dept. of Zoology, University of Madras, Maraimalai Campus, Chennai	Member
9.	Prof. G.V. Siva Krishna Rao Professor & Head, Dept. of Electrical Engineering, Andhra University	Member
10.	Prof. H. Sudarsana Rao Former Director, IIIT-RK Valley, Rajiv Gandhi University of Knowledge Technologies –AP, Vempalli, Kadapa and Professor of Civil Engineering, JNTUA	Member
11.	Dr. P.C. Krishnamachary, Principal, Sree Vidyanikethan Engineering College	Member Secretary

The Honorable Chairman, Governing Body Dr. M. Mohan Babu welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

1.0 Action Taken Report on Minutes of 24th Governing Body Meeting held on 22nd February, 2020.

Principal apprised the members that the 24th meeting of the Governing Body was held on 22-02-2020. In accordance with the resolutions made, meetings of the following bodies were held:

- ✓ Boards of Studies
- ✓ Academic Council
- ✓ Finance Committee, and
- ✓ Other Committees

Members resolved that the Action Taken Report is to be recorded.

2.0 Report of the Principal for the academic year 2019-2020

2.0 to 2.6

Members appreciated the Management and the Principal on:

- Student admissions made for almost all the sanctioned intake in Diploma, B.Tech, M.Tech and MCA courses for the Academic year 2019-20.
- 69 students of under EWS quota, 50 foreign students and 3 students through PMSSS were admitted into B.Tech. under supernumerary seats for PIO for the Academic year 2019-20.
- Achieving excellent results for the Academic year 2018-19.
- The members congratulated on the efforts of the Students for their academic excellence.

Members congratulated the efforts taken to conduct/organize various student activities – curricular, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. Members noted that International Relations (IR) undertakes the responsibility of visiting various premiere institutions to understand best practices in student recruitment. Activities conducted under Technical Associations, Chapters of Professional Bodies, Participating member of EPICS programme organized by Purdue University, USA, Industry-Institute-Interaction cell and Art and Literary club were complimented. Utilisation of SIEMENS t-SDI laboratories, outreach activities under NSS and achievements in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities, & organizing special events for the benefit of students and faculty were commended.

The members suggested that the same efforts may be continued.

2.7 Student Support

Members expressed their satisfaction on the financial support and assistance extended to the students through:

- Sree Vidyanikethan Educational Trust to poor and deserving students
- Full time Ph.D Scholars
- Arranging for Tuition Fee reimbursement from Welfare Departments of the Government

The members advised the Management to make a representation to the State Government to apprise the situation and follow-up regularly.

Members appreciated the efforts of the College Management and the Principal in implementing Student Placement and Training Programmes. The efforts made by the Management to enhance reasoning skills, problem solving skills, programming skills and other skills required for placements through lectures, workshops, training and coding contests were commended. The members advised that the same approach may be adopted to enhance employability skills to improve students' placements.

2.8 Faculty Support

Members resolved that the existing practices of encouragement/support / incentives / promotions to the members of faculty may be continued for:

- Publication of Research Papers in Journals
- Publication of Books
- Research Funding
- Research Projects
- Qualification Upgradation
- Higher Pass Percentage in the course taught
- Best Research Paper Award with cash incentive
- Organizing/Attending Faculty Development Programs/Seminars/Workshops/Refresher Courses

3.0 Research

The members expressed their satisfaction with the research culture in the College. The guidance provided by the eminent experts as Advisor-Research was acclaimed.

The members expressed their contentment for

- Establishing Advanced Research Centres; and liaising with SRM Institute of Science and Technology (Deemed to be University) & KL Education Foundation (Deemed to be University) in seeking recognition for Research Centres and guideships for teachers respectively.
- Encouraging faculty members to attend training programs at other Institutions.
- Efforts in seeking Research funding from UGC, DST-FIST, ISRO-RESPOND, AICTE and other Funding Agencies.

Activities/events of the Research Centres/Clusters/Collaborations/Committees were noted and appreciated by the members.

4.0 Library

The members complimented the Management on providing the state-of-the-art facilities in the Central Library and creating congenial ambience suitable for learning and research. They also noted the facilities and resources available in the library for the students, teaching fraternity and research scholars.

5.0 Ratifications:

The members ratified the following:

5.1 Recommendations of the Academic Council

The Governing Body ratified the following recommendations of the Academic Council meeting held on 28th July, 2020:

- Members approved the conduction of Project Work Viva-voce Examinations for B.Tech, M.Tech and MCA through online mode for the terminal semester students.
- Members approved the Syllabi for Seven Open Elective Courses and One Mandatory course for all B.Tech. Programs under SVEC19 Regulations.
- Members approved the guidelines (in view of COVID-19 crisis) for conducting Mid-Term and Semester-End examinations for B.Tech, M.Tech and MCA programs for the Academic year 2019-20 and promotion of students for the next Academic year 2020-21, framed in accordance with the JNTUA, Ananthapuramu.
- Members approved the Course Structure of II, III and IV Year B. Tech. of all Programs (SVEC-19) and Syllabi for II Year (I & II Semesters) B.Tech (SVEC19).

- Members approved the Syllabi for II Year (III & IV Semesters) MCA Program (SVEC-19).
- Members approved the Academic Regulations and Course structure for the TWO-YEAR MCA program Under (SVEC20).
- Members approved the Syllabi for the I-Year (I& II semesters) of TWO-YEAR MCA program (SVEC-20).

Academic Calendars

The Members approved the preparation of the Academic Calendars for II, III and IV Year B.Tech., II Year M.Tech, and II & III Year MCA for the academic year 2020-2021, following the guidelines of UGC / AICTE/ JNTUA, Anathapuramu.

Members also authorized the Chairman, Academic Council to approve and implement the academic calendars for I B.Tech, I M.Tech. and I MCA Programs and as and when they are finalized after completion of the admission process by the State Government, for the academic year 2020-21.

Amendments to SVEC-19 B.Tech, M.Tech and MCA Academic Regulations:

The Members approved Amendments to SVEC-19 B.Tech, M.Tech and MCA Academic Regulations.

.5.2 Recommendations of Finance Committee

The members of Governing Body approved the following recommendations:

- i) Sanctioning of incentive to the best paper publication for the faculty members from the year 2019-20.
- ii) Sanctioning of best project award of Rs.15,000/- for each Department for students project.
- iii) The provisional Budget for the year 2020-21 is approved; the final Budget may vary due to the delay in determination of fee AP Higher Education Regulatory and Monitoring Commission (APHERMC) for the year 2020-21.
- iv) Consequent to the AICTE amendment in Faculty Student Ratio for the academic year 2020-21, the HR Department is advised to collect requirement of faculty from the Departments and prepare the vacancy positions in accordance with the guidelines of AICTE and necessary permission may be obtained from the Governing Body for recruitment.

- v) GO Ms No.: 12 & 13, Dated: 04.03.2020, (guidelines issued by the Govt. of Andhra Pradesh for determination of fee) were tabled before the Governing Body for information.

5.3 Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

The members approved:

- (i) AQAR for 2018-2019
- (ii) Quality Practices initiated by IQAC
- (iii) Internal Quality Assurance System Proposal of SVEC

5.4 Appointments and Reliefs

The members ratified:

- (i) Appointment of the Vice-Principal/Deans/Heads of Department.
- (ii) Appointment of faculty members and non-teaching staff.

6.0 Proposals

- The members noted that approvals were accorded by AICTE, New Delhi, for the academic year 2020-21 for Extension of Approval for the Existing Programmes (including 2nd Shift Polytechnic); Introduction of 3 new courses in B.Tech; Reduction in intake, Closure of 4 M.Tech courses and introduction/continuation of supernumerary seats for PIO for M.Tech/B.Tech respectively.
- The members appreciated the faculty for submitting MODROBS/RPS/STTP/ GOC/PRERANA proposals under AICTE Quality Improvement Schemes (AQIS).
- The members complimented Annual Operating Plan for 2020-21 prepared to ensure the continuous progress in academic practices.
- The members noted Intellectual Property Rights Cell constituted at SVEC to promote and protect intellectual property of SVEC.
- The members commended Faculty & Staff Training programs initiated in SVEC to refine and refresh the members of faculty and staff at various skills.

7.0 Achievements

- The Members congratulated the College on being accredited by NBA for 7 UG programs for a period of 3 years (2020-23).
- The College attaining the highest category - 'Platinum Status' in AICTE-CII Survey for best industry linked technical institutes in India was commended by the members.
- The Members commended the College on securing 184th Rank in National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF), 2020 conducted throughout India.
- The members congratulated the College on achieving Rank 60 by "Education World Magazine" among top 100 Private Engineering Institutes; and rated "AAA+" by "Careers 360", a popular English Magazine.
- The Members appreciated the College on securing 11 Prathibha Awards (Student merit awards).
- The Members noted the College's MOUs with 9 industry/Organization/Academia/Foreign Universities.
- The Members complimented as the College has been identified as Best Chapter of ISTE Andhra Pradesh Section Award based on the diversified activities organized for the year 2018.
- The Members congratulated 216 students from 2021 Batch who are certified by Infosys in Python through INFYTQ Certification Examination. Further, they felt happy that about 31 students from 2021 batch cleared HackwithInfy coding contest conducted by Infosys.
- The members expressed pleasure as the College is the only Institution from India which is shortlisted to participate in NAE USA Grand Challenges Scholars Program.
- The members admired students of II B.Tech of IT for developing a Web Application for Ministry of Women and Child Development, Govt. of India and won a prize money of ONE LAKH rupees in the World's Biggest Coding Platform "Smart India Hackathon 2020" held during August 1-3, 2020, jointly organized by MHRD and AICTE.

8.0 Statutory Bodies / Committees

Members noted and appreciated the functioning of Bodies/Committees to ensure effective management of administrative, academic, and financial affairs of the College.

9.0 Suggestions from Hon'ble members

The Hon'ble Members of the Governing Body made the following important suggestions:

- Adopt emerging education tools and technologies for bracing the new revolution of online education
- Study the impact of the FDPs/Workshops/Seminars and prepare a report
- Members of faculty must be encouraged for sending proposals for external funding under various schemes of central funding agencies
- Promote registration of IPR and commercialization of technologies

The members appreciated the progress made by the Institution and placed on record the proactive measures implemented by the Management for the welfare of the employees and students.

The Hon'ble members resolved to authorize the Chairman, Academic Council and Principal, Sree Vidyanikethan Engineering College to effect necessary changes/modifications in the Academic Regulations / Syllabi / Evaluation procedures and Results wherever deemed necessary and report the same to the Governing Body at its immediate next meeting for ratification.

The 25th Meeting of the Governing Body concluded by conveying thanks to the Members.


(Dr. P. C. KRISHNAMACHARY)
Principal & Member Secretary