UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

The minutes of the 16th meeting of the Executive Council held on 03/02/2014 at 11 a.m. in the Meeting Room of the Vice-Chancellor, University of North Bengal

The following members were present:

- 1. Prof Samir Kumar Das, Vice Chancellor, University of North Bengal. In the Chair
- 2. Prof. Amitabha Mukhopadhyay, Dean, Faculty Council for PG Studies in Science, University of North Bengal
- 3. Prof. Palas R. Sengupta, Dean, Faculty Council for PG Studies in Arts, Commerce & Law, University of North Bengal
- 4. Prof. Indrajit Ray, Vice-Chancellor, Panchanan Barma University, Cooch Behar & member Executive Council, University of North Bengal
- 5. Principal, A.C. Training College, Jalpaiguri
- 6. Principal, Darjeeling Government College, Darjeeling.
- 7. Dr. Shanti Chettri, Principal, P. D. Women's College, Jalpaiguri.
- 8. Dr. Debkumar Mukherjee, Principal, Mayanaguri College, Jalpaiguri
- 9. Dr. Abdul Kader Safily, Principal, Sahid Khudiram College, Kamakhyaguri, Jalpaiguri
- 10. Dr. Anirban Misra, Head, Department of Chemistry, University of North Bengal
- 11. Dr. Subhas Chandra Roy, Head, Department of Botany, University of North Bengal
- 12. Prof. S. N. Dhar, Head, Department of Commerce, NBU

At the outset, the members of the Executive Council gratefully acknowledges the services rendered by Professor Samir Kumar Das as Vice-chancellor, North Bengal University

(1) To confirm the minutes of the 15th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 20/12/2013

Decision: The minutes of the 15th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 20/12/2013 at 11.00 a.m. be approved with some modifications and incorporations of decisions as follows:

- (a) The name of Professor Palas Ranjan Sengupta, Dean, Faculty Council for Post Graduate Studies in Arts, Commerce & Law, NBU be deleted from the list of members present.
- (b) The name of Dr. Shanti Chettri, Principal, P. D. Women's college, Jalpaiguri be included in the list of Members present.
- (c) In Item No. 41(b) the name of Dr. Nitai Saha, Munsi Premchand College, Siliguri be deleted and in his place the name of Smt. Jinia Mitra of Naxalbari College be inserted.

Note: Confirmed with immediate effect by the Chair

Registrar (Offg) be requested to take necessary action forthwith.

(2) To consider the election schedule for the Students' Union election of the P.G. Departments of the University of North Bengal as proposed by the Election Committee.

Decision: Noted and approved subject to the finalization of dates by the Commissioner of Police, Siliguri.

Note: Confirmed with immediate effect by the Chair.

Registrar (Offg) be requested to take necessary action forthwith.

- (3) Any Other matter Placed by the Chair.
- (a) To consider a letter of the Secretary, NBU Employees' Association requesting to reconsider the decision taken in the Executive Council Meeting under Item No. 113(viii) dated 28/07/2013 and 21/08/2013 regarding appointment under DIH category.

Decision: The earlier decision of the Executive Council Meeting under Item No. 113(viii) dated 28/07/2013 and 21/08/2013 regarding appointment under DIH category was reconsidered and it was resolved that a Committee be constituted to look into the Rules for appointment under DIH category consisting of the following members:

(i) Dean, Faculty Council for Post Graduate Studies in Science, NBU - Chairman

(ii) Registrar (Officiating), NBU - Convener

(iii) Audit & Accounts Officer, NBU - Member

Note: Confirmed with immediate effect by the Chair.

Registrar (Offg) be requested to take necessary action forthwith.

(b) To consider the proceedings of the meeting of the Monitoring Committee of the Hostels held on 22/01/2014

Decision: Resolved that a Committee be constituted with the following members to examine the recommendations of the Hostel Monitoring Committee and make necessary suggestions.

- (i) Dean, Faculty Council for Post Graduate Studies in Arts, Commerce & Law, NBU Chairman
- (ii) Dean, Faculty Council for Post Graduate Studies in Science, NBU
- (iii) Professor J. C. Basak, Department of Philosophy, NBU
- (iv) Finance Officer, NBU Convener
- (v) Deputy Registrar, NBU

Note: Confirmed with immediate effect by the Chair.

Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action forthwith.

(c) To consider a note of the Secretary to the Vice-chancellor bearing No. 270/VC/14/92 dated 27/01/2014 addressed to the Vice-chancellor, NBU

Decision: It was unanimously resolved that -

- (i) The Vice-chancellor is the Head of the Office of the Vice-chancellor among other things (EC reiterates its earlier decision to this effect) and there is no such thing as the Office of the Secretary to the Vice-chancellor.
- (ii) There were no bypassing of office procedure, disregard of the established convention and norms of hierarchy or official decorum as alleged.

- (iii) Vice-chancellor is not required to report to the Secretary to the Vice-chancellor his schedule and outside tour programme.
- (iv) These allegations are absolutely baseless and lack facticity.
- (v) The contents of the letter amount to insubordination to the Hon'ble Vice-chancellor.
- (vi) A Show Cause Notice be issued immediately to the Secretary to the Vice-chancellor which should be responded to by the Secretary within 07 days from the receipt of the letter.
- (vii) The response be referred to the next meeting of the Executive Council.

Note: Confirmed with immediate effect by the Chair.

Registrar (Offg) be requested to take necessary action forthwith.

(d) To consider the minutes of the meeting of the Committee constituted by the Hon'ble Vicechancellor to resolve on the issue of delay in the construction of the Food Technology and Pharmaceutical Technology Buildings held on 24/01/2014.

Decision: Noted and approved.

Note: Confirmed with immediate effect by the Chair.

Registrar (Offg) be requested to take necessary action forthwith.

(e) To consider the extension of Dr. Sushma Rohatagi as Director of Centre for Women's Studies, NBU

Decision: Resolved that the term of Dr. Sushma Rohatagi be extended for another period of two years.

Note: Confirmed with immediate effect by the Chair.

Registrar (Offg) be requested to take necessary action forthwith.

(f) To consider the problems of Governing Body of Siliguri College of Commerce, Siliguri

Decision: It was resolved that in continuation of our earlier letter No. 53/R-2013 dated 03/01/2014 the Principal, Siliguri College of Commerce be requested to respond within seven days and the response be reported to the next meeting of the Executive Council.

Note: Confirmed with immediate effect by the Chair.

Registrar (Offg) be requested to take necessary action forthwith.

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(g) To consider the minutes of the 76^{th} and 77^{th} Meeting of the Purchase Committee held on 18/12/2013 and 29/11/2014 respectively.

Decision: Resolved that the Minutes be approved.

Note: Confirmed with immediate effect by the Chair.

Finance Officer be requested to take necessary action forthwith.

(h) To reconsider the constitution of Inquiry Committee against Dr. Debasis Dutta, Deputy Controller of Examinations in view of the earlier decision taken by the Executive Council.

Decision: In view of inability of Mr. S. K. Ghosh, Joint Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, Higher Education Department it was resolved that Mr. Gurupada Roy, Former District and Session Judge residing at Siliguri be appointed to inquire into the alleged financial irregularities.

Note: Confirmed with immediate effect by the Chair.

Registrar (Offg) be requested to take necessary action forthwith.

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

(Professor B. P. Dwivedi)

Secretary

(Professor S. K. Das)

Chairman