



USHA MARTIN UNIVERSITY, RANCHI, JHARKHAND

Minutes of the Fourth Meeting of BOM held on 21.12.2018

The Fourth Meeting of the Board of Management of Usha Martin University was held on 21.12.18 at the University Campus. The following members were present:

1. Prof. S.C. Garg, Vice Chancellor, Chairman
2. Prof. L. N. Bhagat, Former Vice Chancellor, Ranchi University, Member
3. Prof. A. N. Jha, Director, BIT Extension Centre, Lalpur, Jharkhand, Member
4. Sh. R. D. Sahay, Former Joint Secretary, MHRD, New Delhi, Member
5. Prof. Madhulika Kaushik, PVC, UMU, Special Invitee
6. Dr. Viplaw K. Pandey, Registrar, UMU, Member Secretary

BM 4.1 Welcome and Information Sharing by the VC

At the outset, the Vice Chancellor extended a very warm and cordial welcome to all the members present on behalf of the University and on his own behalf. He expressed his gratefulness to all members for participating in the meeting and giving the benefit of their expertise. Thereafter, he shared various academic developments in the University since the last meeting.

- Three meetings of AC and a member of Board of Governors were held since the last meeting of the BOM. Moreover, the Hon'ble Governor of Jharkhand and Visitor of the University had nominated Prof. A. A. Khan, Former VC, Ranchi University and Prof. A. P. Padhi, Former VC, Sambalpur University as her nominees on BOG recently. Director, Higher and Technical Education, MHRD, Jharkhand would also be member of the BOG.

- The Chancellor visited the University on 3.12.18 and interacted with the faculty as well as the students. He was happy to learn that the strength of the University was its dynamic and highly qualified Faculty, who believed in quality and devoted themselves with full enthusiasm in academic as well as co-curricular activities.

- The outcomes of placement interviews conducted so far have been very encouraging; four of our MBA students had been selected as Branch managers in Spandan Sphoorty Financial Ltd (SSFL) for the Jharkhand zone with monthly salary of 30-40k. Another four students would like to join their own businesses. One student has been selected by the Federal bank with monthly salary of 60k. A few more companies are likely to visit University campus for placements in the month of January, 2019. The University has constituted Placement Committee comprising Academic Faculty, Training and Placement Officer. The Committee will function under the guidance of the Registrar, who has been nominated Chair of the meeting. The Committee is working towards achieving 100% placements of 4th Semester MBA students and internship of 2nd semester MBA students.

- In the last meeting of VCs of private universities with the Secretary, MHRD, Govt. of Jharkhand held on 10th August, 2018, the VC had informed that the University management had signed an agreement for 31.6 acre land in Narayan Soso. The process of getting the land registered in the name of the University has now been completed and the mutation process is in progress. The groundbreaking ceremony for construction of buildings has as of now been scheduled for 18th January so that 2019 session could start in the new campus. The University would like all the members of BOM to grace the occasion and they were requested by the VC to keep this day free for UMU. The University would communicate exact details shall be communicated in due course.

- VC informed new admission data for the session 2018-19 Academic Year which showed growth rate of about 40% with respect to the 2017-18 admissions.

- As far as diversification of the academic profile of the University is concerned, it is proposed to add few newer programme to the existing bouquet of programmes at undergraduate, post-graduate and PhD level. Admissions in programmes where approval of national statutory bodies was mandatory would be announced only after obtaining the requisite approvals.

- The research scholars who joined in the first cohort appeared in the end of semester examinations on 15th September, whereas classes of the second cohort for course work began

in August, 2018 and they are scheduled to appear in end semester examinations in Jan-Feb, 2019. The students of first cohort recently presented the progress of their work before a committee chaired by the VC/PVC. A research Scholar of Dr Vinay Singh has published his first research paper. On my own behalf and on behalf of the Board, the VC proposed to congratulate the Scholar as well as Dr Singh.

To ensure quality and monitor progress of work, the University has made submission of six monthly progress reports mandatory and the same has been duly impressed on all scholars. The University would soon constitute doctoral research committees for each student. Since two faculty members resigned in the beginning of this semester, their students are being reassigned to new teachers.

- Some teachers of the University have been approached by other HEIs in Ranchi to take classes as visiting faculty. The VC had accorded in principle approval, subject to approval by the AC and BOM. It is proposed to draft guidelines to enable the faculty to avail such assignments. These would be placed before the BOM in a subsequent meeting.

- Development of Learning Management System: The University is developing LMS system to promote ICT enabled education. A training programme for the faculty was conducted under the guidance of Prof. Madhulika Kaushik, PVC. The faculty would soon be empowered to upload their lectures on the MOODLE platform.

The Vice Chancellor then invited suggestions from the members to accelerate the development process.

BM 4.1.1 The members appreciated the growth of the University and particular mention was made to enhanced enrollments, purchase of land and steps being taken to construct its own campus buildings, developing technology supported learner support system to increase its visibility based on sound principles of governance and the initiatives towards vertical as well as horizontal diversification in programme offerings through need based programmes in contemporary context.

The Chairman then requested Prof. Viplaw K. Pandey, Member Secretary to present the agenda items one by one for the consideration of the Board.

BM 4.2 Confirmation of Minutes of the Third BOM meeting

BM 4.2.1 Prof. Pandey informed the Board that minutes of the third meeting of the BOM were circulated to all members and no comments were received within 15 days. A copy of these minutes is placed at Annexure 1. In summary, in its last meeting, the Board

1. Approved Action Taken on the Minutes of the 2nd meeting of BOM
2. Approved the appointment of teaching faculty and T& P.O
3. Noted the minutes of 4th meeting of Academic Council.
4. Noted the minutes of first meeting of Finance Committee

He then requested the Board to confirm the minutes.

BM 4.2.2 The item for confirmation of the minutes was taken up by the Board and the minutes were confirmed as circulated.

(Annexure:1)

BM 4.3 Action Taken on the minutes of 3rd Meeting of Board of Management

BM 4.3.1 The Board noted the action taken on its decisions and approved the compliance. The action taken is placed at Annexure 2.

(Annexure:2)

BM 4.4 To note the minutes of the 5th and 6th Academic Council Meetings

BM 4.4.1 The Registrar informed the members that the meetings of the fifth and sixth Academic Councils were held on 11.10. 2018 and 18.12.2018, respectively in the University Campus. The minutes of the fifth meeting were circulated to the members and were placed at Annexure 3. However, the minutes of the sixth meeting were being tabled. He informed the Board that the items were approved/noted by the Academic Council:

BM 4.4.2. The Board noted the minutes of 5th and 6th Academic Councils.

(Annexure:3)

BM 4.5 To consider and approve the Audited Financial Accounts of the University for the Financial Year 2017-18.

BM 4.5.1 The Board approved the Audited Financial Accounts of the University for the Financial Year 2017-18.

(Annexure:4)

BM 4.6: To consider and approve the sanctioned post of teachers for various Faculty / Departments of the University for the Academic Year 2019-20.

BM 4.6.1 The Board considered and approved sanctioned post of teachers for various Faculty / Departments of the University for the Academic Session 2019-20.

(Annexure 5)

BM 4.7 To approve the funds for Seed Money proposals submitted by the faculty members in the academic year 2018-19.

BM 4.7.1 On the recommendation of Research Advisory Committee, the members of BOM discussed and approved the funds for Seed money proposals submitted by Faculty members.

(Annexure:6)

BM 4.8 To consider and approve various Policies (related to Teaching & Learning, Research expansion & Infrastructure), Rules, Regulations and Ordinances of the University .

BM 4.8.1 The Board approved the various Policies, Rules, Regulations and Ordinances of the University.

(Annexure: 7)

BM 4.9 To report the various constituted/re-constituted committees and IQAC at the University.

BM 4.9.1 The Board noted the various constituted/re-constituted committees at the University.

BM 4.9.2 The Board confirmed the constitution of IQAC .

(Annexure: 8)

BM4.10 To report the appointments of Faculty /Staff during the session 2018-19

BM4.10.1 The Board received and noted the appointments of staff who joined for the session 2018-19

(Annexure 9)

BM 4.11 To consider & approve the list of holidays for the year 2019.

BM 4.11.1- The Board approved the list of holidays with some suggestions.

(Annexure 10)

BM 4.12 To consider and approve the proposal of establishment of Incubation centre.

BM 4.12.1 A proposal for establishment of incubation Centre was tabled for the approval of Board members. The Registrar informed that Incubation center would help in achieving the goals of fostering innovation, supporting entrepreneurship, and driving economic growth within our community.

BM4.12.2 The Board of members approved the same and instructed the Registrar to establish the proposed Incubation Centre which would serve as a hub for nurturing start-up ventures, providing them with the necessary resources, mentorship, and infrastructure to accelerate their growth and success

The meeting ended with Vote of Thanks to the Chair.



(Dr. Viplaw K. Pandey)

Registrar, UMU and Member Secretary, BOM
Usha Martin University

CC:

VC Office

PVC Office

Finance Office

All Dean/Director/HoDs

All Members

All Concerned