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MINUTES OF FIRST MEETING OF THE RECONSTITUTED INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL CORE COMMITTEE

Date: 21.09.2019 Time: 11.00 AM Venue: Board Room (II) New Academic Block

Members Present

1	Dr.B.V.Ravishankar	Principal & Chairperson
2	Dr. Ravishankar Deekshit	Vice-Principal
3	Mr.Suresh Moona	Local Society
4	Sri.Srinivasa Ramanujam	Industry Representative
5	Mr.B.Anantha Bhat	Industry Representative
6	Dr.Samita Maitra	Dean Academic
7	Sri.Muralikrishna	Director, BMSET
8	Dr.T.S.Pranesha	COE, BMSCE
9	Dr.N.Chowdappa	Chief Librarian, BMSCE
10	Dr.S.Pradeepa	_ Placement Officer
11	Dr.Chetan Nayak	Faculty, CH
12	Dr.S.Manoharan	Faculty, MBA
13	Dr.Ram Mohan Reddy	Faculty, MCA
14	Dr.M.Indiramma	Faculty, CS
15	Dr.B.R.Shambhavi	Faculty, IS
16	Dr.G.Madhu	Faculty, CHE
17	Sri.A.Nageshacharya	MCA
18		Student Representative
19	Dr.Mangala Keshava	Director, IQAC
Lea	ve of absence	
1	Mr.Gadadhara Reddy	Alumni Representative
2	Dr.Guruprasad H.S.	Dean, Student Affairs
3	Dr.Jayanthi S.	Dean, First Year-B.E

At the outset, the Principal, BMSCE extended a cordial welcome to the Members.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE IQAC CORE-COMMITTEE HELD ON 09.02.2019

The minutes of the previous meeting of the IQAC Core-Committee held on 09.02.2019 were confirmed.

2. A REPORT BY DIRECTOR, IQAC

The Director, IQAC extended a warm welcome to all the members of the re-constituted IQAC Core Committee. The Director, IQAC thanked the external members for making it convenient to attend the meeting inspite of their busy schedule. The services of all the outgoing members were acknowledged. The Director was appreciative of the guidance, support and meticulous work done by all the stakeholders in enabling the institution to get the top most grade and rating by NAAC in Cycle II Accreditation process. The Director informed that the guidance and support of the IQAC Core-Committee was invaluable



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The Director, IQAC also expressed regret for the inconvenience caused to the IQAC Core Committee members due to last minute cancellation of their interaction with the Peer Team due to paucity of time.

The Director, IQAC shared the following information for the benefit of the members

- The College was accredited by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) with highest grade of A++ in the Second Cycle: with a CGPA of 3.83 on a scale of four which is highest in the country. The re-accreditation status is valid from 28.03.2019 to 28.03.2024.
- The accreditation affirms that institutions performance related to educational processes and outcomes. The NAAC accreditation also carries the responsibility to make the institution meet the expectations and challenges associated with such a unique achievement.

For the benefit of the newly inducted members, the Director, IQAC shared the following information related to the IQAC activities.

- The establishment of Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) by accredited institutions (after the first cycle) is a major step in pushing long-term quality standards.
- The IQAC was constituted during March 2014 under the Chairmanship of the Head of the institution with heads of important academic and administrative units and a few teachers and distinguished educationists and representatives of local management and stakeholders.
- The IQAC has significantly contributed towards improving Academic Environment, Teaching, and Learning Process, Curriculum and Evaluation Methods and Research environment in the institution. Academic Audit, SWOC, preparation and submission of AQAR to name a few.

Details of Submission of Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR)

- The First Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) 2013-14 was submitted to NAAC on 08.08.2014
- The Second Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) 2014-15 was submitted to NAAC on 04.10.2015
- The Third Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) 2015-16 was submitted to NAAC on 28.09.2016
- The Fourth Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) 2016-17 was submitted to NAAC on 14.09.2017
- The Fifth Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) 2017-18 was submitted to NAAC on 22.07.2019 (submitted date)
- The Sixth Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) 2018-19 is currently under preparation.



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The sequence of events leading to Accreditation by NAAC.

- The College submitted Institutional Information for Quality Assessment (IIQA) online on 31.10.2018
- After the acceptance of IIQA, the institution uploaded the duly filled Self-Study Report (SSR) on the NAAC Website along with the required documents on 21.01.2019. The SSR in .pdf format was also uploaded on institutional website. The data of the students for Student Satisfaction Survey (SSS) was submitted concurrently during online submission of SSR
- The process of Data Validation and Verification (DVV) by NAAC was done for the next 30 days. With the support and co-operation of all the stakeholders, the DVV process was successfully facilitated.

Peer Team visit comprising of the following distinguished members visited the institution on 23.03.2019 and 24.03.2019.

- Prof.Kumar Vellanki, Vice-Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor of the Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University, Kakinada was the Chairman of the Peer Team
- Prof.V.P. Jagapathy Raj Professor, School of Management Studies, Cochin University of Science & Technology, Kochi, Kerala was the Member Co-ordinator of the Peer Team
- Prof.Jagdip P Majmudar, Professor, Department of Business Administration, M.K.
 Bhavnagar university, Bhavnagar, Gujarat was the Member of the Peer Team.

The Certificate of Accreditation by NAAC was received on 28.03.2019

The Director further informed that a detailed review of the Peer Committee Report and actions proposed on the observations will be taken up for discussion in the next meeting of the Core-Committee along with other issues.

3. ADDRESS BY PRINCIPAL, BMSCE

The Principal extended a warm welcome to all the members of the reconstituted IQAC Core Committee. The Principal remembered the contribution and support extended by the outgoing members and also was affirmative about the inputs the newly inducted members shall bring to the Core-committee. The Principal extended a special welcome to the distinguished external members

Mr.Suresh Moona Mr.Anantha Bhat Mr.Srinivasa Ramanujam

The Principal appreciated the efforts of all the stakeholders for the meticulous work done in ensuring that the institution got the top most grade and rating by NAAC in Cycle II Accreditation process. The guidance and advice of the Core-Committee was paramount.



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The Principal then shared some of the important activities/achievements since the previous meeting of the Core-Committee which was held on 09.02.2019

- Language Laboratory for the use of all the Departments established in a new dedicated space in the new academic block.
- E-Governance Cell made more effective with focus on computerization of academic, financial and administrative activities
- The College was accredited by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) with highest grade of A++ in the Second Cycle: with a CGPA of 3.83 on a scale of four which is highest in the Country. The re-accreditation status is valid from 28.03.2019 to 28.03.2024.
- New PG Programme of M.Tech Thermal Engineering was introduced during 2019 with an annual intake of 18.
- The intake in respect of UG Programmes of Computer Science and Information Science has been enhanced from 120 to 180.
- The campus facilities and support systems have been continuously augmented to stay advanced.
- The institution hosted many foreign delegations. Good number of which resulted in mutual agreement to foster Academic/Research and Innovation.
- The Institution conducted Phase-Shift an Annual inter-collegiate technical symposium on 14.09.2019 and 15.09.2019 in collaboration of Industry partners, Research institutions and academic professionals. Students from different institutions and more than 70 industries participate in this annual symposium
- The college continues to be ranked amongst top engineering colleges in the country by various ranking agencies.

STRATEGIC PLAN 2020-2025

The Strategic plan is critical to any institution and provides roadmap to the future activities.

The Strategic plan (2013-2020) with long term and short term perspectives was in vogue. The extent of compliance was presented to the Board of Governors from time to time. The Principal further informed that the institution has been able to accomplish almost all the goals with the co-operation and support of all the stakeholders and with the guidance of Management.

The Strategic Plan (draft) 2020-2025 is now being prepared. The efforts are led the committee comprising of Dr.Mangala Keshava, Director, IQAC, Dr.S.Manoharan, Faculty of MBA and Dr.Chetan Nayak, Faculty of Chemical Engineering.



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The following basis was considered for formulating the strategic plan.

- SWOC Analysis conducted through external expert
- Observations of various assessing agencies
- Good Governance practices
- Improve standing under NIRF through focused improvement in all prescribed parameters
- Support student success
- · Improve Institutional outreach
- Focus on future challenges

The Principal further informed that a Strategic Plan Steering Committee is being constituted to monitor its implementation through proper planning activities.

On approval by the Core-Committee, the Strategic plan will be vetted through the Deans and HODs council and placed for the final approval of the Academic Council and BOG.

4. INTRODUCING NEWLY INDUCTED MEMBERS

The Newly inducted members made a brief self-introduction for the benefit of the members.

5. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN (2020-2025)

The draft Strategic Plan developed for the period 2020-2025 were presented by Dr.S.Manoharan, Faculty of MBA and Dr.Chetan Nayak, Faculty of Chemical Engineering for the consideration and review of the members. The faculty members invited feedback and suggestions from the members on the draft strategic plan. The Draft Strategy had the following 14 identified goals for next five years

- 1. Intellectual Property Strategy
- 2. To Promote Consultancy services in all Departments/Disciplines
- 3. Introduce New UG & PG Programmes
- 4. Enhance Placements by core sector companies
- 5. Centre for Foreign Languages
- 6. Recognition of Departments as Research Centres of University
- 7. Global Connect
- 8. Appointment of Research Mentors
- 9. Research Monitoring Committee
- 10. Technology and Innovation Club
- 11. To have 75% of faculty with PhD Qualification
- 12. Accreditation of Laboratories
- 13. Strategic Plan Steering Committee
- 14. Societal Commitment and Green initiatives



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The following observations were made with specific reference to the draft strategic plan

- Mr.B.Ananth Bhat suggested that strategic priorities/goals may consist of 5-7 goals. Few similar goals may be merged into one to achieve maximum effectiveness.
- The Placement scenario related to the core engineering disciplines was deliberated in detail. It was opined that instead of categorizing the recruiters as core and non-core, the placement rate should be the major concern to dwell upon. While on the subject, it was also noted that the assessing agencies like NBA, NAAC and others have been insisting on core placement. Hence, the Placement office shall also continue to look for core companies which offer core engineering jobs
- Mr.Suresh Moona informed that the college should try to instill civic practices among the students. The students must be empowered to contribute to their community and their country. The Institution may propose plan to create techsavvy solutions to civic problems of the city. The institution may also volunteer to create infrastructure to deal with civil issues being faced by the city now. Mr.Suresh Moona volunteered to propose such plans in the ensuing meeting.
- Mr.Srinivasa Ramanujam opined that in addition to academic knowledge the students should have application know-how to solve real-time problems. The students should be encouraged to take up more industry driven projects.

After due deliberations, it was decided to circulate the draft plan among the members for their suggestions and feedback, inputs and ideas on the draft plan. The members may send their feedback Director, IQAC through email: iqac@bmsce.ac.in on or before 15.10.2019. The members may also drive new ideas. The new ideas (if any) may be submitted alongwith action plan, targets and probable outcomes

Other Matters discussed.

- Mr.B.Ananth Bhat suggested offering alumni access to library resources. The college may issue library card to desiring alumni for the said purpose.
- Sri.Vishnudas M.V. (Student Representative) informed the members that the students are
 encouraged to participate in a wide range of activities through student clubs/forums.
 Presently more than 25 student clubs are in vogue and fully functional. These clubs
 conduct numerous activities and programme throughout the year. He also informed that
 there are many students who aspire to become teachers after completing their
 studies. The college may provide suitable platform to orient them on teaching
 skills, modules etc.
- Mr.Suresh Moona suggested establishing a History Club with an aim to generate interest in historical issues among the students. It will create opportunity to the interested students to come together and participate in history related activities. Mr.Suresh Moona also suggested to establish an education museum showing history and tradition of BMSCE.

The Director, IQAC thanked the members for their kind presence and requested them to join for lunch.

The meeting concluded with thanks to the chair.

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DIRECTOR, IQAC