Minutes of the 4th Meeting of the Academic Council (8th Meeting of the Academic Committee) of Ghani Khan Choudhury Institute of Engineering & Technology, Malda held on 20th September, 2021 at 10:30 AM in the Seminar Hall, Administrative Building, GKCIET Malda

The following members attended the meeting:

Dr. Parameswara Rao Alapati	Chairman
Director, GKCIET Malda	Chairman
Prof. Alok Kanti Deb	Member
Professor, Dept. of EE, IIT, Kharagpur, W.B - 721302	Weiliber
Prof. Rajive Mohan Pant	Member
Professor, Centre for Management Studies, NERIST,	Wember
Nirjuli, Arunachal Pradesh – 791109	
Dr. Kshirod K. Dash	NA made and
Dean- Research & Consultancy;	Member
HoD, FT Dept	
Dr. Sandip Chanda	Member
Dean- Student Welfare; HoD, EE Dept	Weilibei
Dr. Nilkanta Barman	Member
HoD, ME Dept	Welliber
Mr. Showmik Bhowmik	Member
HoD, CSE Dept	wember
Dr. Debrup Hui	Member
HoD, Applied Science Dept	Welliber
Dr. Shib Shankar Chowdhury	Member
HoD, Humanities & Social Science Dept	Wember
Mr. Uttam Kumar Ghosh	Member
Assistant Librarian	Wellibel
Mr. Abdur Rajjaque	Special I
Asst. Registrar (Estt.)	Special Invitee
Dr. Koushik Paul	Member-Secretary
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The Chairman welcomed the distinguished experts of the Academic Council and expressed his thanks to Prof. Rajive Mohan Pant of NERIST and Prof. Alok Kanti Deb of IIT Kharagpur (present online) for sparing their valuable time for participating in the meeting. Thereafter the Chairman welcomed all the other members of the Academic Council and requested the Member-Secretary to present the Agenda Items before the Committee. With the permission of the Chairman, the Member-Secretary then took up the Agenda Items:

Item no. A.C. 04-01:

To consider and confirm the minutes of the 3rd Academic Council (7th Meeting of the Academic Committee) of GKCIET, Malda held on 18th February, 2019

Resolution:

As no comments were received, the minutes of the 3rd Academic Council (7th Meeting of the Academic Committee) of GKCIET, Malda held on 18th February 2019 were confirmed.

Item no. A.C. 04-02:

To consider the action taken report of the 3rd Academic Council (7th Meeting of the Academic Committee) of GKCIET, Malda held on 18th February, 2019

Resolution:

The members reviewed and noted the progress on action taken report and accepted.

Item no. A.C. 04-03:

To consider increase in B.Tech fees and revised fee structure

Resolution:

After a threadbare discussion, considering the fact that the current fee is too low compared to many other Institutes and that the fee structure has remained unchanged for a long period of time, Academic Council has approved the proposed fee structure w.e.f. A. Y. 2022-23.

The Academic Council also approved an increase of fees @ 10% every alternate year subsequent to the revision w.e.f. A.Y. 2022-23.

Item no. A.C. 04-04:

To consider draft Library Rules & Regulation and Purchase Rules for procurement of books, journals, etc.

Resolution:

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Approved after a thorough discussion. However, the distinguished external experts added a few suggestions:

- Prof. Alok Kanti Deb underlined the importance of e-books and elibrary in the current times and suggested inclusion of digital books in our library.
- ii. He suggested that more books should be added to the library every year and urged us to explore the possibility of increasing the number and issuing period of books to be issued to faculties / students.
- iii. Prof. Deb opined that there should be a Reading Room in the Library, whose access should be separate from the main library entrance. Students should be able to access it 24x7 and refreshments/beverage-vending-machines should be available there. Prof. Deb and the Chairman both concurred that a separate Study Room (along with laptop charging points) should be made available to the students in the upcoming library building where they can bring in their own books /laptops for studying.
- iv. Prof. Deb also suggested that library committee members/librarian of our Institute can visit IITs to gain a first-hand experience of the library facilities there.
- v. Prof. R. M. Pant suggested yearly Book Fair on the Campus so that faculties/students can browse and purchase books.

Item no. A.C. 04-05:

To consider the list of experts for the recruitment to the Teaching and Non-Teaching posts advertised through Advertisement No. 01/2021

Resolution:

Academic Council considered the list of experts submitted by the Departmental HoDs. After a brief discussion, the Academic Council authorized the Chairman, A.C. to work out the final list of experts considering the confidentiality to be maintained in this exercise.

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