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MINUTES OF THE 2ND (2014-15) MEETING OF THE BOARD OF RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE HELD THROUGH TELEPHONIC DISCUSSIONS / E-MAILS AS PER THE CONVENIENCE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS

The following were present during final Teleconferencing:

Prof (Dr) M Basavaraj	Chairman
Dr Pawan Kapur	Co-Chairman
Prof (Dr) B Visvesvara Rao	
Shri S Ramaswamy	
Dr V Guna Sekhar Reddy	Co-opted

The following responded through e-mails:

Col S P Singh (Retd)	
Brig Lakshman Singh, VSM (Retd)	
Prof (Dr) H M Gupta	Co-opted

Secretariat:

Sandeep Kaur Mangat	Asstt Secy
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The following was unable to attend:

Dr Neeta Shah

ITEM-1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 1ST (2014-15) MEETING OF THE BOARD OF RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE HELD ON THE 04 JAN 2015 AT VADODARA

1.1 As no comments were received except few observations from both the immediate Past Presidents on Review of Existing Awards, which has been taken up in the appropriate agenda point and the Minutes of the Meeting were approved.

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ITEM-2 **"CALL FOR NOMINATIONS" FOR IETE MAIN AWARDS AND IETE CORPORATE AWARDS-2015**

2.1 The members were apprised about the mailing of "Call for Nominations" for IETE Main Awards and IETE Corporate Awards-2015 with approved revision and that it has been published in IETE Journal of Research and IETE Technical Review (Jan-Feb 2015) issues. They were informed about the individual letters that were sent to relevant organizations under the signature of President IETE, along with Awards proforma; also around 22,000 emails that were sent to Organizations/Industry/Associations/Corporate Members/Universities/NIT/IITS/DRDO Labs/NITs etc , asking for the nominations for our Awards.

2.2 The exact number of nominations that have been received at IETE HQ (about nine(9) till date) was also informed to the Board.

This is for the information of the Governing Council.

ITEM-3 **REVIEW OF EXISTING AWARDS**

3.1 As per the last recommendations of the Board and approval of the Governing Council, the Account dept (IETE HQ) was requested to calculate the interest accrued on different corpus amount received for each award since the time it has been instituted. The calculations were done a number of times. Finally two excel sheets, one with salary overheads and another with different other overheads(as suggested) was circulated to all the Board members for their views in the matter.

3.2 The comments received from the two past presidents in this matter were also circulated to the Board members.

3.3 The Board members responded through e-mails and during teleconferencing it was again deliberated. After due deliberations the members recommended that:

- The amount deposited by the Donors is a corpus fund and under no circumstances it should made use of.
- Only interest earned should be used for expenditure of the Awards.
- Though majority of the members recommended no overheads to be included in the calculations for expenditure on awards but the Co-Chairman,Dr Pawan Kapur, was of the view that all direct/indirect/incidental costs (hidden) should be included as overheads as expenditure .

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- Entire corpus fund as per the calculations so far deposited with IETE by the Donors comes to Rs.27,09,269/-
- Annual expenditure of all the Awards comes to Rs.1,72,350/- and the Interest earned on corpus fund annually if calculated
 - @ 6% - it comes to Rs.1,62,557/-
 - @ 7% - it comes to Rs.1,89,650/-
 - @ 8% it comes to Rs.2,16,743/-

Therefore the Chairman explained that expenditure is being managed from the interest accrued only.

3.3 In view of the above Board recommended that expenditure on IETE Awards are not in negative thus the additional corpus amount as discussed earlier need not be asked by the donors. It was recommended to demarcate the corpus fund from the interest accruing.

This is for the approval of the Governing Council.

ITEM-4 APPROVAL OF THE EXISTING LIST OF "EXTERNAL JURY OF EXPERTS" FOR IETE AWARDS-2015

4.1 As per the discussions of the previous Board meeting, the Chairman had suggested following names as the expert jury panel in the case of IETE Techno Media Award for Young Women. It was advised to take consent from these Jury members for their compliance to be in the panel for next three years.

4.2 The Board was informed about the Jury Members having been given their consent, except for Prof Bharati Bhat, who in turn suggested the name of Prof (Mrs) Thyiagarajan as an alternative, to which Prof Thyiagarajan has agreed.

1. Prof A Kumar
2. Prof (Mrs) Thyiagarajan
3. Prof Allam Appa Rao
4. Shri H K Wadhwa

4.3 In case of Smt Triveni Devi Gupta Memorial Award the members were apprised that it is to have the same panel of Expert Jury as that of Life Time Achievement Award.



4.4 After due deliberations the Board recommended that the sanctity of few prestigious awards may be maintained and these new awards instituted may have a common panel of the expert Juries with the flexibility of more names to be added in the list according its domain.

This is for the discussion of the Governing Council.

ITEM-5 IETE-NATIONAL TECHNICAL PAPER CONTEST(NTPC)-2015

5.1 The Board members were informed that IETE Chennai Centre had successfully conducted the NTPC contest on 31st March 2015 at Panimalar Institute of Technology. Members appreciated the efforts of IETE Chennai Centre and the names of the best three papers were announced

First :

Paper title: Solar Thermo-Electric Cooler Cum Warmer

Authors: 1) Soorej. T, 2) Riya R Nayar, 3) Shruthi Rajkumar

Marks obtained: 81/100

College Name: Prime College of Engineering, Erattayal, Palakkad, Kerala

Second:

Paper title: Real Time Portable Computerized Face Perception System

Authors: 1) Sreeja.S, 2) Athira.S, 3) Dhanya.V, 4) R Aiswarya

Marks obtained: 78.6/100

College Name: Prime College of Engineering, Erattayal, Palakkad, Kerala

Third:

Paper title: SCADA And PLC Integrated Gas Leakage Monitoring And Acquisition Systems

Authors: 1) E. Sundaravadivel, 2) C Vimaladevi, 3) K.Vivek,
4) B Zakirhussain

Marks obtained: 70.7/100

College Name: Agni College of Technology, Chennai

5.2 The Chairman of the Chennai Centre also a member of the Board, brought forth few issues to the notice of the Board. He suggested to have proper guidelines for the submission of papers for NTPC Contest. Since there is no limitation to a number of papers being received from a single source, this deprives fair chances to the participants of other colleges.

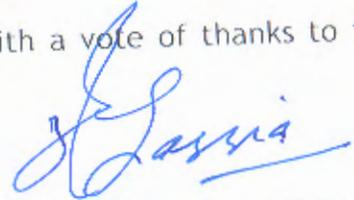
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VOTE OF THANKS

6 The proceedings of the Committee ended with a vote of thanks to the
Chair.

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Maj Gen P K Jaggi, VSM (Retd)
Secretary General

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