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## MINUTES OF 41<sup>st</sup> MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT HELD ON 04<sup>th</sup> April, 2022

A special BoM meeting was convened on 04<sup>th</sup> April, 2022 at 11:30 in the Chairman's Board Room. The following members of BoM attended the meeting.

1. Dr. K. Ramamurthy Naidu, Chancellor, VFSTR : Special Invitee
2. Prof. H. Devaraj, Former Vice-Chairman, UGC, New Delhi : External Member
3. Dr. T.S. Rao, Sr. Advisor, DBT, New Delhi : External Member
4. Prof. BVR. Chowdari, Sr. Executive Director, President's Office, NTU, Singapore : External Member
5. Prof. PVGD Prasad Reddy, Vice-Chancellor, AU, Vishakhapatnam : External Member
6. Dr. Y. Sarat, Director, United Health Systems, Hyderabad : External Member
5. Dr. PMV Rao, Dean, AR&E and Acting Registrar : Member Secretary
7. Dr. Krishna Kishore, Dean, Admissions Library and IT Services : Internal Member
8. Mr. D. Vijay Krishna, Dean, T&P : Internal Member

### Leave of Absence (with permission)

1. Dr. M.S.S.Rukumini, Dean - Student Affairs : Internal Member

The meeting commenced with the opening remarks of the Registrar who invited the external BoM members to wish the departing Chancellor.

### I. Agenda items for the meeting.

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 40<sup>th</sup> BoM meeting held in hybrid mode on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

The minutes of 40<sup>th</sup> BoM meeting held virtually on 26.08.2021 was presented before the members of BoM. The members approved the minutes after due deliberation.

2. Actions taken on the decisions of the 40<sup>th</sup> BoM meeting held on 12-11-2021.

Actions taken on the decisions of 40<sup>th</sup> BoM meeting were discussed and approved.

### II. Agenda Items for Approval:

There were no agenda items for approval of the BoM.

### **III. Agenda items for Ratification**

The Acting Registrar presented the appointment of Prof. P. Nagabhushan as the new Vice-Chancellor consequent upon the resignation of Prof. M.Y. S. Prasad. The agenda point was ratified by the Board.

### **IV. Agenda Items for Information:**

#### **1. Relinquishment of the post of Chancellor by Prof. K. Ramamurthi Naidu:**

The Acting Registrar informed the members about relinquishment from the post of Chancellor of VFSTR by Prof. K. Ramamurthi Naidu after pleasant and successful nine years of service. The Chancellor said that the Chairman graciously approved his request for relinquishment from the post of Chancellor.

### **V. Any other points with the permission of the Chair:**

#### **1. Welcoming the new incumbent by the members of Board of Management.**

The Chancellor mentioned that he knew the new VC 12 years back and he was very dynamic that he guided 33 scholars and published good number of papers. The Chancellor remarked that the new VC was a great academician as well as administrator from Mysore University. The Chancellor expressed his hope that the VC would develop VFSTR as one of the top 25 universities of the country.

Hon'ble Chairman remarked that the new VC has got good platform on which VFSTR is ready to take off. He expressed his view that the new Vice-Chancellor should be connected with the students and faculty. He expressed his hope that Prof. P. Nagabhushan will take the university to the next level.

All the external members have welcomed the new Vice-Chancellor and opined that the focus areas of the development could be

- a) Improving the perception and visibility of the VFSTR at National and International levels.
- b) Improving the skills of the students mainly from those coming from rural backgrounds.
- c) Preparing the institute for the new changes that are coming in the field of Education.

Prof. K. Krishna Kishore expressed his happiness on appointment of Prof. P. Nagabhushan as the VC. He expected help from the VC to strengthen the faculty and research activities.

Mr. D. Vijay Krishna requested the new VC to lead us to cross many success milestones.

As response to the members, the VC stated that he has made a right decision in choosing VFSTR to serve as its VC, and promised that he would put his best efforts for and fulfill the Vision and shall seek for views, suggestions and advices. He said that he believed in silent execution of things. He stated that there should be quality in the show and not show in the quality. He conveyed that he was strongly attracted to the way the hon'ble Chairman speaks from his heart and as that the way he interacted with him drew him to VFSTR. He explained how he preferred VFSTR to the calls from many other premier institution. He said that he shall discharge his responsibility with diligence and shall have personal attachment with everybody. He immensely thanked every Board of Management member for their assurances and support and for the suggestions that they provided.

## **2. Farewell to Honorable Chancellor by the members:**

Hon'ble Chairman thanked the Chancellor for developing VFSTR from its infant stage to the present status. He said that the Chancellor contributed a lot all through especially, for achieving NAAC accreditation, NBA status, NIRF ranking and 12(B) status. The Chairman thanked the Chancellor for introducing Prof. H. Devaraj and Dr. T. S. Rao to VFSTR. The Chairman also thanked him on behalf of faculty and students. He expressed that Prof. Ramamurthy Naidu should always remain connected with VFSTR. He wished the Chancellor a healthy and happy time ahead.

Prof. H. Devaraj expressed that he joined VFSTR on the recommendation of the Chancellor. He wished the Chancellor a healthy and happy time ahead.

Dr. T.S. Rao expressed his decade long association with the Chancellor and thanked him for introducing him to VFSTR. He wished the Chancellor a healthy and happy time ahead.

Dr. Y. Sarat praised that the Chancellor hails from a humble background and that he was also an excellent teacher. Dr. Sarat said that the Chancellor made invaluable contribution to VFSTR. He wished the Chancellor a healthy and happy time ahead.

Prof. PVGD. Prasad Reddy stated that the Chancellor was a man of simplicity and he learnt many things from him. He said the Chancellor has many contacts that helped VFSTR. He thanked the Chancellor for serving nine long years in VFSTR. He wished the Chancellor a healthy and happy time ahead.

Prof. BVR Chowdari thanked the Chancellor for introducing him to VFSTR. He also praised his vision and contribution. He requested the Chancellor to keep in touch with VFSTR.

Prof. Krishna Kishore thanked the Chancellor for directly and indirectly helping the university during the times of NAAC, NBA and 12(B). He said that the Chancellor helped the conduct of mock inspections and he is a great inspiration of all of them. He wished the Chancellor a healthy and happy time ahead.

Mr. D. Vijay Krishna praised the Chancellor as person who is down to earth. He wished the Chancellor a healthy and happy time ahead.

After all the members spoke, the Chancellor gave a full length detail of his extensive experience as a teacher and as administrator in both state and central level institutions.

The meeting ended with the felicitation of the Chancellor by all the members present.

There being no further points for discussion, the meeting was adjourned.



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