

**Aldel Education Trust's St. John College of Engineering And Management**  
**Draft Minutes of the Twelfth Governing Council Meeting held on Friday, 25th June 2021**

The Twelfth Meeting of the Governing Council of AET's St. John College of Engineering and Management was held on Friday 25th June 2021 at 10.30 a.m. in the Conference Room, Ground Floor, St. John College of Engineering and Management, Palghar.

The Chairman, Mr. Albert W. D'Souza presided over the meeting.

**The following Members were present for the meeting**

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| 1. Mr. Albert W. D'Souza          | 11. Ms. Micheal Nadar            |
| 2. Mrs. Elvina D'Souza            | 12. Dr. G. V. Mulgund            |
| 3. Mrs. Elaine D'Souza Buthello   | 13. Dr. Savita Tauro             |
| 4. Mr. Aldridge D'Souza           | 14. Dr. Brajabandhu Das          |
| 5. Mr. Reuben Buthello            | 15. Mr. Satheesh Shetty          |
| 6. Bishop Gerald Almeida (online) | 16. Mr. Sudhir Babu              |
| 7. Mr. R. H. Mendonca (online)    | 17. Mr. Baptist D'Souza (online) |
| 8. Dr. Evans Coutinho (online)    | 18. Sr. Hilda Albuquerque        |
| 9. Mr. Avinash Shastri (online)   | 19. Sr. Irene Pais               |
| 10. Mr. V. R. Patil               | 20. Sr. Benedicta Fernandes      |

**The following Members / special invitees were granted leave of absence**

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| 1. Bishop Percival Fernandez | 4. Dr. Ajoy Kumar        |
| 2. Mr. George Castelino      | 5. Mr. Shekhar Poojary   |
| 3. Dr. S. Krishnamoorthy     | 6. Mr. Cornelius Pereira |

**Welcome by the Chairman**

The meeting commenced with the Campus prayer, after which Chairman, Mr. Albert W. D'Souza extended a warm welcome to all the Members and Special Invitees. He requested Bishop Gerald Almeida to recite a small prayer.

**Confirmation of minutes of the previous Governing Council Meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2020 were read and approved by the members.

### **Action Taken Report & Review of Academic Progress**

Dr. G.V. Mulgund presented the Engineering Degree College report, The Diploma Engineering presentation was done by HOD – Mechanical, Mr. Prasad Deshpande and the MMS Department presentation was done by Dr. P. Balamurugan.

All the presentations started with the Actions Taken Report on the decisions recorded in the previous Governing Council meeting, College Development Committee Meetings and Academic Advisory Council Meetings held. This was followed by the academic progress for the year 2020-21. The details of the college admissions, results, students, faculty, seminars / workshops / trainings conducted, events organized, placements, competitions, industry visits, achievements of students and faculty, areas of concern, infrastructure requirements, action plans to overcome the same and way forward were presented to the Board.

Following were the key observations and suggestions.

#### **Bishop Gerald Almeida**

- He observed that with the Online Teaching mode, the Professors are doing well, but there is always a difficulty in getting the students to attend. Regular classes are the best.
- Online teaching is only useful to those who want to give full attention. Attention of students needs to be captured.

#### **Dr. Evans Coutinho**

- He congratulated the College for the marked improvement in Research activities.
- In terms of the NIRF Ranking, he suggested that the College progress is restricted to a certain limit of progress with only undergraduate programs in terms of NIRF Ranking He suggested that the College start PG & Ph.D. courses. This will improve the NIRF Ranking also.
- The college Faculty should publish in NIRF accepted journals.
- Create a niche for the college – an area of expertise for which St. John shall excel and be well known
- For the Diploma Course - He suggested involvement of the Diploma Engineering students in the Degree student projects so that they learn to participate in competitions and improve their skills. Also such students shall feel motivated for higher studies.

#### **Mr. Avinash Shastri**

- For the MMS Course - He suggested that the Industrial Activities be increased after the Pandemic risk is lesser and restrictions are lifted.

### **Mr. Aldridge D'Souza**

- He suggested that the online certifications should be continued for all students – atleast 1 per student.
- He also said that our Diploma Engineering passout students could participate in the Direct Second Year Sem III classes when they start.
- He requested that HOD's & Faculty should ensure that students sit for the interviews. Students should attend mock interviews to improve their skills. There are cases where students accept job offers and then refuse. They should be counselled to take up the jobs – getting a job in this situation is most important.

### **Dr. Brajabandhu Das**

- He suggested that the Alumni Association identify good passed out students and focus on communication with them. The presence of such students will motivate the current students. Mrs. Elaine D'Souza further added that such students could be called as judges for competitions also.

### **Dr. Savita Tauro**

- She suggested that all data presented be always double checked to ensure consistency in all formats presented.

### **Mr. Albert W. D'Souza**

- He suggested that the Alumni Association formed at every College / Department shall have representation from all batches that have passed out.

### **Financial Matters:**

- The General Manager, Mr. Satheesh Shetty, presented the Budget for 2021-22. After a detailed discussion, the same was approved with certain modifications.

The Meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks by Dr. G.V. Mulgund

Principal & Member-Secretary

Chairman