



DON BOSCO SOCIETY
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Meetings of the Governing Body:

The Governing Body of Don Bosco Society, Azara had two meetings this year at the Don Bosco College premises. The first meeting comprised of both Governing Body and General Body was held on 24 March 2009 and the second meeting of General Body was held on 20 July 2009.

Organizational Matters:

During the year the Society made the following decisions on organizational matters:

1. The 'Memorandum of Association' and 'Rules and Regulations' of the Society were thoroughly restudied and necessary amendments were made to reflect the current projects of the Society, especially the management of the University and the University College. These were forwarded to the Registrar of Societies for his / her information and record.
2. The Society formally put on record that it's Office for Communications is at Don Bosco College, Azara (Guwahati) to facilitate communication and transport.
3. The Society adopted resolutions to use core banking facilities available with the banks that operate the funds of the Society.
4. The Society discussed the issue of setting aside funds for Endowment Fund and Corpus Fund out of the donations as a cushion for the University as well as to meet the requirements under the Act establishing Don Bosco University. It was decided to invest the amount in Gilt Funds and / or Debt Funds, whichever gives the maximum returns.
5. At the Annual General Body Meeting held on 20th July 2009, the Society passed the audited statement of Accounts of the Society for the year 2008-2009.
6. Information was given about the successful registration of the Society under Section 10(23c) of the Income Tax Act.
7. Discussions were held on the application that was made by the Secretary, on behalf of the Society, to the Government of India's National Committee for Promotion of Social and Economic Welfare, Department of Revenue, for registration under Section 35 (AC) of the Income Tax Act. The Society authorized the Secretary, Fr. Stephen Mavelly, to apply for this registration in order to partly cover the expenses of establishing Don Bosco College of Engineering & Technology, and to act for and on behalf of Don Bosco Society, in respect of funds, loans, donations, investments and banking transactions in respect of all projects of the Society.
8. It was also decided to provide 100% freeship to those beneficiaries of the projects under Section 35(AC) of the Income Tax Act who qualify for admission to the engineering courses and who belong to the weaker sections of the society earning Rs 18,000/- per annum or less, if and when the Society obtained the Registration under Section 35(AC) of the Income Tax Act.

Don Bosco University Matters:

Starting of MBA under AICTE approval at Don Bosco Institute, Kharguli: The Society accepted examined and approved a proposal by the University to start an MBA Programme at the Society's premises and buildings at Don Bosco Institute, Kharguli, under the name and style of 'Don Bosco Institute of Management' under the 'Assam Don Bosco University' sponsored by the Society.

To facilitate this, it was decided to earmark irrevocably a total land measuring to 3 bighas (1 Acre) owned by the Society in Ramcha Hills (Kharguli, Guwahati) and the buildings constructed for 'Don Bosco Youth Mission and Educational Services' for the proposed Management Institution under the name and style of 'Don Bosco Institute of Management', and not to use the same for any other purpose without the prior approval/ permission of AICTE. It was resolved that the permanent building, constructed earlier for 'Don Bosco Youth Mission and Educational Services', be now

earmarked for the proposed Institution on the land earmarked as above and the Institution is proposed to start at the permanent site only.

Don Bosco College of Engineering and Technology Matters:

Increase of Intake in ECE stream at Don Bosco College of Engineering and Technology:

The Society resolved to accept and approve the proposal of the University to increase the intake at 'Don Bosco College of Engineering & Technology' from the next session by 60 seats for the approved course: Electronics & Communication Engineering.

Starting a Master of Computer Applications Course at Don Bosco College of Engineering and Technology: The Society also accepted the proposal to start an MCA Programme at 'Don Bosco College of Engineering & Technology' with effect from the academic session 2009-2010, under the 'Assam Don Bosco University' sponsored by the Society.

Provision of additional facilities at Don Bosco College of Engineering and Technology: The Society decided to complete the construction of additional 4,000 Square Metres at Don Bosco College of Engineering and Technology by 30 June 2009, for the purpose of providing exclusive space for the B.Tech programme including the increased intake and the additional new course (MCA) to be started in 2009. The Secretary was authorized to make the appropriate arrangements to get the courses started such as obtaining statutory approvals, raising resources, appointing the requisite staff, building up infrastructure etc.

Matters relating to Fund Raising:

The Secretary was authorized to continue with his efforts at raising resources for the main projects of the Society by contacting Foundations and Individuals in India and abroad (Europe, North America, Mexico and Lebanon etc) and to meet the costs of fund-raising efforts (travel, correspondence, publications, gifts etc) from the funds of the Society.

Conclusion:

At the Annual General Body Meeting of the Society there was a sense of achievement and elation at the amount of progress made by the Society in its main activity of seeing to the growth and development of Don Bosco University. It was also felt that the presence of the University and the College was bringing out a transformation of the Azara area and that the people were immensely benefitted by these activities of the Society. The involvement of the students in social work in and around the area was bringing about a marked change in the lifestyle of the people.

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Fr Stephen Mavelly SDB

Secretary

31st March 2010