

No.SUBMS-GB/23-35/7-25

Dated: 04-05-2023

To

(a) The Chancellor, Dr P. K. Khosla The Pro Chancellor, Mr Vishal Anand	ChairmanMember	
(b) The Vice Chancellor, Prof Atul Khosla	 Member 	
(c) Three persons nominated by the Sponsoring Body:		
i) Mr Ramesh K. Mehan	 Member 	
ii) Mr Satish Anand, R/O Hari Bhavan, Solan	 Member 	
iii) Mr Ashish Khosla, R/O Officer's Colony, Solan	 Member 	
(d) One Expert of Management or Information Technology	gy	
from outside the University:		
Dr R.S.Paroda, Former DG, ICAR (raj.paroda@gmail.co	<u>om</u>)- Member	

- (e) Two persons nominated by the Government: (Nomination awaited)
- (f) Two members of State Legislative Assembly (Nomination awaited)

Prof Sunil Puri

- Member Secretary

Sub: 30th meeting of the Governing Body – Proceedings thereof Dear All,

Please find attached herewith proceedings of the 30th meeting of the Governing Body held on Monday the 1st May 2023 at 11.30 a.m. in the Board Room at the Hqrs of the University, for favour of your kind perusal.

Yours faithfully,

(Sunil Puri)

Registrar-cum-Member Secretary

Encl: (As above)



PROCEEDINGS OF THE 30TH MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY HELD ON MONDAY THE 1ST MAY 2023 AT 11.30 AM IN THE BOARD ROOM AT THE HQRS OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BAJHOL, SOLAN.

The Following attended the meeting: -

1. Prof P.K. Khosla, Chancellor	- Chairman
2. Mr Vishal Anand, Pro Chancellor	- Member
3. Prof Atul Khosla, Vice Chancellor	- Member
4. Mr Satish Anand, Nominee of the	
Sponsoring Body	- Member
5. Ms Ashish Khosla, Nominee of the	
Sponsoring Body	- Member
Dr Saurabh Kulshrestha,	- Spl Invitee
Dean, Research and Development	
7. Dr Sunil Puri, Registrar	- Member Secy

Prof Sunil Puri, Registrar-cum-Member Secretary of the Governing Body welcomed all the members for attending the 30th meeting of the Governing Body. He shared with the members that Dr R.S. Paroda, nominee of the Chancellor under Section 18(1)(d) of the Shoolini University Act, expressed his inability to attend the meeting due to his busy schedule. The Registrar also apprised the house that nominations of the members under section 18(1)(e) and (f) of the University Act, is still awaited from the Government. Dr Saurabh Kulshrestha, Dean, Research and Development of the University attended the meeting as a Special Invitee.

After this, the agenda items were taken up for discussion as under: -

Item No.1: To confirm the proceedings of the 29th meeting of the Governing Body held on 26-12-2022.

The Registrar-cum-Member Secretary informed that proceedings of the 29th meeting of the Governing Body held on 26th December 2022 were circulated to all the members and no comments have been received in this regard from any of the members. Therefore, after a brief discussion, the house unanimously confirmed the proceedings of the 29th meeting held on 26-12-2022.

Item No.2: To apprise the members about the action taken on the proceedings of 29th meeting of the Governing Body

The Registrar apprised the house about the action taken on the proceedings of the 29th meeting held on 26-12-2022. The members expressed satisfaction on the same.

Item No.3: To apprise the members about the University progress and achievements.

The Registrar-cum-Member secretary informed the members of the Governing Body that the University has received prestigious PURSE grant worth Rs 6.3 crore from the Ministry of Science and Technology, GOI. He requested Dr Saurabh Kulshrestha, Dean Research and Development to give a detailed presentation in this regard before the house.

Dr Saurabh Kulshrestha, Dean Research and Development of the University in his presentation before the members of the Governing Body apprised them about the salient features of this grant received from the Ministry of Science and Technology. He apprised the Governing Body that 25% share of the grant will be borne by the host institution. Thus, the liability of Shoolini University will be to the tune of 2.25 crores while the remaining amount will be provided by the DST. He also apprised about the split up of the grant earmarked for different heads. The members of the Governing Body appreciated the efforts of the University for securing this grant from the Ministry.

Taking part in the deliberation, Dr P K Khosla, Hon'ble Chancellor-cum-Chairman of the Governing Body apprised the house that Shoolini University has been ranked first in the country in Chemistry, Physics and Astronomy and third in Environmental Science and Mechanical Engineering in the Scimago Global Ranking 2023.

Pro Chancellor, Mr Vishal Anand informed that Shoolini University has attained an h-index of 100, making it the highest in North India and second in the country among the institutions set up after 2008. He

apprised the members that 100 h-index implies that its 100 research papers have been cited at least 100 times or more. This parameter also depends on the age of the establishment of the university, he informed.

Item No.4: To place before the Governing Body proceedings of the 55th meetings of the BOM.

The Registrar placed before the house the proceedings of the 55th meeting of the Board of Management held on 29-03-2023. He briefly appraised the members about the decisions taken in the said meeting. The members expressed satisfaction on the same.

Item No.5: Any other item with the permission of the Chair

No other matter was discussed in the meeting and the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Prof Sunil Puri)
Registrar-cum-Member Secretary

Confirmed:

(Prof P.K. Khosla) Chancellor-cum-Chairman



No.SUBMS-GB/22- 2420- 27 Dated: 29-12-2022

- Chairman

MemberMember

- Member

- Member

The Pro Chancellor, Mr Vishal Anand
(b) The Vice Chancellor, Prof Atul Khosla

(a) The Chancellor, Dr P. K. Khosla

(c) Three persons nominated by the Sponsoring Body:

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iii) Mr Ashish Khosla, R/O Officer's Colony, Solan

(d) One Expert of Management or Information Technology
from outside the University:

Dr R.S.Paroda, Former DG, ICAR (raj.paroda@gmail.com)- Member

(e) Two persons nominated by the Government: (Nomination Awarita) >

(f) Two members of State Legislative Assembly
Prof Sunil Puri

- Member Secretary

Sub: 29th meeting of the Governing Body - Proceedings thereof

Dear All,

Please find attached herewith proceedings of the 29th meeting of the Governing Body held on Monday the 26th December 2022 in the Board Room at the Hqrs of the University, for favour of your kind perusal.

Yours faithfully,

(Sunil Puri)

Registrar-cum-Member Secretary

Encl: (As above)



PROCEEDINGS OF THE 29TH MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY HELD ON 26-12-2022 AT 11.30 AM IN THE BOARD ROOM AT THE HQRS OF THE UNIVERSITY AT BAJHOL, SOLAN.

The Following attended the meeting: -

 Prof P.K. Khosla, Chancellor 	- Chairman
Mr Vishal Anand, Pro Chancellor	- Member
Prof Atul Khosla, Vice Chancellor	- Member
4. Mr Satish Anand, Nominee of the	
Sponsoring Body	- Member
5. Ms Ashish Khosla, Nominee of the	
Sponsoring Body	- Member
6. Dr Sunil Puri, Registrar	- Member Secv

- Member Secy

Prof P K Khosla, Hon'ble Chancellor-cum-Chairman extended a warm welcome to all the members for attending the 29th meeting of the Governing Body. He shared with the members that the term of two members nominated by the Government under Section 18(e) of the Act ended on 18th August 2022 and fresh nomination has not been made by the Government so far. He further informed that nomination of two members of the State Legislative Assembly is also awaited as the term of the existing members came to an end with the election of the State Legislative Assembly held on 12th November 2022.

After this, the agenda items were taken up for discussion as under: -

Item No.1: To confirm the proceedings of the 28th meeting of the Governing Body held on 10-08-2022

The Registrar-cum-Member Secretary informed that proceedings of the 28th meeting of the Governing Body held on 10th August 2022 were circulated to all the members vide this office letter dated 18-08-2022. After brief discussion, the house unanimously confirmed the proceedings of the 28th meeting held on 10th August 2022.

Item No.2: To apprise the members about the action taken on the proceedings of 28th meeting of the Governing Body

- 1) The Registrar informed the house that the Governing Body in its last meeting held on 10-08-022 had unanimously resolved that keeping in view the overall achievements and contributions of Prof P. K. Khosla, Hon'ble Chancellor of the University, his name may be recommended to the Government for the award of Padma Bhushan. He further informed that the nomination in this regard was completed, within the stipulated period, on the Government of India Portal which was open for the purpose till 15th September 2022.
- 2) The Registrar informed the members of the Governing Body that as per decision taken in its last meeting a notification has been issued vide No. SUBMS/22-2356-58 dated 23-08-2022 to the effect that all the employees of the University, including those inherited from the SILB, will be governed by the latest rules and regulations of the University framed from time to time.
- 3) The Registrar further informed that necessary action has been taken on all the decisions taken in the 28th meeting of the Governing Body held on 10-08-2022.

The members expressed satisfaction on the action taken on the proceedings of 28th meeting of the Governing Body

Item No.3: To apprise the members about the University progress and achievements

The Hon'ble Chancellor informed the house that as per The Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2023 declared on 12th October 2022 Shoolini University has distinguished itself to be at

No.1 amongst the private universities in the country. It has attained 2nd position amongst both private and public universities out of 1100+ degree awarding institutes in the country. In overall category Shoolini University has been placed in the bracket of 351-400, world over. There were 75 Indian Universities that feature in THE's 2023 ranking and India is now the 6th most represented country in the world. The Chancellor further informed that the university is at 39th rank in the world in THE Rankings on Citations, an indicator of the quality of research.

The Chancellor sought blessings of all the members of the Governing Body to take the university to taller heights. The house complemented the efforts of Shoolini University functioning under the leadership of Prof PK Khosla, Chancellor and Prof Atul Khosla, Vice Chancellor and assured their wholehearted support for the university.

Item No.4: To place before the Governing Body proceedings of the 54th meetings of the BOM

The Registrar placed before the house the proceedings of the 54th meeting of the Board of Management held on 15-09-2022. He briefly appraised the members about the decisions taken in the said meeting. The members expressed satisfaction on the same.

Item No.5: To apprise the members of the Governing Body about the Court Cases lying pending in different Courts

The Registrar informed the house that ten cases relating to different matters are lying pending in different Courts in Solan and Shimla. He further informed that the cases in the lower courts pertain to the year 2021 but some of the cases in the Hon'ble High Court, Shimla pertains to the year 2018. Detail of the cases is given in Annexure-

The members of the Governing Body desired that efforts should be made to get the issues settled as soon as possible. Regarding the compensation cases lying pending in the lower courts, some of the members opined that the functioning of the university should be made more transparent and employees friendly so that there is no chance for anybody to knock at the door of the court(s) to settle their grievances. Taking part in the discussion, the Vice Chancellor informed that our university has adopted several measures for the welfare of its employees, nevertheless, some employees are in the habit of raking-up the issues unnecessarily. The compensation cases in the lower courts have been filed by such disgruntled employees, he informed.

Item No.5: Any other item with the permission of the Chair

No other matter was discussed in the meeting and the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Prof Sunil Puri)
Registrar-cum-Member Secretary

Confirmed:

(Prof P.K. Khosta) Chancellor-cum-Chairman To

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Mr Vishal Anand, Pro Chancellor	- Member
(b) The Vice Chancellor, Prof Atul Khosla	- Member
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ii) Mr Satish Anand, R/O Hari Bhavan, Solan	- Member
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(d) One Expert of Management or Information Technology	14
from outside the University:	
Dr R.S.Paroda, Former DG, ICAR (raj.paroda@gmail.com	m) - Member
(e) Two persons nominated by the Government:	
i) Dr Rajesh Kashyap (<u>rajeshkashyap@gmail.com</u>)	- Member
ii) Shri Mohinder Nath Sofat (mnsofat1954@gmail.com)	- Member
(f) Two Members of State Legislative Assembly	
 Shri Arun Kumar, Hon'ble MLA Nagrota 	 Member
(arunkumar@gmail.com)	
ii) Shri Jia Lal, Hon'ble MLA Bharmour	 Member
(jialalkapoorjlk@gmail.com)	
The Registrar, Dr Sunil Puri, -Men	nber Secretary

Sub: 28th meeting of the Governing Body - Notice thereof

Dear All,

I am pleased to inform you that 28th meeting of the Governing Body will be held on 10th August, 2022 at 11.30 a.m. in the Board Room at the Hqrs of the University. You are, therefore, requested kindly to make it convenient to attend the same on the above-mentioned date and time.

I shall appreciate if you kindly confirm your participation and also suggest any item by 31st July 2022 that you would like to discuss in the meeting.

Agenda will be circulated by 3rd of August 2022.

Yours faithfully,

REGISTRAR

Copy forwarded to the Special Invitees mentioned below with the request to make it convenient to attend the meeting on the above mentioned date and time:-

(1) Dr A. Mukhopadhyaya, Former Advisor, DBT, GOI, (2) Dr Dinesh Singh, Former VC, University of Delhi, (3) Mr Vivek Atray, Ex-IAS Officer, (4) Mrs Saroj Khosla, (5) Mr Ashok Anand, R/O Hari Bhavan, Solan (6) Mr Gagan Anand R/O Hari Bhavan, Solan

Item No.1: University progress and achievements

As per THE World Ranking 2022 (Times Higher Education), Shoolini University has earned a place amongst 200 Impact Factor Ranking (2022) while in the QS ranking it came between 801-1000 with 21st rank in India. As per Scimago, it is at the top in India in citations per paper. In fact, Shoolini's research output is double than the Indian top ranked Universities and is now rubbing shoulders with International Universities such as Oxford, Stanford, Harvard, etc.

The matter is placed before the Governing Body for information.

Presentation by the Hon'ble Chancellor

Item No.2: To place before the Governing Body proceedings of the 49th, 50th 51st, 52nd and 53rd meetings of the BOM

49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd and 53rd meetings of the Board of Management were held on 25-08-2021, 05-10-2021, 08-03-2022, 10-05-2022 and 23-06-2022, respectively. The proceedings of the same are placed before the Governing Body for favour of information (Proceedings attached).

Item No.3: To place before the Governing Body University Success in Rankings and IQAC Report for the year 2020-21.

Ms Varsha Patil, Director, Rankings and Accreditation to give presentation on the same.

Item No.4: To apprise the members of the Government Body regarding On-line Education efforts by Shoolini University

Presentation by Mr Ashish Khosla, Director Innovation and Marketing.

Item No.5: To place before the Governing Body budget for the financial year 2022-23

The Annual Accounts and Audit Report for the financial year 2021-22 together with budget for the financial year 2022-23 is placed before the Governing Body for favour of approval.

Presentation by Mr Vishal Anand, Hon'ble Pro Chancellor.

Item No.6: Any other item with the permission of Chair.

Closing remarks, if any, by Key members of the Governing Body

Registrar-cum-Member Secretary



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No.SUBMS-GB/22-1154-63 Dated: 28-03-2022

To

(a) The Vice Chancellor, Prof Atul Khosla	- Member
(b) Three persons nominated by the Sponsoring Body:	
i) Mr Ramesh K. Mehan	 Member
ii) Mr Satish Anand, R/O Hari Bhavan, Solan	- Member
iii) Mr Ashish Khosla, R/O Officer's Colony, Solan	- Member
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(arunkumar@gmail.com)	
ii) Shri Jia Lal, Hon'ble MLA Bharmour	- Member
(jialalkapoorjlk@gmail.com)	
The Registrar, Dr Sunil Puri, - Memb	ber Secretary

Sub: 27th meeting of the Governing Body - Proceedings thereof

Dear All,

Please find attached proceedings of the 27th meeting of the Governing Body held through circulation on 25th March 2022 for favour of your kind perusal.

Yours faithfully,

(Sunil Puri)

Registrar-cum-Member Secretary

Copy together with a copy of the proceedings forwarded to the Secretary to the Chancellor for the kind information of the latter.

Proceedings of the 27th meeting of the Governing Body held through circulation on 25-03-2022

The agenda item as enumerated below was circulated with the permission of Prof P.K. Khosla, Chancellor-cum-Chairman of the Governing Body for approval through circulation by the members of the Governing Body. The following members of the Governing Body approved the item as mentioned below: -

1) Mr Vishal Anand, Pro Chancellor, Shoolini University	- Member
2) Prof Atul Khosla, Vice Chancellor, Shoolini University	- Member
3) Mr Satish Anand, Nominee of the Sponsoring Body	- Member
4) Mr Ashish Khosla, Nominee of the Sponsoring Body	- Member
5) Dr Rajesh Kashyap, Nominee of the Government	- Member
6) Mr M.N. Sofat, Nominee of the Government	- Member

Item No.1: To place before the Governing Body proceedings of the 73rd meeting (Special) of the Academic Council held on 22nd March, 2022.

The Governing Body approved the decision taken by the Academic Council in its 73rd meeting (Special) held on 22nd March, 2022 to award following degrees to the students during sixth Convocation being held on 25-03-2022:

i)	Ph.D	- 35
ii)	M.Phil	- 03
iii)	Faculty of Engineering and Technology	-557
iv)	Faculty of Management Sciences and Liberal Arts:	-881
v)	Faculty of Sciences	- 19

In addition, the Governing Body also agreed with the decision of the Academic Council to: -

1) Award University Medals to 31 students and Merit Certificates to 27 students with merit certificates.

2) Approve thesis and results of two students viz Gun Anit Kaur student of Ph.D Physics and Ankit Verma, students of Ph.D. Chemistry

(Sunil Puri)

Registrar-cum-Member Secretary

Confirmed:

(P.K. Khosla)

Chancellor-cum-Chairman



Dr Sunil Puri Registrar

No.SUBMS/21-1056-66 Dated: 27-09-2021

To

(a) The Chancellor, Prof P.K.Khosla, - Chairman
The Pro Chancellor, Mr Vishal Anand, (In the absence of Chancellor,
the Pro Chancellor will Chair)

(b) The Vice Chancellor, Prof Atul Khosla

- Member

(c) Three persons nominated by the Sponsoring Body:

i) Mr Ramesh K. Mehan

Member

ii) Mr Satish Anand, R/O Hari Bhavan, Solan

- Member

iii) Mr Ashish Khosla, R/O Officer's Colony, Solan

- Member

(d) One Expert of Management or Information Technology

from outside the University:

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Member

(e) Two persons nominated by the Government:

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Member

ii) Shri Mohinder Nath Sofat (mnsofat1954@gmail.com)

Member

(f) Two members of State Legislative Assembly

i) Shri Arun Kumar, Hon'ble MLA Nagrota (arunkumar@gmail.com)

- Member

ii) Shri Jia Lal, Hon'ble MLA Bharmour (jialalkapoorjlk@gmail.com)

Member

The Registrar, Dr Sunil Puri,

- Member Secretary

Sub: 26th meeting of the Governing Body - Proceedings thereof

Sir,

Kindly find enclosed herewith proceedings of the 26th meeting of the Governing Body held on Saturday the 25th September, 2021 at 4.30 PM (IST) through blended mode, for favour of your kind perusal.

Yours faithfully,

REGISTRAR

Encl: As above

Copy together with a copy of the proceedings forwarded to the Secretary to the Chancellor, Shoolini University for the kind information of the latter.

REGISTRAR

PROCEEDINGS OF THE 26TH MEETING OF GOVERNING BODY HELD ON 25TH SEPTEMBER, 2021 AT 4.30 PM (IST).

The Following attended the meeting in person in the VC's Committee Room:-

1.	Dr P.K.Khosla, Chancellor	- Chairman
	Mr Satish Anand	- Member
	(Nominee of the Sponsoring Body)	
3.	Dr Rajesh Kashyap (Nominee of the Govt.)	- Member
4.	Mr M.N.Sofat (Nominee of the Govt.)	- Member
5	Dr Sunil Puri, Registrar	 Member Secy

The following attended the meeting through ZOOM:-

- Mr Vishal Anand, Pro Chancellor (To be the Chairman in the absence of Chancellor)
- 2. Mr Ramesh K. Mehan, Member (Nominee of the Sponsoring Body)
- 3. Dr R.S.Paroda, Outside Expert Member

In addition, the following special invitees also took part in the meeting:-

- 1. Mrs Saroj Khosla, President, FLSBM (Attended in person)
- 2. Mr Ashok Anand, Vice President, FLSBM (Attended in person)
- Dr Amalesh Mukhopadhyay, Former Advisor Biotech, Department of Biotechnology (GOI) (Attended through Zoom)

At the outset Dr Sunil Puri, Registrar-cum-Member Secretary welcomed all the members for attending the 26th meeting of the Governing Body through on-line as well as off-line mode. Thereafter agenda items were taken up for discussion as under:-

Item No.1: Welcome of Prof P.K .Khosla Chancellor of the University:

The Registrar-cum-Member Secretary informed the house that Prof P.K. Khosla took over as Chancellor of the University on 16th December, 2020 and he is chairing the meeting of the Governing Body for the first time in his capacity as Chancellor of the University. He further informed that Prof P.K.Khosla relinquished the charge of Vice Chancellor as a result of intervention by the HPPPRC and the Foundation appointed him as Chancellor with the permission of the Government and accordingly he took over as Chancellor of the University on 16th December, 2020. After extending a warm welcome to the Chancellor, the Registrar requested him to welcome other members of the Governing Body who are attending the meeting today through blended mode.

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Item No.2: Welcome address by the Hon'ble Chancellor

Dr P.K. Khosla, Hon'ble Chancellor extended a hearty welcome to all the members of the Governing Body for attending this meeting through ZOOM and in person in Vice Chancellor's Committee Room. Special thanks were extended to Dr Rajesh Kashyap and Shri Mohinder Nath Sofat nominees of the Government for attending this meeting in person. He also extended a warm welcome to Mr Vishal Anand who is attending this meeting first time in his capacity as Pro Chancellor of the University.

Enumerating the achievements of Shoolini University, the Chancellor apprised the house that the University has figured amongst the top 100 universities of India at the rank of 89 (NIRF ranking 2021, GOI). He further apprised the Hon'ble members that the University has made rapid strides and its research achievements are rubbing shoulders with top international universities. As per QS Asia Ranking, Shoolini's citational data per paper is the highest in India and 14th best in Asia (2020). The university's Field Weighted Citational Impact (FWCI) of 2.01 falls amongst top three Indian universities. In three parameters – Citations per publication, Output in Top 10 per cent Citation Percentile and Output in Top 1% citation Percentiles – Shoolini University is even ahead of top the world universities. Shoolini's h-index of 78 is 2nd best in the country and it is also ranked third best in the country with 630 patents filed till date. It has signed more than 200 MoUs for active academic and research collaboration with national and international institutions and skills development partnership with a host of likeminded universities.

Item No.3: Confirmation and action taken on the proceedings of 25th meeting of the Governing Body held on 03-12-2020.

The Registrar-cum-Member Secretary explained in detail about the decisions taken in 25th meeting of the Governing Body held on 03-12-2020 and action taken on the same.

Thereafter proceedings of the said meeting were confirmed and action taken on the same was noted by the members. All the members expressed satisfaction on the action taken on different items of the 25th meeting of the Governing Body.

Item No.4: To place before the Governing Body matter regarding appointment of Vice Chancellor of the University on regular basis.

Before deliberating on this item, Prof PK Khosla, Chancellor informed the house that one of the applicants for the post advertised happens to be his son, therefore, he will recuse himself from taking part in the deliberation of this Item. He also requested Mrs Saroj Khosla to recuse herself. Accordingly, he authorized Mr Vishal Anand, Pro Chancellor to Chair the meeting and conduct the proceedings of the meeting as per

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provisions of Statutes 5(2) which reads "The Pro Chancellor in the absence of the Chancellor shall perform all his duties through a written order of the Chancellor"

He also informed that he will be joining the meeting again after decision on the item under reference is taken by other members present in the house.

Accordingly Dr PK Khosla and Mrs Saroj Khosla withdrew themselves from the Committee and further proceedings of the meeting were conducted under the Chairmanship of Mr Vishal Anand, Pro Chancellor.

The Registrar-cum-Member Secretary informed that a sealed envelope has been received from the Search-cum-Selection Committee containing a panel of names for the post of Vice Chancellor. Before opening the sealed envelope, the Registrar apprised the house that the Vice Chancellor is appointed by the Chancellor as per provisions of Section 12(4) (b) of the Act. He also informed that as per Section 13(1) of the Act, the Governing Body is to recommend a panel of three persons to the Chancellor for appointing the Vice Chancellor.

Giving details of the UGC Regulations, 2018, the Registrar informed that the person possessing the highest level of competence, integrity, morals and institutional commitment is to be appointed as Vice Chancellor. He further apprised that as per UGC Regulations ibid, the selection for the post of Vice Chancellor should be through proper identification by a panel of 3-5 persons by a Search-cum-Selection Committee, through a public notification or nomination or a talent search process or a combination thereof.

Apprising the house about the Search-cum-Selection Committee, the Registrar informed that the members of such Committee shall be persons of eminence in the sphere of higher education and shall not be connected in any manner with the University concerned or its colleges. Therefore, Search-cum-Selection Committee consisting of the following was constituted by the Chancellor vide its Notification No.SUBMS/21-991-94 dated 08-04-2021 for doing the needful:-

Dr Gurbachan Singh, Former Chairman, ASRB
 - Chairman
 Prof Ashwani Kumar Professor, IIM, Lucknow
 - Member

2) Prof Ashwani Kumar Professor, IIM, Lucknow - Member
 3) Dr R.K.Kohli, Vice Chancellor, Amity University, Mohali - Member

4) Dr JP Singh Joorel, Director INFLIBNET, Ahmedabad - Member

5) Nominee of the UGC - Member

He also informed that though the Chancellor has requested the UGC to appoint its nominee as a member of the Search-cum-Selection Committee as per provisions of UGC Regulations 2018 but the UGC vide its letter No.8-1/2010(CPP-1/PU) dated 5th April, 2021 addressed to the Registrar informed that there is no provision in the UGC (Establishment of and Maintenance of Standards in Private Universities) Regulations, 2003 for such nomination. The Registrar placed the said letter before the house for its perusal.

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The Registrar informed that in view of the provisions of UGC Regulations, 2018 the post was advertised in a leading newspaper on 10th February, 2021 and 2nd June, 2021 and 30 and 41 applications, respectively were received (7 applicants being common) in response to these advertisements. All the 64 applications received in this behalf were sent to the Chairman of the Search-cum-Selection Committee for taking further action in the matter. The above mentioned Search-cum-Selection Committee held two meetings, first on 4th August and second on 10th September, 2021 through on-line as well as off-line mode at the Centre of the Shoolini University at Panchkula. In the first meeting held on 4th August, 2021 the Committee decided criteria for evaluation of 64 applicants and to short list the candidates. In the second meeting held on 10-09-2021 the shortlisted candidates were called to appear before the Committee.

Thereafter the sealed envelope containing the recommendations of the Search-cum-Selection committee was shown by the Registrar to all the members present off-line as well as on-line and it was opened by Dr Rajesh Kashyap, Hon'ble member attending the meeting in person. The Pro Chancellor requested to circulate the recommendations of the committee to all members and after that announced following names in order of merit:-

- 1. Prof Atul Khosla
- 2. Dr Gurdeep Singh Batra
- 3. Dr Saurabh Chaturvedi
- 4. Professor Ravindra Kumar Sinha

The sealed envelope also contained an annexure-II containing score obtained by each candidate in the different parameters fixed by the Search-cum-Selection Committee.

After discussing the matter at length, the house unanimously recommended the aforesaid panel to the Chancellor and desired that the person appearing at serial No.1 in order of merit as recommended by the Search-cum-Selection Committee be appointed as Vice Chancellor for a period of three years as per provisions of Act and Statutes of the University.

After this, Dr P.K. Khosla and Mrs Saroj Khosla also joined the meeting.

Item No.5: Any other item with the permission of Chair:

In the end, Dr P.K. Khosla, Hon'ble Chancellor requested all the members to offer their comments and suggestions about the working of the University.

Mr M.N. Sofat: He shared that this is his second meeting and in the first he took part through ZOOM. He expressed happiness that Prof Atul Khosla has been recommended by the house unanimously for appointment as Vice Chancellor of the University. He said

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that Prof Atul Khosla is young and dynamic and Shoolini University will make rapid strides under his stewardship. He laid stress on the quality of education and desired that quality of education should not be diluted in any case.

Dr Rajesh Kashyap: He shared with the members that he has visited the University a couple of times prior to his present visit. He congratulated Prof Atul Khosla to be the Vice Chancellor of the University and expressed his happiness that the University has got a young leader. He hoped that Prof Atul will follow the footprints of his father (Dr P.K. Khosla) and take the university to newer heights. He offered his wholehearted support for the development of Shoolini University so that it may attain top rank not only in India but in the world at a whole. He shared that amongst the four universities in Solan District, Shoolini is at No.1 so far as private universities are concerned. He also expressed satisfaction that the University is making rapid strides in research.

Ramesh Mehan: He shared with the house that the progress which Shoolini has made so far would not have been possible without the untiring efforts of Dr PK Khosla. He congratulated Prof Atul Khosla for being appointed as Vice Chancellor of Shoolini University and hoped that he will make Shoolini as most sought after University not only in India but in the whole world.

Dr Amalesh Mukhopadhyay: He thanked the University for inviting him to take part in the meeting as a special invitee. He shared with the members of the house that he is associated with the University for the last about 8-10 years when he was working as Advisor (Biotechnology), Department of Science and Technology, Government of India. He too expressed his happiness that the University got a dynamic leader in Prof Atul Khosla. He hoped that under the leadership of Prof Atul Khosla, Shoolini will be known for its quality education world over.

Mrs Sarojh Khosla: She welcomed everybody for taking part in the meeting and shared that the university was founded with great hope and mission. She congratulated Prof Atul for being appointed as Vice Chancellor of the University and being a mother she counseled him to follow the footprints of his father. She further counseled Prof Atul to take everybody along and listen to the problems of all the employees of the University so that the University may attain great heights.

Vishal Anand: He thanked all the members of the Governing Body for deliberating Item No.4 under his Chairmanship. He congratulated Prof Atul Khosla and the entire Governing Body for handing over the baton to Atul. Shoolini who will carry the journey forward to make the university to be amongst top world universities. He emphasized that everybody associated with the university is very important and we have to carry everybody along to achieve our target. He hoped that we will have many opportunities to celebrate during next 2-3 years.

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Satish Anand: He apprised the house that in the beginning of our journey we had great difficulties but with our strong will power and dedicated efforts we have been able to emerge victorious. Right from the inception of the University we decided not to run the university as a business, he added. He further apprised that we were able to start the university with the blessings of Maa Shoolini and everything is happening as per HER wish. There is no business in it, rather we contribute from our pocket to run the affairs of the university. We had a dream and we were able to complete it. We are marching ahead with the help of everybody associated with the University. In the end he congratulated Prof Atul for being appointed as Vice Chancellor of the University and hoped that he will leave no stone unturned to fulfill the dream of all the members of the Foundation.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Sunil Puri)

Registrar-cum-Member Secretary

Confirmed:

(Vishal Anand)

Pro Chancellor-cum-Chairman

(P.K.Khosla)

Chancellor-cum-Chairman