

Temasek Polytechnic Bill

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Temasek Polytechnic Bill

Bill No. 3/1990

Read the first time on 22nd February 1990.

An Act for the establishment and incorporation of a polytechnic to be known as Temasek Polytechnic and for matters connected therewith.

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows:

Short title and commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the Temasek Polytechnic Act 1990 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Interpretation

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires —

“Board” means the Board of Governors of the Polytechnic established pursuant to this Act;

“Chairman” means the Chairman of the Board;

“officers” means the officers of the Polytechnic;

“Polytechnic” means the Temasek Polytechnic established and incorporated under this Act;

“Polytechnic Constitution” means the Constitution of the Polytechnic set out in the Schedule;

“prescribed” means prescribed by this Act, the Polytechnic Constitution or the regulations;

“Principal” means the Principal of the Polytechnic;

“registered student” means a student registered for a course or subject in the Polytechnic leading to the award of a diploma or certificate of the Polytechnic;

“Registrar” means the Registrar of the Polytechnic;

“regulations” means the regulations made under the Polytechnic Constitution;

“Senate” means the Senate of the Polytechnic established pursuant to this Act.

Establishment and incorporation of Temasek Polytechnic

3.—(1) There is hereby established a Polytechnic to be known as Temasek Polytechnic consisting of a Board of Governors, a Senate, the members of the academic staff and the officers of the Polytechnic.

(2) The Polytechnic shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and shall by that name be capable in law of —

(a) suing and being sued;

(b) acquiring, owning, holding and developing or disposing of property, both movable and immovable; and

- (c) doing and suffering all such other acts or things as bodies corporate may lawfully do or suffer.

Objects and powers of Polytechnic

4.—(1) The objects of the Polytechnic are —

- (a) to provide instruction and training in technology, science, commerce, arts and other subjects of learning;
- (b) to aid by research and other means the advancement of knowledge and its practical application; and
- (c) to promote the exchange of knowledge and skills with business and industry.

(2) The Polytechnic may —

- (a) provide such facilities for its students as it considers desirable;
- (b) institute lectureships and other posts and offices and make appointments thereto and employ such other staff as the Polytechnic considers necessary;
- (c) fix, demand and receive fees and other charges;
- (d) promote the formation of or acquire any interest in any undertaking; and
- (e) do all such things as may be necessary, incidental or conducive to the attainment of all or any of its objects.

Board of Governors and Senate, their constitutions, powers and duties

5.—(1) The respective constitutions, functions, powers and duties of the Board and the Senate shall be prescribed by this Act and the Polytechnic Constitution.

(2) The Board shall, subject to the provisions of this Act and the Polytechnic Constitution, be the supreme governing body of the Polytechnic and, subject to the provisions of this Act and the Polytechnic Constitution, it shall administer the property and manage the affairs of the Polytechnic.

(3) Subject to the provisions of this Act and the Polytechnic Constitution and to the financial control of the Board, the Senate shall have the regulation of all matters relating to education in the Polytechnic.

(4) No act or resolution of the Board or the Senate shall be invalid by reason only of any vacancy in, or any want to qualification by or invalidity in the election or appointment of any member of, any such body.

Schools of Polytechnic

6.—(1) There shall be Schools of Science and Technology, Business and Design and such other schools as may be constituted by the Board on the recommendation of the Senate.

(2) There shall be a head of each School with such powers as may be conferred by the Board.

(3) The Board may, on the recommendation of the Senate, form, dissolve or reform such schools and any department, centre, unit and other sub-divisions of any school as it may from time to time consider desirable.

Committees generally

7.—(1) The Board, the Senate and the Principal respectively may establish such committees as they think fit.

(2) Unless otherwise expressly provided, any committee may consist partly of persons who are not members of the Board or the Senate or officers of the Polytechnic, as the case may be.

(3) Subject to the provisions of this Act and the Polytechnic Constitution, the Board, the Senate and the Principal respectively may, with or without restrictions or conditions as they think fit, delegate any of their powers and duties to any committee.

Officers and academic staff, their appointments, powers, duties and emoluments

8.—(1) The officers of the Polytechnic shall be the Principal, one or more Deputy Principals, the heads of the Schools, the Registrar and such other persons who are appointed by the Board as officers of the Polytechnic.

(2) The Principal, the Deputy Principals and the Registrar and other officers shall be appointed by the Board in accordance with the Polytechnic Constitution.

(3) The academic staff of the Polytechnic shall be the heads of the Schools, lecturers and such other persons as may be designated as members of the academic staff by the Polytechnic Constitution and they shall be appointed by the Board on the recommendation of the Principal.

(4) The powers and duties of the officers and members of the academic staff, the periods and conditions for and upon which they hold office and their emoluments shall be such as are prescribed by this Act, the Polytechnic Constitution and the terms of their respective appointments; but the Board may assign to any officer, and in the case of any member of the academic staff on the recommendation of the Principal, such further powers and duties as the Board may think fit.