



Minutes of General Body Meeting

IIT Goa Hostel Council

Time and Venue

September 25, 2018 at LH2 from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM

Members of The Meeting

- Dr. Nandakumar Nambath (Warden Boys' Hostel)
- Dr. Nida Sajid (Warden Girls' Hostel)
- Dr. Sabiha Hashami (Acting Warden Girl's Hostel)
- Ms. Sakshi Shokeen (Manager Hall office and Mess)
- Mrs. Shreeja Roli (Co-ordinator, Student facilitation and hall office)
- Himanshu (General Secretary Hostel Affairs)
- Piyush Doke (Mess Secretary)
- Vishrut Maheshwari (Maintenance Secretary)
- Vasant (Medical Representative)
- Shivangi Sharma (Girls' Representative)
- Third year students
- 4 students from Second year

Agenda of the Meeting

- To discuss various hostel affairs.

Key Points of the Meeting

Locked Staircase Issue

Point Raised

It was asked by the students that why the entrance to the first floor from the girl's staircase at the new hostel is locked yet. They also stated that when they were shifted to the new hostel, they were informed that the door is locked since the students are new, and there should be exclusive staircases for boys and girls.

Explanation

- The door is locked because of security issues. If security is not tight, there might be a chance of some non IIT people climbing the staircase to the girl's side.
- The decision rests with higher authorities and students must follow the same until further notice.

Suggestions given by the students

- Students suggested to make the security system strong because its the security who will take care of such type of things.
- Use of I-card will be the better option to distinguish between IIT and non-IIT student instead of locking the door and disallowing all the male persons to go via that way.

Locked Terrace Issue

Point Raised

Students asked why the terrace is locked. The questions raised were related to utilization of terrace for activities like drying clothes, sitting in open area etc?

Explanation

- Terrace can not be made available for the time, construction is going on around the hostel.
- This issue will be pointed in the next meeting with the administration.
- Proposing the use of terrace for good activities can be considered.

Mess Issues

Point Raised

Students asked the status of the new mess tender process that is going on.

Explanation

Technical bid is open, financial is about to open.

Point Raised

Students asked why the fine is not imposed yet on the caterer even after a lot of complaints.

- Lactometer tests were conducted and it was found that the milk was diluted.
- Finishing of dishes before the meal time in the mess almost every day.
- The menu was not followed properly for last many days.
- Insects were found in the food items.

Explanation

- Fine is **proposed** for all the complaints that are having supporting pieces of evidence.
- Mess committee finds it appropriate and correct, then caterer can be penalised..

Point Raised

Why mess can not be made optional?

Explanation

- Since there is less number of students so it is not possible to make the mess an option otherwise caterer may not be able to make even operational profits.

Suggestion given by the students

- Making the second half of the semester optional for students to continue or discontinue with the mess food and collecting the mess fee in installments.

Internet Issue

Point Raised

Internet connectivity on first floor left wing is very poor, it was informed many a times but not yet resolved.

Explanation

It was informed to the students that boosters will be provided for the rooms that are not having connectivity. And also LAN will be provided soon, work is pending because of the lack of manpower.

Point Raised

Students questioned about the reduced authentication time to 9000 seconds and reasons for blocking the games over the internet.

Explanation

- Students can propose it with solid reasoning and if found suitable competent authorities can be approached for the same.

Fans issue at the old hostel

Point Raised

Students raised questions for the procurement of the fans for old hostel.

Explanation

It was informed to the students that the issues is already forwarded to Higher authorities and and the decision is pending. G.S. Hostel affairs must meet the AR after the meeting and get the current update.

Medical Issue

Point Raised

Questioned were raised regarding non-availability of the vehicle for 24X7 hospital emergencies.

Explanation

- It was informed to them the proposal of ambulance was given one year back and they are regularly following up for the same.
- There is no further update regarding the same.

Point Raised

Pest still enter the rooms and currently only fogging has been done but no pest control spraying is scheduled. There are lots of flies in the mess also.

Explanation

- The Student council suggested plan for the pest control and mosquito control spray. Student council was informed that since any mishaps related to pest control sprays results in SURGICAL PROCESS and students must not enter their rooms for the next 8 hours after the exercise is done. keeping in mind this condition a proper timetable was prepared by the council member and was forwarded to the concerned department.
- Meshing has been done in the mess area.

Feedback

- As per the feedback given by the students, procedure of providing necessary medical facility is slow. Some of things comes when their use is no more required.
- If any student has to go to the hospital via vehicle provided by the Institute. Sometimes it happens that even after prior information, student has to wait for half or one hour for the vehicle.
- If any student is going to the hospital via vehicle provided by the institute and if some faculty member is also sitting in the same vehicle, priority is given to the faculty member instead of the unwell student.

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