# **INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY GUWAHATI**



# MINUTES OF THE EIGHTEENTH MEETING OF THE STUDENT SENATE



**DATE & TIME: 6**<sup>TH</sup> **MAR 2018 AT 7:30 PM** 

**VENUE: CONFERENCE ROOM, NEW SAC** 

The student senate meeting of the Gymkhana was held on the 6<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018. It was called to order on 7:30 pm by the chairman of the Students' Senate at the New SAC Conference Hall. The quorum was present throughout and the following members were present:

•	Nikhil Nagaraj, VP, SGC 17-18	Chairman
•	Vineeth Pachava, GS, TB 17-18	Member
•	Mohit Mishra, GS, HAB 17-18	Member
•	Ravishankar, Joint Secretary, HAB 17-18	Invitee
•	Daksh Kumar, GS, CB 17-18	Member
•	Ravi Viswarapu, AGS, SAIL 17-18	Member
•	Divyata Jaiswal, Girls Senator	Member
•	Mitali Kumawat, Girls Senator	Member
•	Nikhil Bhatia, PG Senator	Member
•	Akhilesh Boppana, UG Senator	Member
•	N. Sarath Chandra, UG Senator	Member
•	Niharika Sishtla, UG Senator	Member
•	Rohit Reddy Kaliki, UG Senator	Member
•	Sai Krupal Reddy, UG Senator	Member
•	S. Harshavardhan, UG Senator	Member

# Item No.0 0/18/03/18

# **Review of Previous Senate Meeting**

# 1. Sport participation of specially abled students

Dileep Boro has been contacted for the same. A proper researched document pertaining to which sports to include for the specially abled students with proper feedback is to be presented.

# 2. Update on Club Review Committee.

Committee has been asked to start work on an immediate basis.

# 3. Work on documentation on the basis of the recommendations by the Lyndgoh Committee

# **Updated Committee:**

- Ravishankar (Chair)
- Ravi Vishwerapu
- Daksh Kumar
- Mitali Kumawat

- Albert Tomy
- Simran Barnwal
- Ravi Chandra
- Thomas Kuriakose(External Member)
- N.Sarath Chandra(Member Secretary)

# 4. Medical User Group update

Completed

5. Fish Harvesting Committee.

Completed

6. Spectacle Shop on Campus

Divyata Jaiswal has been asked to finalize a vendor for the same.

7. Souvenir Shop on Campus

Shyamu Jha has been asked to take another update from establishment.

# Item No.1

# **Stopping GPL in campus**

The tradition of giving birthday bumps (GPL) must be stopped in our campus. Hitting the student with slippers or belt for an average of one hour—does sound undeniably scary. It is a sort of ragging only and can cause serious injuries.

# Proposed by: Nikhil Bhatia

#### 1/18/03/18

The senate has concluded that advisory messages be spread regarding the harms of the same and that any person can complain to the Students' Gymkhana regarding physical harassment.

### Item No.2

# **Handing Over Ceremony**

Proposed by: Nikhil Nagaraj

Formation of committee for conduction of handing over ceremony in April.

# 2/18/03/18

Ad-hoc subcommittee for handing over ceremony on April 20<sup>th</sup>:

- 1. Mitali Kumawat(Chair)
- 2. Lopamudra Boruah
- 3. Akhilesh Boppana
- 4. Rohit Reddy

#### Item No. 3

#### Club Activities for senior students

Proposed by: Ravi Shankar

Post graduate and graduate students who have completed their normal study duration in the campus (5 years for a PhD student, 2 years for Masters, 4 years for undergraduate) should not take any roles in activities other than their academics. They can participate in co curricular activities(like representing their hostel in Manthan/Spardha) but cannot take any sort of lead role

#### 3/18/03/18

Approved with full majority consensus from the senate and will be placed for approval in SAC.

#### Item No. 4

#### Can we extend the time for PhD and Masters students in Indoor courts?

Proposed by: Ravi Shankar

The working hours for PhD and Masters student vary from undergraduate student. Current curfew hours are meant to ensure enough sleeping time for UG students, considering their class timings.

4/18/03/18

A poll for the requirement of the same is to be floated.

#### Item No. 5

# Awards or Medals for the best Undergraduate Research Project from each department during the Graduation Ceremony

Proposed by: Niharika

A recognition from the institute for research work would be very encouraging.

#### 5/18/03/18

SAB is looking into the feasibility of the same. Abhishek (Joint Secy. SAB) has been assigned the appropriate work for the same.

#### Item No. 6

Best Thesis award for PhD students during the Graduation Ceremony Best Thesis award for PhD students during the Graduation Ceremony.

Proposed by: Niharika

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#### 6/18/03/18

SAB is looking into the same.

# Item No. 7

# CPI Cutoff to be decreased for converting an Audit to a Credit Course

# Proposed by: Niharika

A student cannot convert an audit course into a credit course unless his CPI is more than 8. From what I have observed here on campus, many people start performing pretty well from their 2nd year as it takes some time to get accustomed to the atmosphere here in college. Most of the students end up taking audits in the subjects they are interested in, if they are performing well, they should be given a chance to add it into their credits.

#### 7/18/03/18

The agenda was reframed as CPI cutoff to be decreased for taking up an additional course as a credit course from the status quo. It was concluded that a proper feedback be taken regarding the same and then submitted to the ADoAA(UG) for subsequent decision.

#### Item No. 8

# **Issue of Library Books during examinations.**

Proposed by: N.Sarath Chandra

#### 8/18/03/18

It so happens that atleast one examination falls during Sunday which is not a working day for the Library. Many students have open book examinations or require books at the last moment. It is proposed that the library keep at least one counter open during such days.

The librarian is to be asked for the approval of the same.