



Students' Senate
Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
Ankit Bhutani | Convener



Minutes: 1st Meeting of the Students' Senate 29th March 2012

The 1st meeting of the Students' Senate (2012 – 2013) was held on 29th March 2012. It was called to order at 8:13 pm.

The attendance record of the senators is:

- Total: 44
- Present: 39
- Absent: 5
- Absent with permission: 2

1. Announcements and remarks

- The General Secretary, Games and Sports Council announced that the trials for summer camp will be starting from the 1st of April. He also informed the Senate about the Aerobics classes which will start soon; as well as the start of last leg of Varchasva – the inter pool sports competition.

2. Actions Taken Report

- The letter regarding student opinion on the changes in admission processes of IITs and other engineering colleges was sent to the Chairman, Board of Governors, IIT Kanpur and the Director, IIT Kanpur: Convener, Students' Senate

Action Completed

- The Director, IIT Kanpur had been informed by the President about the cricket match incident at IIT Kharagpur and about the subsequent course of events. He was requested to look into the matter: President, Students' Gymkhana

Action Completed



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- Mr. Puneet Singh submitted the final report of the committee to look into the improvements for Library: Mr. Puneet Singh

Action Completed

- The Convener informed the Senate that Mr. Anurag Agrawal, the chair of the committee to look into the matter regarding interaction of new students with the rest of the campus community had conveyed that there had been 1 meeting of the committee in which the main problems were discussed. It was told that the committee needed to meet again and the report of the same shall be submitted in the subsequent meetings of the Senate.

Action Pending

3. Ratification of the minutes of the 9th Senate meeting, 2011-12

- The minutes of the 9th Senate meeting had not been circulated by the previous Convener, Students' Senate. Hence, the ratification of the same was deferred to the next meeting. The Convener mentioned that a request shall be sent to the previous convener to circulate the minutes as soon as possible.

4. Ratification of the minutes of the Joint Senate Meeting, 2012

- The ratification of the minutes of the Joint Senate Meeting 2012 was deferred as the minutes of the 9th Senate meeting, 2011-12 had not been ratified.

5. Election and Charge Handover of the Parliamentarian, Students Senate

The following senators submitted their nomination and presented their Mission and Vision:

- i) Jyoti Gupta Senator, UG Y9
- ii) Rahul Arora Senator, UG 10



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Ms. Jyoti Gupta was elected as the Parliamentarian, Students' Senate. She took over the charge from Ankit Bhutani, Parliamentarian, Students' Senate, 2011-12.

6. Election of the COSHA Convener, Students Senate

Only one Senator, Himanshu Pandey, Senator, UG 10 submitted his nomination and presented his mission and vision for the post. He was elected as the new COSHA convener, Students' Senate for the year 2012 – 2013, taking over charge from the Mr. Abhay Jain, COSHA Convener, 2011-12.

7. Presentation of the End Term Report of COSHA

The outgoing COSHA convener, Mr. Abhay Jain, presented the end term report of the COSHA; highlighting the major actions taken and recommendations for the next year.

8. Election of the members for the following standing committees of the Students Senate:

a) The Emergency Committee

The following senators were elected as the members of the Emergency committee.

i. Ashutosh Sharma	Senator, UG Y7
ii. Sumit Bhagwani	Senator, UG Y8
iii. Pratik Moona	Senator, UG Y9
iv. Shivam Trivedi	Senator, UG 10
v. Diksha Gupta	Senator, UG 11
vi. Karthik Balsundaram	Senator, Ph. D
vii. Abhimanyu M A	Senator, M.Tech 11
viii. Rekha Raja	Senator, Ph. D



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b) The Finance Committee

The following senators were elected as the members of the finance committee:

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| 1. Adwait Parulekar | Senator, M.Tech 11 |
| 2. Aman haji | Senator, UG Y9 |

c) The Steering Committee

The following senators were elected as the members of the steering committee:

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| 1. Srijan R Shetty | Senator, UG 11 |
| 2. Arjun Ravichandran | Senator, M. Tech 11 |

d) The Rules and Procedures Committee

The following members were nominated as the members of the Rules and Procedures Committee:

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| 1. Shouvik Sachdeva | Senator, UG 11 |
| 2. Srinivas Chitturi | Senator, M. Tech 11 |

e) The Nominations Committee.

The following members were elected as the members of the nominations committee:

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| 1. Pratik Moona | Senator, UG Y9 |
| 2. Karthik Balsundaram | Senator, Ph. D |



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f) The Committee of Students for Hostel Affairs (COSHA)

The following members were elected as the nominees of the COSHA:

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| 1. Payel pal | Senator, Ph. D |
| 2. Saurabh Dixit | Senator, UG 10 |

g) The Undergraduate Students Academic Affairs Committee (UGSAAC).

h) The Postgraduate Students Academic Affairs Committee (PGSAAC).

i) The Health Centre Committee

As the committees- UGSAAC, PGSAAC and HCC had been dissolved in a constitutional amendment passed in the 9th Senate meeting held on 16th March 2012, elections were not held for these committees.

9. Ratification of the recommendations of the panel for Core Team, Udghosh'12

The panel for the selection of Core Team, Udghosh'12 had recommended the following names:

Festival Coordinator	Shadab Azeem
Head Security	Anshul Porwal
Head, Finance	Utpal Raman Sharma
Head, Public Relations	Avani Garg
Head, Events (Hospitality)	Abhishek Gupta
Head, Events (Show Management)	Harshit Gangwar



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It has been suggested by the panel that re-nominations be called for the following posts:

1. Head, Marketing
2. Head, Events (Competitions)
3. Head, Events (Design)

The recommendations for names as well as for re-nominations were ratified by the senate.

10. Ratification of the recommendations of the panel for Core Team, Antaragni'12

The following names, as recommended by the panel for selection of Core Team, Antaragni'12 had been circulated along with the agenda. The same were ratified by the Senate:

Head, Public Relations

1. Koustav Dey

Head, Events (Competitions)

1. Arpan Jain

2. Abhishek Dhandhar

11. Ratification of the Core Team, Science and Technology Council

The list of core team members of the Science and Technology Council had been circulated. The Senate recognized and ratified only the coordinators of the clubs and Hobby groups. The ratified names are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Club/Hobby Group</u>	<u>Roll No.</u>
Suraj Bhamare	Aeromodelling Club	10192
Arpit Khunteta	Aeromodelling Club	10146
Vijin Venu	Astronomy Club	10799



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Neha Singh	Astronomy Club	10443
Farman Memon	Business Club	10255
Mohit Garg	Business Club	10409
Awshesh Srivastava	Business Club	11125012
Nikhil Gupta	Electronics Club	10447
Anurag Dwivedi	Electronics Club	10132
R. P. Suman	Electronics Club	10617
Anshu Avinash	Programming Club	10122
Rabi Shanker Guha	Programming Club	10551
Mridul Verma	Programming Club	10415
Abhijit Verma	Robotics Club	10008
Ayush Varshney	Robotics Club	10183
Farid Ahsan	Robotics Club	10403
Divyaratan Popli	BRAIN Hobby Group	10251
Aman Jain	Gliding Hobby Group	10067
Kuldeep Yadav	HAM Hobby Group	10358
Sankalp Shukla	HAM Hobby Group	10646
Mayank Agarwal	Rubik's Cube Hobby Group	10392
Sushant Mehrotra	Rubik's Cube Hobby Group	10750

12. Ratification of the Core Team, Cultural Council

- The list of core team members of the Cultural Council was circulated along with the agenda.
- Himanshu Pandey, Senator UG 10, expressed his concern about the decrease in the number of coordinators for Literary Society as compared to previous year. General Secretary, Cultural Council clarified that none other than the names circulated, were found suitable for the post.



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- The General Secretary, Cultural Council informed the Senate that re-nominations have been called for the co-coordinators of the Music club due to insufficient number of applications.
- A concern was also raised by the Samarth Bansal, UG 10 Senator about the appointment of a certain Dance club coordinator. However, as the raised concern involved matter of subjectivity, the senate decided to trust the judgment of the General Secretary along with the panel and continue with the ratification.
- The list of coordinators of the Cultural Council as circulated along with the agenda was ratified by the Senate. The list is as follows:

Literary Society

1. Siddharth Vishwanath
2. Priyank Jaini
3. Saurabh Barnawal
4. Gulshan Gupta
5. Mularam Jat

Fine Arts

1. Mrigank Singh
2. Shobhit Yadav
3. Manas Singh
4. Saumya Saxena

Dramatics Club

1. Jaishree Rai
2. Rohit Hemrajani
3. Harsh Pokharna

Dance Club

1. Abhishek Gaurav
2. Rishav Garg
3. Harshit Khaitan
4. Twinkle Singh
5. Rohit Saini

Quiz Club

1. Prakhar Gupta
2. Rohit Gupta
3. Shashwat Shivam



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13. Ratification of the Core Team, Films and Media Council

- The list of core team members of the Films and Media Council were circulated along with the agenda.
- The General Secretary for the FMC proposed to restructure the FMC by merging the ShowM and Archieves club; and to promote the Design Club from a Hobby Group to a Club.
- The Senate deferred this agenda item requesting the General Secretary, Films and Media Council to bring the proposal for restructuring to the senate for its consideration.

14. Ratification of the recommendations of the panel for Gymkhana Awards

- The recommendations of the panel for Gymkhana Awards had been circulated along with the agenda.
- The names were:
 - Outstanding Freshman
 - 1. Eeshit Vaishnav
 - 2. Anjali Vishwakarma
 - Science and Technology Excellence Award
 - 1. Ankit Mahato
 - Cultural Excellence Award
 - 1. Harsh Pokharna
 - Gymkhana Blues
 - 1. K Sudheendra Rao
- Gymkhana Leadership/ Community Service Award was not given to anyone as the panel did not find any applicant suitable for the award.
- The panel for Gymkhana Cultural Excellence Award made a special mention of an applicant Ms. Gunjan Kohle for her contributions to the cultural council.



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However, as the award could only be given to one student in a gymkhana year, she could not get the award.

- Pratik Moona, Senator UG Y9 raised a concern as to whether only the activities pursued through Students' Gymkhana were considered or other activities were also considered. He was requested to get in touch with the chair of the panel and to report back within 24 hours in case he is not satisfied with the explanation given by the chair of the panel.
- The senate ratified the list provisionally subject to the above mentioned point.

15. Report of the committee to look into the improvement and requirements of the Library

- Mr. Puneet Singh presented the updated report of the committee to look into the improvements and requirements of the library. The report reflected both the long term requirements as well as the short term requirements of the students.
- The Senate accepted the report and commended the work of Mr. Puneet Singh as the chair of the committee and also as a member of the Senate Library Committee (SLC).
- The President was requested to pursue the matter with the concerned authorities.

16. Presentation of the updates regarding finances of Antaragni'11

- Mr. Rishabh Raj (Head, Finance - Antaragni'11) put forth the updated Finance Report of Antaragni'11.
- He mentioned that the Antaragni'11 team had been trying to get in touch with the sponsor that was delaying the payment, but had not met success so far.



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- A final deadline of 4th April was given to the Antaragni'11 team to make an attempt to get the required money from the sponsor, following the result of which the senate would decide the subsequent course of action.

17. Discussion on the proposal for constitutional amendment regarding the formation of Senate Festival Monitoring Committee (SFMC)

- A brief discussion was carried out considering the fact that the senate in its 9th meeting, 2011-12 has agreed in principle to the formation of such a sub-committee.
- The President, Students' Gymkhana suggested that the rules and procedure committee should formulate the proposal for the same.
- Agreeing to the suggestion put forward by the President, senate decided to refer the same to the rules and procedures committee.

18. Discussion on the proposal for constitutional amendment regarding the expansion of the Steering committee

- This item was deferred until the next Senate meeting.

19. Question and Remarks

- Mr. Varun Sood, a general body member informed the senate that he had certain complaints regarding the budget of Varchasva and some complaints against the General Secretary, Games and Sports Council, 2011-12. He was asked by the Convener to give a written complaint for the same.
- A concern was raised over the actions taken over complaints made to the GRC for Galaxy, 2012. The matter was deferred until the presentation of the Galaxy post conduction report.

20. Any other items with the permission of the chair



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- Mr. Yuvraj Dhillon, General Secretary Sports Council presented a proposal to review the SPEC document. The Senate accepted the same and asked him to pursue the matter at the earliest.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:57 pm.

Attendance Record

Sl.No.	Senators	Name of the Post	Attendance
1	Abhay Jain	President, Students' Gymkhana	Present
2	Sonal Kumari	General Secretary, Cultural Council	Present
3	Subhojit Ghosh	General Secretary, Science and Technology Council	Present
4	Yuvraj Dhillon	General Secretary, Games and Sports Council	Present
5	Yashovardhan Bhagat	General Secretary, Films and Media Council	Present
6	Ankit Bhutani	Convener, Students' Senate	Present
7	Ashutosh Sharma	Senator, Y7 (5 Year)	Present
8	Md. Maaz	Senator UG Y8 (4 Year)	Present
9	Devesh Kumar Gupta	Senator UG Y8 (4 Year)	Present
10	Amritanshu Singh	Senator UG Y8 (4 Year)	Present
11	Sumit Bhagwani	Senator, UG Y8 (5 Year)	Present
12	Akella Ravi Nagarjun	Senator, UG Y8 (5 Year)	Present
13	Kanish Manuja	Senator UG Y9	Absent*
14	Jyoti Gupta	Senator UG Y9	Present
15	Pratik Moona	Senator UG Y9	Present
16	Aman Haji	Senator UG Y9	Present
17	Digraj Singh Chahal	Senator UG Y9	Present
18	Anurag Dash	Senator UG Y9	Present



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19	Himanshu Pandey	Senator UG Y10	Present
20	Abhiroop Bhatnagar	Senator UG Y10	Present
21	Rahul Arora	Senator UG Y10	Present
22	Saurabh Mishra	Senator UG Y10	Present
23	Amritanshu Mishra	Senator UG Y10	Present
24	Saurabh Dixit	Senator UG Y10	Present
25	Sanchit Khattar	Senator UG Y10	Present
26	Shivam Trivedi	Senator UG Y10	Present
27	Ankur Atul Agarwal	Senator UG Y11	Present
28	Amrit Rijhwani	Senator UG Y11	Present
29	Samarth Bansal	Senator UG Y11	Present
30	Srijan R Shetty	Senator UG Y11	Present
31	Shouvik Sachdeva	Senator UG Y11	Present
32	Ashish Dabas	Senator UG Y11	Present
33	Pranjal Gupta	Senator UG Y11	Present
34	Diksha Gupta	Senator UG Y11	Present
35	Arjun Ravichandran	Senator, M.Tech Y11	Present
36	Adwait Parulekar	Senator, M.Tech Y11	Present
37	Abhimanyu M A	Senator, M.Tech Y11	Present
38	Srinivas Chitturi	Senator, M.Tech Y11	Present
39	Nishant Maheshwari	Senator, MBA + M.Des. + other equivalent Masters Programmes Y11	Absent
40	Karthik Balasundaram	Senator, Ph.D.	Present
41	Vikas Nandal	Senator, Ph.D.	Absent
42	Kumar Gaurav	Senator, Ph.D.	Absent
43	Payel Pal	Senator, Ph.D.	Present
44	Rekha Raja	Senator, Ph.D.	Present



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Absent* - Absent with permission