



Students' Senate (2018-19)
Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
Ayushya Agarwal | Chairperson



1st Special Meeting of the Students' Senate (2018-19): Minutes

The 2018-19/1 st Special Meeting of the Students' Senate was held on Saturday, 14th April, 2018 in the Senate Hall, SAC. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, Students' Senate at 8:30 PM.

The following agenda items were taken up for consideration:

Item No. 1	To confirm the Minutes of the following meetings: * 2017-18/Joint Meeting * 2018-19/1st Meeting
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The minutes of those meetings were not prepared and hence not presented.

Item No. 2	Announcements and Remarks, if any
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The following announcements were made on the floor of the Senate -

- The General Secretary, Science and Technology council presented the council core-team list and report for why those candidates were chosen. The same was ratified in the senate.
- The Chairperson, Students' Senate stated that the concern of the Students' Senate on the biometric data has been forwarded to DOAA.
- The President, Students' Gymkhana announced that in light of recent rape cases over the country, a few general body members wanted to organize a candle light march and provided the route and information for the same.

Item No. 3	To report the actions taken on the decisions on the Students' Senate 2017-18
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This item was deferred to the next meeting since the Ex-Chairperson Students Senate was sick.



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Item No. 4	To consider the issue of the PG Girls Representative of the Senate
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The Chairperson, Students Senate presented the item for the consideration of the Senate. Since no PG girl had been elected as a representative, a PG girl's representative was required. The Senate decided to empower the Chairperson to hold elections for the PG Girl's representative after the end-semester exams, since the upcoming week was a blackout period the election commission had not been formed.

Item No. 5	To consider the End Term Report of General Secretary, Media and Culture
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The end term report was not presented as the General Secretary, Media and Culture (2017-18) was not present in the meeting.

Item No. 6	To consider the Pre Term Report of General Secretary, Games and Sports
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General Secretary Games and Sports Council presented the pre term report alongside the budget of the Council. The Senate discussed the plan for fresher's inferno as thought out by the General Secretary and mandated the General Secretary to send in a pre-event finance report for events with budgets greater than rupees 30,000. Further, The General Secretary was asked to mention the distribution of each club's budget. With the above changes, the pre-term report was accepted by the senate.

Item No.7	To consider the Pre Term Report of General Secretary, Science and Technology
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General Secretary Games and Sports Council presented the pre term report alongside the budget of the Council. After a discussion on the events and their finances, the pre-term report was accepted by the senate.

Item No. 8	To consider the Pre Term Report of the General Secretary, Media and Culture
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The Officiating General Secretary, Media and Culture presented the pre-term report along with the budget allocation. There were concerns raised about the large amount allocated to the Dramatics club and the budget was explained in detail. Further initiatives such as conduction of an exhibition and auction of art works of clubs were discussed. The budget allocation for Photography club was corrected. The Senate accepted the report with the above changes included.

Item No. 9	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the Games and Sports Council
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The list was ratified by the Senate and the General Secretary, Games and Sports was asked to float the available presentations of the candidates which applied for various posts.

Item No. 10	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the Media and Culture Council
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The Officiating General Secretary, Media and Culture presented the list for ratification and the same was accepted by the Senate

Item No. 11	To consider for ratification the team of Academics and Research Cell (2018 – 19)
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The list was presented to the Senate and was ratified with the caveat that the presentations of the candidates are shared with the Senate.

Item No. 12.	To consider for ratification the team of Community Welfare Cell (2018 – 19)
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The list was presented on the floor of the Senate and ratified.

Item No.13.	To consider for ratification the team of Entrepreneurship Cell (2018 – 19)
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The list was presented on the floor of the Senate and ratified

Item No. 14	To consider for ratification the team of Vox Populi (2018 – 19)
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The list was presented on the floor of the Senate and ratified

Item No. 15	To consider for ratification the team of Outreach Cell (2018 – 19)
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The list was presented on the floor of the Senate and ratified

Item No. 16	To consider for ratification the team of Entrepreneurship Cell (2017 – 18)
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The list was presented and the proposer was asked to re-submit the list in the next meeting since the list was found to be in violation of some principles of Appendix F.

Item No. 17	To consider for ratification the team of Academics and Research Cell (2017 – 18)
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The list was presented on the floor of Senate. Since a large number of executives were being presented by the cell for ratification, the Senate asked for justification for the numbers. As the End-term report had not been presented, the Senate decided to defer the ratification till the time the End-term report was accepted by the Senate.

Item No. 18	To consider the proposal for having team coordinators in the Games and Sports Council
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The General Secretary, Games and Sports proposed to have a post team coordinators in the council. The item was discussed at length by the Senate and the Senate accepted the need for the post. The General Secretary was clarified that the team coordinators will conduct Inferno, Josh and there will be no event managers for these events. The Senate further suggested restarting one-week one-sports programme using the help of these team coordinators. The proposal was accepted by the Senate.



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Item No. 19	To consider the Gymkhana budget for the year 2018-19
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The Gymkhana budget (2018-19) was discussed along with the pre-term reports of the councils. The Senate discussed further on the budget allocation for the President's' Office, the different cells and the Chairperson's office. During the discussion, the Senate accepted that the cells should also present pre term reports. It was decided that the Finance Convener will float new rules for SSF on mailing list. The budget was approved by the Senate along with the changes made.

Item No. 20	To consider the report of the committee looking into the issue of Special Appreciation Certificates
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The item was deferred to the next meeting.

Item No. 21	To consider the Hall Allocation Policy
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The convener, CoSHA presented the Hall Allocation Policy for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate pointed out discrepancies in the report convener CoSHA and accepted the Hall Allocation Policy with some changes.

Item No. 22	To consider the Post Conduction Report of Udghosh'17
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The Festival Coordinator of Udghosh'17 presented the report to the Senate. There was a discussion on the number of holidays given to all the three festivals. It was suggested that the 2 Gymkhana holidays should be rotated among the 3 festivals every year to. This was forwarded to the Joint COFA. In the discussion on the finance report of the festival, it was pointed that the common room charges are not fixed for all the festivals and hence it was asked to maintain uniform rent charges for every event. The report was accepted by the Senate.

Item No. 23	To consider the updated UGSAC + PGSAC proposal and elections of the conveners of the same
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The item was deferred to next meeting.

Item No. 24	To consider changes in the Finance Rules of the Gymkhana
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The proposed changes in the Finance Rules of the Gymkhana were discussed. The Senate decided on the following points:

- If the budget of the event is greater than INR 30,000 , a pre-term and detailed finance has to be mailed to the finance convener.
- An absolute cap is to be kept for non-billable travel expense.

The proposed rules with the suggested changes were accepted by the Senate.

Item No. 25	To consider the proposal for Departmental Societies
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The item was deferred for next meeting.

Item No. 26	To consider the proposal for the formation of an email account for Presidents' Office
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This agenda was proposed by President, Students' Gymkhana; Due to large number of incoming mails to president(nearly 4900) and forwarded mails to student list, many important mails might not be read by student community. Thus the President wanted a separate mailing id through which the forwarded mails would be sent. The Senate opined that splitting the id would also create a hierarchy in the mailing ids and was an invitation for students to ignore completely the id through which communication was forwarded. Further, the Senate did not want to give the discretionary power to the President to decide on which communication should be forwarded from the preferred mail id. The Senate voted on the proposal and decided to keep only one mail id for all purposes of President Students' Gymkhana.

Item No. 27	To consider the issue of non-ratified students sending emails claiming particular posts.
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The item was deferred for next meeting.



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Item No. 28	To consider the interviews for the post of Festival Coordinator, Techkriti '19
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The interviews were held.

Item No. 29	Questions and Remarks
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- It was raised that the academic area second gate(besides main gate) should be opened due to large number of cycles and traffic during peak time.The President, Students' Gymkhana was asked to take it up with the relevant authorities.
- The issue of Blanket punishments given to the CSO202 was raised and the senate discussed on the idea of passing a resolution regarding the same. It was decided that the Chairperson, Students' Senate will prepare the draft of the resolution and circulate it on the mailing list.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 AM, on 15th April, 2018.