

Students' Senate Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur



Meeting Details and Attendance Record

The 6th Senate meeting of the Students' Senate (2009-2010) was held on the 2nd January 2010. It was called to order at 1:25 PM. The attendance record for the senators is -

Post	Name	Attendance
President, Students' Gymkhana	Adarsh Mishra	Present
General Secretary, Cultural	Apoorva Krishna Srivastava	Present
General Secretary, Sports	Shilendra Singh Rajput	Present
General Secretary, S&T	Puneet Singh Rathor	Present
General Secretary, F&M	Naved Siddiqui	Present
Senator, UG Y5	Someshwar Pandey	Absent
Senator, UG Y5	Abhishek Ranjan	Absent*
Senator, UG Y6	Ashish Agrawal	Present
Senator, UG Y6	Kritika Singh	Present
Senator, UG Y6	Utkarsh Rastogi	Present
Senator, UG Y6	Ishan Mahajan	Absent
Senator, UG Y6	Nitish Kumar	Present
Senator, UG Y7	Pranav Gupta	Absent*
Senator, UG Y7	Ashutosh Kumar	Absent*
Senator, UG Y7	Vivek Agrawal	Present
Senator, UG Y7	Nitish Maini	Present
Senator, UG Y7	Jyotish Mishra	Absent*
Senator, UG Y8	Subali Subechha	Present
Senator, UG Y8	Chirag Sidana	Present
Senator, UG Y8	Sambhav Jain	Present
Senator, UG Y8	Aditya Gupta	Absent*
Senator, UG Y8	Tanya Mendiratta	Present
Senator, UG Y8	Sanchit Singhal	Present
Senator, UG Y9	Abhay Jain	Present
Senator, UG Y9	Anurag Dash	Present
Senator, UG Y9	Archit Bansal	Present
Senator, UG Y9	Pratik Moona	Present
Senator, UG Y9	Nirant Ramakuru	Absent
Senator, UG Y9	Sarthak Handa	Present
Senator, UG Y9	Yuvraj Dhillon	Absent
Senator, M. Tech Y9	Kalamkar Sanket Sanjay	Absent
Senator, M. Tech Y9	Manish Shankar	Absent
Senator, M. Tech Y9	Santosh Kumar Burnwal	Present
Senator, M.B.A., M. DES, other prog.(Y9)	Pranjal Goyal	Absent*
Senator, M.Tech Y8	Rohit Kr. Gupta	Present
Senator, M.Tech Y8	Narain C S K	Present
Senator, M.Tech Y8	Pankaj Kumar Agarwal	Present
Senator, M.Sc 2 year (Y8)	Pradyumna Kumar Pradhan	Present
Senator, M.B.A. + M.DES. + other	Kasat Rajeev Chandrakant	Absent
equivalent masters program(Y8)		
Senator, All Phd. Students	Siva Prasad AVS	Absent
Senator, All Phd. Students	Atul Dhar	Absent*
Senator, All Phd. Students	Shyam Kumar	Present
Senator, All Phd. Students	Md. Asfer	Present
Senator, All Phd. Students	Balkrishna Mehta	Absent
Senator, All Phd. Students	Narendra Laxman Gajbhiye	Absent
Senator, All Phd. Students	Abdullah Bin Abu Baker	Absent
Senator, All Phd. Students	Amritesh	Present

1 Announcements and Remarks

The sports secretary informed the senate about the recently concluded Inter-IIT sports meet where IIT Kanpur was ranked 3rd. The Inter-IIT staff meet was also organized in which IIT Kanpur was ranked 2nd. The sports secretary also informed the senate that Josh would be organized after Techkriti this year. The Convener informed the Senate that he and Vivek Agrawal(as the nominee of the President) went to the 1st Inter IIT Gymkhana Summit held in IIT Guwahati. The proposal for a Inter-IIT cultural and technology meet was also discussed there. The next Gymkhana summit is proposed to be held in IIT Kanpur.

2 Action Taken Reports

The action taken reports were not available.

3 Ratification of the minutes of previous Senate Meeting.

The item was deferred to the next senate meeting.

4 Discussion on the constitutional amendment regarding representation of preparatory students in student gymkhana.

The constitutional amendment was passed through a simple majority.

5 Discussion on constitutional amendment regarding student nominees to institute committees.

A discussion was conducted on the senate floor. It was decided that a revised constitutional amendment would be considered for vote in the next senate meeting.

6 Discussion on constitutional amendment to formulate a Gymkhana Planning committee.

A discussion was conducted on the senate floor. It was decided that the constitutional amendment would be considered for vote in the next senate meeting.

7 Presentation of Antaragni, '09 post conduction report.

The post conduction report was presented to the senate and accepted. It was pointed out that there were be 1528 participants.

8 Presentation of Antaragni Finance report.

The item was deferred to the next meeting because of the absence the Antaragni Finance head.

9 Presentation of Techkriti Pre-conduction report.

The report was presented, discussed on the senate floor and accepted by the Senate.

10 Request for reselection of marketing head, Techkriti, '10.

The item was requested to be withdrawn by the Festival coordinator and accepted by the senate.

11 Presentation on the organization of Galaxy.

The item was requested to be withdrawn by the Cultural secretary and accepted by the senate.

12 Proposal for a cash free campus.

The item was discussed briefly in the meeting. The use of ID cards was suggested for maintaining purchase credit. It was pointed out that a similar system is in place in the CSE lounge. It was also discussed whether mess bill payments could be through the same mechanism. The senate agreed to the idea of a cash free campus in general but considered that the intricacies need to be discussed in detail. A committee was formulated with the following members to draft a detailed plan of action for the same.

- Vivek Agarwal (chair)
- Sanchit Singhal
- Prateek
- Sarthak
- Nitish Maini
- Tanya Mendiratta

13 Pre-conduction report of Udghosh.

The sports secretary informed the Students' Senate that the Dean, Students' Affairs and the Games counsellor are not in favour of having Udghosh because of organizational difficulties after Inter-IIT. Further Josh and Varchasva also require significant organization. Considering these factors, it was decided that Udghosh will not be organized for this Gymkhana year.

14 Discussion on the participation of students on AP/warning in extra curricular activities.

The Convener, Students' Senate raised concerns over the growing number of students on Academic Probabtion and warning. The senate agreed that academics is of paramount importance and agreed that constraints need to be placed for students on AP/warning to encourage them to study. It was decided that the Convener will write a leter to the Sports counsellor and the Sports Secretary will talk to the team captains and coaches to get the same implemented.

15 Update on placements and discussion on issues relevant to SPO.

It was pointed out in the senate that the feedback by students of companies is very low. IITB seem to be attracting better companies than IITK and IIT Kgp. The placement figures for various instituted were discussed. The following issues were highlighted-

- Locational Disadvantage of Kanpur.
- IITB resumes seem to be better made than that for IITK students.
- Lack of good communication skills in IITK students.

The SPO also complained of the lack of infrastructure given to the SPO and reported cases where companies could not be accommodated because of infrastructure/ accommodation problems. It was decided that a proposal will be sent to the administration requesting construction of a new Visitor's hostel. It was also decided that a letter be sent to the administration requesting priority to placement procedures. A committee was formulated to find out the inefficiencies in the placement procedure and suggest effective measures for the same. The constitution of the committee was as follows -

- Pratik Vimal
- Apoorva Krishna Srivastava
- Puneet Singh Rathore

- Vivek Agrawal
- Nitish Maini

16 Proposal for a 3 year planning committee for Student Gymakhana.

It was pointed out that a one year term of the Gymkhana creates discontinuity on many fronts. Hence there is a need for a planning commission. A proposal was requested to be floated by Vivek Agarwal in the next senate meeting.

17 Presentation of gymkhana calendar.

The Gymkhana calendar was presented and accepted by the senate. The Gymkhana day was shifted to 1st April so that the organization of Galaxy is taken care of by the current senate.

18 Proposal for installing biogas plants in hostels.

The PoWer group (Promotion of Work Experience and Research) proposed to conduct a survey with CEE. A 3 month timeline was expected for the same. The convener informed the senate that the proposal is in process with the DEAN to get money from the DCF. If that doesn't work out, the senate would look for alternate sources of funding. The concern for safety during the experient was raised.

19 Discussion on plagiarism in academic and research work.

The gymkhana condemned any form of plagiarism in academic or research work. It was suggested that the Convener, Students' Senate sends a letter to the administration for the same and the senators pursue the same with their own batches.

20 Proposal for initiating direct alumni funding for student activities.

The proposal was discussed and seen favourably in the students' senate. It was requested that the same be pursued with the administration.

21 Disucssion on the conduction of Gymkhana General elections.

It was decided that there would be a no preference option for unopposed candidates. There needs to be further discussion on the limitation of the number of people required to campaign for a candidate.

22 Interviews for the post of Antaragni festival coordinators.

The interviews were conducted. The candidates were Yash Sidana, Keshav Agarwal and Abhishek Kanodia. The panel informed that the recommendation of the panel would be posted on the senate list.

23 Questions and Remarks.

There were no questiond and remarks.

24 Any other item with the permission of the chair.

No other item was requested.

The meeting was concluded at 6:00 PM.

Ashish Agrawal Convener, Students' Senate