



Students' Senate (2017-18)
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Meeting of the Students' Senate (2017-18): Attendance Record

Date: 29th July 2017

Total Strength of the Senate: 37
Total number of Senators present: 30
Total number of Senators absent: 7
without notification: 5
with permission: 2

The detailed attendance record is as follows:

S. No.	Name	Post	Status
1	Kunal Kapila	Chairperson, Students' Senate	Present
2	Rutuj Jugade	President, Students' Gymkhana	Present
3	Swapnil Kumar	General Secretary, Media and Culture	Present
4	Nikhil Srivastava	General Secretary, Games and Sports	Present
5	Anvesh Jadon	General Secretary, Science and Technology	Present
6	Shubham Das	Finance Convener, Students' Senate	Present
7	Siddhant Naik	Parliamentarian, Students' Senate	Present
8	Shubham Garg	Senator, BT/BS-MT/MS/MBA Y13	Present
9	Ayushya Agarwal	Senator, BT/BS Y14	Absent
10	Bhanu Garg	Senator, BT/BS Y14	Absent#
11	Mandeep Singh	Senator, BT/BS Y14	Absent
12	Labhansh Agrawal	Senator, BT/BS Y14	Absent
13	Sagar Chand	Senator, BT/BS Y14	Absent#
14	Tony John	Senator, BT/BS Y14	Present
15	Animesh Mishra	Senator, BT/BS Y15	Present
16	Pranav Sao	Senator, BT/BS Y15	Present
17	Pranshu Garg	Senator, BT/BS Y15	Present
18	Pratyush Rai	Senator, BT/BS Y15	Present



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19	Shivam Gupta	Senator, BT/BS Y15	Present
20	Mayank Chauhan	Senator, BT/BS Y15	Present
21	Aayushi Bansal	Senator, BT/BS Y16	Present
22	Abhay Kumar Mishra	Senator, BT/BS Y16	Present
23	Ayush Singh	Senator, BT/BS Y16	Present
24	Mukund Maheshwari	Senator, BT/BS Y16	Present
25	Richeek Awasthi	Senator, BT/BS Y16	Present
26	Yash Mahajan	Senator, BT/BS Y16	Present
27	Arjak Bhattacharjee	Senator, MTech Y16	Absent
28	Chalumuri Sivananda	Senator, MTech Y16	Present
29	Kapil K. Dayma	Senator, MTech Y16	Present
30	Mahendra Kumar	Senator, MTech Y16	Absent
31	S. Vishaal	Senator, MSc/MSc-PhD Y16	Present
32	Ankit Panwar	Senator, MBA/M.Des. Y16	Present
33	Alluru Srinivas	Senator, MSR	Present
34	Aditya Desai	Senator, PhD Y14+	Present
35	Chandra Sekar	Senator, PhD Y14+	Present
36	K. Kishore Kumar	Senator, PhD Y15	Present
37	Manjeer Majumdar	Girls' Representative. PG	Present

* - with Nominee

- with Permission



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2nd Meeting of the Students' Senate (2017-18): Minutes

The 2017-18/2nd Meeting of the Students' Senate was held on 29th July, 2017 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	1. To confirm the Minutes of the following meetings: i. 2016-17/7 th (Special) Meeting ii. 2016-17/10 th Meeting iii. 2016-17/8 th (Special Meeting) iv. Joint Senate 2017 v. 2017-18/1 st (Special) Meeting vi. 2017-18/2 nd (Special) Meeting
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The Chairperson, Students' Senate presented the minutes of the Joint Senate Meeting 2017, 2017-18/1st (Special) Meeting and 2017-18/2nd (Special) Meeting for the consideration of the Senate. The minutes were confirmed without any changes.

The minutes of the 2016-17/7th (Special) Meeting, 2016-17/10th Meeting, 2016-17/8th (Special Meeting) were not presented.

Item No. 2	Announcements and Remarks, if any
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The following announcements and remarks were made:

- The General Secretary, Media and Culture announced that Fresher Night's will be organised on 12th August, 2017.
- The President Students' Gymkhana announced that:
 - The Outreach Cell's Information sessions, conducted during the counseling period of JoSAA 2018 were well received.
 - Bon Voyage was conducted successfully.
 - Batch T-shirts for the graduating batch were sold during the convocation 2017.
 - The tender for Health Insurance Scheme was now out.
 - The functioning of Hall 13 and GH-2 had started.



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- The Gymkhana week was coming up from 30th July to 3rd August.
- The President's nominee to the HCUC made the following announcements and remarks:
 - It was announced that medical details were being collected online.
 - A Health Camp was organised in the Summer, and that another Health Camp will be organised in August.
 - First Aid kit was kept and maintained in all the Halls.

Item No. 3	To note the decisions taken by the Senate over the mailing list
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The Chairperson, Students' Senate presented the decisions taken by the Senate over the mailing list. The Senate ratified the decisions as presented. Further, the Senate directed the President, Students' Gymkhana to update the Students' Senate with the final Hall Allocation Policy.

Item No. 4	To report the actions taken on the decisions of the Students' Senate 2017-18
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The Chairperson, Students' Senate presented the action taken report on the decisions of the Senate taken in 2017-18. The updated ATRs have been attached as appendix to these minutes.

Item No. 5	To consider the election of the members of the following standing committees and councils of the Students' Senate: i) Nominations Committee
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This item was not considered due to paucity of time.

Item No. 6	To consider the report of the committee constituted to review the implementation of New ARC
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Mr. Kunal Kapila, a member of the ARC implementation review committee presented the report for the consideration of the Senate.

The Senate discussed the recommendations of the committee in detail. After due deliberations, the Senate accepted the following with respect to recommendations of the ARC implementation review committee:



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1. Minors:

- a. The Senate accepted in principle that the number of minors offered by the HSS department be increased and decided to forward this to the Academic Wing of the Academic and Research Cell for discussing the various possibilities for new minors.
- b. The Senate decided to defer this for discussion along with proposal for minors, proposed by Mr. Anurag Sahay.
- c. The Senate felt that there should be a criteria of minimum performance index for obtaining a minor and a figure of 6 was proposed.

The Senate also recommended an increase in the total number of minors in the basket and forwarded this to the Academic wing of the Academic and Research Cell.

2. Dual Degree

- a. The Students' Senate nominees to the SUGC remarked that the inclusion of PG rules relevant to dual degree students in the UG manual was already under consideration, the Senate directed the Students' Senate nominees to the SUGC to continue working on this issue.
- b. The Senate directed the UG wing of the Academic and Research Cell to review the Category B programmes of various departments such as CSE , EE etc which do not allow students of other departments to pursue a Masters degree in their department so that the programme becomes more inclusive. for example, the Senate suggested that considering restraints and prerequisites, at least EE and MTH departments should be allowed to pursue masters in CSE.
- c. The Senate decided to forward this to the UG wing of the Academics and Research Cell to review the category B programmes of the following departments:

Aerospace Engineering

Biological Sciences and Bioengineering

Chemistry

and come up with a proposal to the Senate so that template of these departments can be completed in 5 years..

3. Engineering Science programme

This Engineering Science programme has already been removed and hence this recommendation was dropped.



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4. Elective courses

The Senate in principle agreed to the idea of increase in elective seats being offered and directed the Students' Senate nominees to the SUGC to take this up in the committee.

5. Courses of Study

The Senate agreed that the details of all courses being offered at IIT Kanpur should be made available online as soon as possible. The Senate directed the Chairperson, Students' Senate along with the Students' Senate Nominees to SCDMC to take this up.

Item No.7	To consider the Marketing Guidelines for external Sponsorship to the Students' Gymkhana
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The President, Students' Gymkhana presented the Marketing Guidelines for external Sponsorship for the consideration of the Senate. After due deliberations, the Senate accepted the guidelines as presented.

Item No. 8	To consider the post-conduction report of Spectrum 2016
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The General Secretary, Media and Culture presented the post conduction report of Spectrum 16 for the consideration of the Senate. The Students' Senate, after due deliberations, accepted the report as presented. The recommendations mentioned in the report were accepted in principle and the Senate directed the General Secretary to keep these in mind while preparing the pre-conduction report for the next year.

Item No. 9	To consider the post-conduction report of Galaxy 2017
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The General Secretary, Media and Culture presented the post conduction report of Galaxy 17 for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate, after due deliberations, accepted the report as presented. The recommendations mentioned in the report were accepted in principle and the Senate directed the General Secretary to keep these in mind while preparing the pre-conduction report for the next year.

Item No. 10	To consider the post-conduction report of the General Championship, 2016-17
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The President, Students' Gymkhana presented the post conduction report of the General Championship, 2016-17 for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate, after due deliberations, accepted the report as presented. The recommendations mentioned in the report were accepted in principle.

Item No. 11	To consider the end-term report of the Academics and Research Cell
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The Senate decided that this item will be referred to the sub-committee, the specifics of which may be referred from Item no. 37 of the 2017-18/2nd meeting of the Students' Senate.

Item No. 12.	To consider the end-term report of the Community Welfare Cell
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The Senate decided that this item will be referred to the sub-committee, the specifics of which may be referred from Item no. 37 of the 2017-18/2nd meeting of the Students' Senate.

Item No.13.	To consider the post-conduction festival report of Antaragni '16
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This item was not discussed due to paucity of time.

Item No. 14	To consider a proposal regarding Minors
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This item was not discussed due to paucity of time.

Item No. 15	To consider a proposal regarding availability of guest rooms for students on a priority basis
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This item was not discussed due to paucity of time.

Item No. 16	To consider the pre-conduction report of the General Championship, 2017-18
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The President, Students' Gymkhana presented the report for the consideration of the Students' Senate. The Senate, after due deliberations, accepted the report as presented.

The President, Hall of Residence 12 requested for a loan from the Student's Gymkhana for the conduction of General Championship events for the pool Marathas. The Senate agreed to this request in principle and directed the Finance Convener, Students' Senate to decide the specifics related to the above mentioned loan in consultation with the President, Hall of Residence 12 and revert back in the next meeting.

Item No. 17	To consider the pre-conduction report of the Freshers' Inferno
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The General Secretary, Games and Sports Council, presented the report for the consideration of the Senate.

It was noted that the composition of the SGRC and GRC was not mentioned in the pre-conduction report.

The Senate constituted the SGRC with the following members:

- Mr. Kunal Kapila (Chairperson, Students' Senate)
- Mr. Rutuj Jugade (President, Students' Gymkhana)
- Mr. Bhanu Garg (Senator, BT/BS Y14)
- Mr. Ayush Pathak (General Body Member)
- Ms. Srishti Jain (General Body Member)

The Senate constituted the GRC with the following members:

- Prof. P. Shunmugaraj (Dean, Students' Affairs)
- Prof. J. Ramkumar (Associate Dean, Student Activities)
- Mr. Kunal Kapila (Chairperson, Students' Senate)
- Mr. Rutuj Jugade (President, Students' Gymkhana)
- Mr. Subham Das (Finance Convener, Students' Senate)

After due deliberations, the report was accepted with the above mentioned changes.

Item No. 18	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the Games and
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	Sports Council
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The General Secretary, Games and Sports presented the list for the consideration of the Senate. The names were ratified as presented.

Item No. 19	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for teams in the Science and Technology Council
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The General Secretary, Science and Technology presented the list for the consideration of the Senate. The names were ratified as presented.

Item No. 20	To consider for de-ratification, the list of names of students for the Science and Technology Council
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The General Secretary, Science and Technology presented the list for the consideration of the Senate. The names were de-ratified as presented.

Item No. 21	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the post of Overall Coordinators in the Academics and Research Cell
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The Chairperson, Students' Senate presented the list for the consideration of the Senate. The names were ratified as presented.

Item No. 22	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the President's Office
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The President, Students' Gymkhana presented the list for the consideration of the Senate. The names were ratified as presented.

Item No. 23	To note the minutes of the 2017-18/1st and 2017-18/2nd COFA (U) meeting.
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The Chairman, Committee of Festival Affairs (Udghosh) presented the minutes of the 2017-18/1st and 2017-18/2nd meetings of the COFA (U) for the noting of the Senate. The minutes were noted as presented.

Item No. 24	To note the minutes of the 2017-18/1st COFA (T) meeting.
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The Chairman, Committee of Festival Affairs (Techkriti) presented the minutes of the 2017-18/1st and 2017-18/2nd meetings of the COFA (T) for the noting of the Senate. The minutes were noted as presented.

Item No. 25	To consider the post-conduction festival report of Techkriti'17
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This item was not discussed as the report was not submitted.

Item No. 26	To consider for ratification the members for FAC (T) (2017-18)
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The Chairperson, Students' Senate presented the list on behalf of the Festival Coordinator of Techkriti'18 for the consideration of the Senate. The names were ratified as presented.

Item No. 27	To consider the request of the Festival Coordinator, Techkriti to change the dates for Techkriti'18
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The Festival Coordinator, Techkriti'18 presented the request to change the dates of Techkriti'18 from 8th-11th March 2018 to 15th-18th March 2018 for the consideration of the Senate. During the discussion, it was remarked that if the dates of Techkriti'18 are changed as per the request of the Festival Coordinator, the dates of Inferno and Techkriti'18 would have to be swapped, to which the General Secretary, Games and Sports agreed. The Senate, after due deliberations, decided to swap the dates of Techkriti'18 with Inferno.

Item No. 28	To consider the proposal for student representative(s) to DUGC, Department of HSS
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Mr. Pranshu Garg (Senator, BT/BS Y15) presented the proposal for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate, after due deliberations, accepted the proposal and directed the Chairperson, Students' Senate to take this up with the HoD of the HSS department.

Further, the Senate decided that at least one of the two Senate nominees to DUGC of HSS should already be a Senate nominee to the SUGC and asked the Nominations Committee to keep this in mind while finalising the nominations.

Item No. 29	To consider the proposal to waive the summer registration fees for the PhD students who are at their sixth year and so forth
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Ms. Manjeer Majumdar (PG Girls' Representative) presented the proposal for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate, after due deliberations, accepted the proposal in principle and directed the Chairperson, Students' Senate and President, Students' Gymkhana to take this up with the relevant authorities of the institute.

Item No. 30	To consider the proposal to remove the Business Club from the Science and Technology Council and add it as a wing to the Entrepreneurship Cell
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The General Secretary, Science and Technology and the Overall Coordinator, Entrepreneurship Cell presented the proposal for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate accepted the proposal in principle and asked the Overall Coordinator, Entrepreneurship Cell to come up with a tentative timeline of activities they plan to conduct this year under the newly formed business wing.

Further, the Senate directed the Rules and Procedures Committee to come up with changes required in the constitution for the same.

Item No. 31	To consider the proposal to remove the Gymkhana Library from the President's Office and add it to the Media and Culture Council as the Book Club
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The General Secretary, Media and Culture presented the proposal of removing for the Gymkhana Library from the President's Office and adding it to the Media and Culture Council as the Book Club for the consideration of the Senate. The proposal was accepted in principle. The Senate directed the Rules and Procedures Committee to come up with changes required in the constitution for the same.



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Item No. 32	To take cognizance of the issues faced by the students with the institute security and decide the action to be taken thereof
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This item was not discussed due to paucity of time.

Item No. 33	To consider the proposal for an OAT technician
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The General Secretary, Media and Culture presented the proposal for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate, after due deliberations accepted the proposal in principle.

Item No. 34	To take an update on the financial status of Antaragni '16 and to consider the action to be taken thereof .
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This item was not discussed due to paucity of time.

Item No. 35	Questions and Remarks.
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The General Secretary, Media and Culture remarked that the merger of the Films and Media Council and the Cultural Council had not been publicized properly amongst the student community.

A Senator asked for updates on the electricity issue. The Convener, CoSHA and the President, Students' Gymkhana responded that this had been discussed in the CoSHA and various avenues were being explored in this regard.

A Senator asked questions regarding issues with the MEC. The Convener, CoSHA stated that a committee is currently looking into the issue and the issue has also been taken up in the CoSHA.

Any other items with the permission of the Chair.

The following additional items were taken up in the meeting with the permission of the Chair:



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Item No. 36	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for Vox Populi
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The Chairperson, Students' Senate presented the list on behalf of the Chief Editor, Vox Populi for the consideration of the Senate. The names were ratified as presented.

Item No. 37	To consider the idea of streamlining the way in which various routine reports are handled by the Senate
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The Senate felt that routine reports like pre/post-conduction reports of various events and pre/mid/post-term reports of Cells and Office Bearers consume a considerable amount of time. After due deliberations, the Senate decided to form an ad-hoc sub-committee in order to make the process more efficient. The mandate of the committee was to consider the following reports before they are tabled on the floor of Senate:

- End-term reports for Cells
- Pre-conduction and post-conduction report for all General Championship Events
- Pre-Term, Mid-Term and End-Term reports for all Office Bearers

Once the reports have been considered and accepted by the committee, only then would they be presented in the Senate.

The constitution of the sub-committee is as follows:

- Kunal Kapila (Chairperson, Students' Senate) (Convener)
- Rutuj Jugade (President, Students' Gymkhana- *ex-officio*)
- Nikhil Srivastava (General Secretary, Games and Sports - *ex-officio*)
- Anvesh Jadon (General Secretary, Science and Technology - *ex-officio*)
- Swapnil Kumar (General Secretary, Media and Culture - *ex-officio*)
- Subham Das (Finance Convener, Students' Senate - *ex-officio*)
- Bhanu Garg (Senator BT/BS Y14)
- Pranshu Garg (Senator BT/BS Y15)
- Abhay Kumar Mishra (Senator BT/BS Y16)
- Richeek Awasthi (Senator BT/BS Y16)

The Senate believed that this committee would streamline the functioning of the Senate and this committee could be made as a standing committee of the Students' Senate in future.



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The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 AM, 30th July 2017 with a vote of thanks to all the attending members.