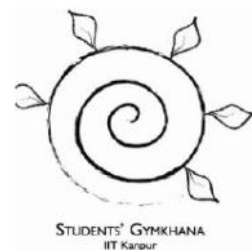




Students' Senate

Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur

Karthik Balasundaram | Convener



Meeting Details and Attendance Record:

The 7th meeting of the Students' Senate (2010-11) was held on 9th January 2011. It was called to order at 3:20pm.

The attendance record of the senators is:

Total: 43

Present: 28

Absent: 15

Absent* (Absent without permission): 2

Sl no	Post	Name	Signature
1	President, Students' Gymkhana	Vivek Agarwal	Present
2	General Secretary, Cultural Council	Rishi Raj Singh	Present
3	General Secretary, Games and Sports Council	Tarun Bhatia	Present
4	General Secretary, Science and Technology Council	Pulkit Agarwal	Present
5	General Secretary, Films and Media Council	Hemant Gupta	Present
6	Convener Students' Senate (Senator, Ph.D)	Karthik Balasundaram	Present
7	Senator, UG Y6 (for students in 5 year program)	Sahil Singhal	Absent
8	Senator, UG Y7	Ashutosh Sharma	Present
9	Senator, UG Y7	Dharmendra Hiranandani	Present
10	Senator, UG Y7	Take Sanket Uttamrao	Present
11	Senator, UG Y7	Pranav Gupta	Present
12	Senator, UG Y7	Prince Arora	Absent
13	Senator, UG Y8	Aditya Gupta	Present
14	Senator, UG Y8	Anurag Agarwal	Present
15	Senator, UG Y8	Chirag Sidana	Absent
16	Senator, UG Y8	Mangalam Tewari	Present
17	Senator, UG Y8	Sanchit Singhal	Present
18	Senator, UG Y8	Shekhar Suman	Present
19	Senator, UG Y9	Abhay Jain	Present
20	Senator, UG Y9	Anirudh Gupta	Present
21	Senator, UG Y9	Ankit Bhutani	Present
22	Senator, UG Y9	Kumar Ritikesh	Present
23	Senator, UG Y9	Kushagra Singh	Present
24	Senator, UG Y9	Pratik Moona	Absent
25	Senator, UG Y9	Yuvraj Dhillon	Present

26	Senator, UG 10	Abhiroop Bhatnagar	Present
27	Senator, UG 10	Aman	Absent
28	Senator, UG 10	Devesh Prakash	Absent
29	Senator, UG 10	Himanshu Pandey	Absent
30	Senator, UG 10	Praneeta Pujari	Present
31	Senator, UG 10	Raghav Khandelwal	Present
32	Senator, UG 10	Swapnil Agarwal	Absent
33	Senator, UG 10	Vibhav Agarwal	Present
34	Senator, M.Tech. 10	Satyam Agarwal	Absent
35	Senator, M.Tech. 10	Anuj Kumar Singh	Absent
36	Senator, M.Tech. 10	Vinod Parmar	Absent
37	Senator, M.Tech. 10	Sandeep Mokashi	Absent
38	Senator, M.Tech. Y9	A.Y.Santosh	Absent
39	Senator, M.Tech. Y9	Ishant Jain	Present
40	Senator, M.Tech. Y9	Nikhilesh Dwivedi	Present
41	Senator, M.tech. Y9*	Vikram Ravi	Absent
42	Senator, Ph.D*	Shyam Kumar	Absent
43	Girl Representative	Swamita Srivastava	Present

1. Ratification of the minutes of the 5th and 6th meeting of Students' Senate 2010-2011

The minutes of the 5th meeting of Students' Senate was not submitted by the Ex-Convener. Hence, the minutes of the 5th and 6th meeting of Students Senate were not ratified.

2. Announcements and Remarks

Convener Students' Senate

Some senators were questioned for not informing the senate about their absence. As per attendance record of senators (including the 7th senate meeting), the following senators were declared not to function as Senators as per constitution:

1. Mr. Shyam Kumar (Senator, Ph.D)
2. Mr. Vikram Ravi (Senator, M.tech, Y9)

The following announcement were made by the Convener Students' Senate on items which were not included in the agenda

1. Cleaning of fountains in front of the Library: The senate accepted the item and decided that SLC nominee and Mr. Abhiroop Bhatnagar will follow up the issue along with Convener.
2. Placing dustbins at various locations in campus: The President Students' Gymkhana informed that a similar proposal was considered by the institute and was rejected for security reasons. The Senate further requested Mr. Ankit Bhutani to form a proposal considering the security issue and present the same to the Senate.
3. Change in timing of 8 am lecture: The President Students' Gymkhana informed that a similar request was made to the DOAA previously and was rejected. There was mixed

response from the Senate regarding the change in timing. Finally, the senate came to a consensus and the proposal was rejected

4. Availability of popular subjects as electives: The President Students' Gymkhana informed that the institute Academic Review Committee has already considered this issue. The President and Convener will inform the ARC members about students' opinion
5. The President Students' Gymkhana informed that SAID was organized on 8th January 2011.

3. Action Taken Report/Status Report of the following committees formed

- Committee to discuss the proposal for using computer software in Gymkhana Elections
The Senate considered the proposal submitted by the Chair. After a detailed deliberation on the report and with the consensus of the Chief Election Officer, the senate decided that the Chair of the committee will provide a demonstration of the system by 14th January after which the CEO will decide whether to use electronic voting system in the Gymkhana Elections 2011.

The Chair of the committee was requested to expunge the comments made in the report regarding the absence of the committee members.

- Committee to discuss the proposal for 24hr food court at SAC
The Chair of the committee informed that negotiations were in process with various vendors. He further informed that about one month time was still required to have a concrete proposal.

- Committee to discuss the proposal of having IITK Student Ambassadors'.
The President Students' Gymkhana informed that the institute has accepted the proposal and has formed an institute level committee. The President Students' Gymkhana would keep the Senate informed about the progress.

- Committee to discuss the Finer Grading Policy
The Senate accepted the proposal. The President Students' Gymkhana informed that the Academic Senate has accepted a grading policy similar to the one proposed by the committee. The Senate dissolved the committee.

- Committee to discuss the rights of mass mailing
The Convener Students' Senate informed that no meeting was held till date.

4. Ratification of Schedule of Elections 2011

The Senate ratified the Schedule with the following changes:

- The senate by vote of hands decided that the campaigning time be changed to 8 am to 11 pm against the proposal of 8 am to 10 pm.
- Envelope voting system was to be incorporated in the proposed electronic voting system.

5. Ratification of Gymkhana Election Rules 2011

The Senate ratified the rules with the following change:

Printed manifestos were allowed against the proposed handwritten manifestos.

6. Ratification of General Secretary Nomination Form(s)

The General Secretary Nomination form(s) were ratified without any change

7. Ratification of Senator Nomination Form

The Senator Nomination form was ratified without any change

8. Ratification of Election Council Members

The CEO could not present the complete list of EC members as certain numbers of posts were vacant. The CEO informed the Senate that renominations were called for the vacant post. The Senate provisionally ratified the list of EC members which would be ratified once the final list is circulated on the Senate mailing list and none of the Senators object to it.

9. Antaragni '10 Conduction Report

The report was presented by the Festival Coordinator. The Festival Coordinator recommended that the event MUN was very successful and a separate Head should be nominated for this event in Antaragni. The Senate unanimously accepted the recommendation and requested the Convener to call for nominations for Head Events, (MUN) at the earliest.

10. Mid-Term Reports of various Councils

The reports of Films and Media council, Science and Technology council and Sports council were presented by the respective General Secretaries. The President Students Gymkhana and The General Secretary, Cultural council informed the Senate that they will present the report of their respective council in the next Senate meeting.

11. Mid-Term Reports of various Standing Committees

The Finance Convener presented the report. The Finance Convener explained the Senate about the budget reallocations made within each council. The Senate accepted the reallocations made. The Finance Convener informed the Senate that VOX POPULI will have its funding of the 3rd edition from the 2011-2012 Gymkhana Budget. The report of COSHA was not presented as COSHA Convener was absent.

12. Presentation of Gymkhana Calendar 2010-11 (II)

The Gymkhana calendar for 2010-11(II) was ratified with the exception of dates of GALAXY-2011. The Senate decided that the dates of GALAXY-2011 be discussed in the COSHA meeting and brought to Senate for ratification.

13. Reporting of the proposed amendments to the Security Manual.

The President Students Gymkhana informed that an Institute level committee is formed for the proposed amendments to Security Manual. The president would keep the Senate informed about the proceedings

14. Reporting of the issue of washer men & associated facilities

The President Students Gymkhana informed that an Institute level committee is formed for the reallocation of washer men. The president would keep the Senate informed about the proceedings

15. Discussion on Departmental Ranking System

The Senate discussed on the proposal for having a departmental ranking system. There was mixed response from the Senators. The Senate formed a 6 member committee to propose a detailed method for the departmental ranking system. The details of the committee members are:

Mr. Salman (Chair)
Mr. Aditya Gupta
Mr. Ankit Bhutani
Mr. Anirudh Gupta
Mr. Sanket Uttamrao
Mr. Sanchit Singhal

The committee was given a duration of one month to present its report.

16. Discussion on the procedures & seating arrangements for 46th Convocation

The Senate accepted the 3 tier system of seating arrangement for the 46th Convocation.

17. Discussion on the proposal for rain water harvesting

The Senate requested Mr. Abhay Jain to present a detailed proposal which would then be presented to the institute.

18. Discussion on the proposal of informing student community of proceedings at senate meetings

The Senate accepted the proposal. The Convener Students Senate will circulate an email to students informing about the forthcoming Senate meeting. The students can contact their respective senators to bring any agenda item(s) to the Senate meeting. The Senate decided that INSIGHT 360 can interview the Convener/President about Senate proceedings.

19. Discussion on proposal to start additional bus services on last day of examinations.

The Senate accepted the proposal with the change that additional bus service be commenced on the day before the mid semester and end semester recess instead of last day of examination.

20. Discussion on the constitutional amendments arising out of proposal for restructuring the Gymkhana

The proposed constitutional amendments for changes in clause(s) 5.04a, 5.05a, 5.06a, 5.07a, 5.08a and introduction of new section 6.6 in chapter 6 of the present constitution were accepted and would be brought for voting in the next Senate meeting.

21. Discussion on the constitutional amendment for election of the Finance Convener along with the Convener Student Senate.

The proposed constitutional amendments for introducing a new clause 3.09 after clause 3.08 in the present constitution were accepted and would be brought for voting in the next Senate meeting.

22. Questions and Remarks.

No questions/remarks were made in the meeting.

23. Any other item with the permission of the chair.

No other agenda item was brought up in the meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Karthik Balasundaram
Convener Students' Senate