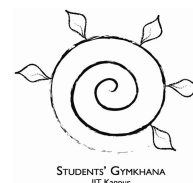




# Students' Senate Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur



## Meeting Details and Attendance Record

The 4th Senate meeting of the Students' Senate (2009-2010) was held on the 13th September 2009. It was called to order at 3:15 PM. The attendance record for the senators is -

Total - 46

Present - 35

Absent - 11

Post	Name	Attendance
President, Students' Gymkhana	Mohit Kumar Jolly	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	Present
Senator, UG Y6	Nitish Kumar	Present
Senator, UG Y7	Pranav Gupta	Present
Senator, UG Y7	Ashutosh Kumar	Present
Senator, UG Y7	Vivek Agrawal	Present
Senator, UG Y7	Nitish Maini	Present
Senator, UG Y7	Jyotish Mishra	Present
Senator, UG Y8	Subali Subechha	Present
Senator, UG Y8	Chirag Sidana	Present
Senator, UG Y8	Sambhav Jain	Present
Senator, UG Y8	Aditya Gupta	Present
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	Present
Senator, UG Y9	Sarthak Handa	Present
Senator, UG Y9	Yuvraj Dhillon	Present
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	Present
Senator, M.Tech Y8	Rohit Kr. Gupta	Present
Senator, M.Tech Y8	Narain C S K	Present
Senator, M.Sc 2 year (Y8)	Pradyumna Kumar Pradhan	Absent
Senator, M.B.A. + M.DES. + other equivalent masters program(Y8)	Kasat Rajeev Chandrakant	Absent
Senator, All Phd. Students	Vivek Modi	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 Announcement and Remarks.**

The convener welcomed the newly elected senators.

The SNT secretary informed the senate that they are conducting Takneek. Details of takneek were reported reported.

The Cultural Secretary informed the senate that Dance Pe chance is to be organised today. Dram eve, Musical Extravaganza will also be organized soon. Dhandia night and teaching and practice session and dhandia night will also be conducted.

Games and Sports Senatary updated the senate that due to rains Varchasv has not been completed till now. He hoped that it would be completed soon.

Films and Media Council informed the senate of the conduction of spectrum. They also informed the senate that a video making competition is being organized in collaboration with DRPG.

The president informed the senate that an open house was conducted by the ARC. A Masti ki patshala would be organized on 5th sep. A online survey in being conducted for the CDSS. The finance convener informed the senate about modifications in budget namely under the miscellaneous heads of the president. Further clarification is being provided by the Finance convener to the administration to get the budget approved.

## **2 Action Taken Reports.**

The action taken reports were presneted by the Secratory Students' Senate.

## **3 Ratification of the minutes of 3rd Senate Meeting.**

Deferred to next meeting

## **4 Ratification of the minutes of 3rd Special Senate Meeting.**

Deferred to next meeting

## **5 Ratification of the minutes of Summer Senate Meeting.**

Deferred to next meeting

## **6 Ratification of the coordinators of Vox-Populi.**

Ishan Mahajan, Saketh, Mohit Sharma and Rashmitha Rao were ratified as the coordinators of Vox-Populi.

## **7 Ratification of events coordinator, E-Cell.**

Ankit Singh was ratified as the events coordinator of E-cell.

## **8 Noting the DUGC/DPGC student nominees.**

The names were still left to be finalized. They would be informed to the senate soon.

## **9 Noting the minutes of COSHA.**

Minutes were noted. They were also requested to be circulated on the senate list.

## **10 Conduction Report of Gymkhana By-elections.**

The report was accepted and the new senators ratified.

## **11 Request to change the dates of Techkriti,'10.**

The date of Techkriti 2010 was changed to 18-21 st February 2010 due to GATE exam.

## **12 Resignation of President, Student Gymkhana**

Mr. Mohit Kumar Jolly has resigned as the President of Students' Gymkhana citing personal reasons and lack of support from the student community. It discussed immediately in the senate. In his statement to the senate, Mr. Jolly mentioned that he had witnessed lack of support in the various initiatives he had started as the President. On being asked if every President would face similar lack of support, he said that anyone who would proceed without any fear or favor would. He said that he does realize this decision of his would affect the functioning of the Students' Gymkhana, however the conditions were too pressing to be overlooked. He said that he would continue to work as a responsible member of Students' Gymkhana, with complete freedom a general body member enjoys.

The students senate accepted the resignation and adjourned the meeting for 15 minutes. The meeting was reconvened and the senate appointed Shilendra Singh Rajput as the interim President, Students' Gymkhana till the mid term elections are conducted. Students' Gymkhana is thankful to the services rendered by Mr. Mohit Kumar Jolly and wishes him good luck in his future endeavors.

## **13 Discussion on constitutional amendment regarding age of election.**

The senate was briefed on the various rules regarding the age of election. It was pointed out that this is not a matter within the purview of the students' senate and the same should be pursued with the administration.

## **14 Discussion on constitutional amendment regarding representation of preparatory students in student gymkhana.**

It was informed to the senate that the preparatory students pay the gymkhana fees hence they are now a part of Students Gymkhana. Preparatory students join in august and hence conduction of By-elections from next year should be taken care of. The Parliamentarian was requested to draft the constitutional amendment for the representation of preparatory students in the Gymkhana. A committee for the same was formed with the Parliamentarian as the chair and Anurag, Pratik and Yuvraj as Members of the committee.

## **15 Discussion on constitutional amendment regarding student nominees to institute committees.**

The constitutional amendment was presented but concerns were raised regarding the confidentiality of issues discussed in the institute committees. It was agreed that the amendment should be made only on issues which are important to the general student community. The amendment would be modified appropriately and put for vote in the next senate meeting.

## **16 Presentation on Inter-IIT Leadership Summit.**

The proposal for Jagriti was circulated earlier on the senate list. IIT Kanpur would initiate the summit and the gymkhana heads of all the IITs would get together in IIT Kanpur from 29th Sep - 1st Oct. The funding for the same would partly come from the Golden Jubilee committee, partly by the Director with a token contribution from the student gymkhana.

## **17 Proposal for improving the ambiance of the academic area.**

The proposal was presented to the Students' Senate. The vision was to keep students in the academic area during day timings. The proposal included setting up of vending machines, lounges and internet access points. The proposal was appreciated and accepted by the Students' senate. It was informed that an online survey would be conducted for the same.

## **18 Discussion on the access of Railway Reservation Counter to students.**

It was informed to the students senate that the facilities meant for campus residents are being misused by outsiders at the Railway reservation counter. It was requested that a suggestion to the administration be

made to check the facilities aren't hogged by outsiders.

## **19 Presentation of Pre-conduction Report of Antaragni, '09.**

The pre conduction report was presented to the students senate. It was pointed out that Casino is being organized despite its organization in Techkriti. The total budget of the festival was around Rs. 54 lakhs. It was requested that the Pre conduction report and the minuted of the FAC be circulated on the students list.

## **20 Discussion on the concerns of the MBA students (participation of Hall 10 in institute activities).**

It was pointed out that the Students' Senate is not the right forum for such a discussion. The convener however advised all the executives to consider Hall 10 in the activities they organize.

## **21 Discussion on the organization of Spectrum.**

The organization of Spectrum was discussed in the senate. It was pointed out that the event was not included in the Gymkhana calendar and that no notice was provided to the senate about its conduction earlier. Such an organization leads to clashes with other events, particularly that of the Cultural Council which were already included in the Gymkhana Calendar. The FMC secretary accepted that it was a mistake that Spectrum was scheduled in this manner. The convenor also suggested that from the next semester the Gymkhana calendar be forwarded to all the hall HECs so that the scheduling of intra hall activities don't clash.

## **22 Proposal for including GE3 as member of Presidential Council.**

It was informed to the senate that NERD is being made a private initiative despite being under the student Gymkhana. The SNT secy was asked to pursue this with the NERD editors. A report for the inclusion of the GE3 under the Presidential council was circulated. It was pointed out that GE3 would be better under the Presidential council as a number of talks and submission of reports could then be done effectively. This was accepted by the Students' Senate. A proposal to move the nature club under the GE3 banner was also suggested by the students senate.

## **23 Discussion on the report of the Academic Review Committee and the consequent report submitted by the President.**

The report had been circulated on the senate list. A discussion ensued on 80 percent attendance being made compulsory. It was conjectured that the faculty feels that in the past few years, students academic involvement in going down. However, it was agreed that the imposition of attendance to be made compulsory is not a good solution. A committee was constituted to come up with alternate solutions to solve the problem. Vivek Agarwal was appointed as the chair of the committee. G. Sai Srinivas Kiran, Aditya Gupta, Yuvraj Dhillon, Prateek Moona were the other members of the committee. The committee was requested to submit its report by Friday.

A concern was also raised regarding the policy of warning being completely removed. It was suggested that this be discussed with the counselling service. It was also opined that the procedure to give these warnings also needs to be changed. The committee constituted to work on the attendance issue was requested to work on preparing a better warning administering mechanism.

## **24 Questions and Remarks.**

No other questions were asked.

## **25 Any other item with the permission of the chair.**

No other items were considered.

The meeting was concluded at 6:35 PM.

Ashish Agrawal

Convener, Students' Senate