

Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur Students' Gymkhana

Date: November 20th, 2006

Draft Minutes of the 5th Meeting of the Students' Senate held on October 30th, 2006 in SAC Conference Room at 9:00 pm.

The Meeting was called to order at 9.10 pm.

Attendance Record: Total: 38 Present: 31 Absent: 7

Designation	Name	Present/Absent
The President, Students' Gymkhana.	Anirudh Harlalka	Present
The General Secretary, Cultural.	Nishant Singh	Present
The General Secretary, Films.	Atul Kumar Ramuka	Present
The General Secretary, Science and Technology.	Saumya Jain	Present
The General Secretary, Games.	Sandeep Shinde	Present
Senator UG (Y2)	Navdeep Bhulli	Present
Senator UG (Y3)	Chirag Mittal	Present
--	Devesh K Agrawal	Absent *
--	Manish Kumar Sultania	Present
--	Sumant Singh	Absent
Senator UG (Y4)	Arvind Kothari	Present
--	Cherian Varkey Mathew	Present
--	Chandan Kumar	Present
--	Rahul Gupta	Present
--	Shobhit Chandra Misra	Present
Senator UG (Y5)	Abhiraj Singh Bhal	Present
--	Amit Kumar Singh	Present
--	C Saipriyadarshan	Present

--	Mrigank Gupta	Present
--	Varun Khaitan	Present
Senator UG (Y6)	Deepanshu Arora	Present
--	Saurabh Moondhra	Present
--	Paritosh Karnatak	Present
--	Aman Dhesi	Present
--	Ripu Singla	Present
Senator MBA+M.Des (Y5)	Jasminder Singh	Present
Senator PhD	Dhiraj Kumar Mahajan	Present
--	Akshay Srivastava	Absent *
--	Tony Jacob	Present
--	Vijyendra Pandey	Absent
--	Prashant Kr Srivastava	Present
--	Prabhat Patel	Present
--	G. Ravikumar	Absent
Senator MTech (Y5)	Pramod Chandra Tiwari	Absent *
--	P T Akhil	Present
--	Nishant Bhatnagar	Absent *
--	Aaditya Agarwal	Present
Senator (GR)	Jyoti Kaushal	Present

* Absent without Permission

Some General Body Members were also present.

Item No. 1 Ratification of Draft Minutes of the 4th Meeting of Students' Senate.

The Draft Minutes of the 4th Meeting of Students' Senate was ratified without change.

Item No. 2 Announcements and Remarks

The Convener, Students' Senate, Tony Jacob informed the Senate that Mr. Ramesh Kumar Sonkar has been elected as the Convener of the PGSAAC in its first meeting held on the 29th of October, 2006.

The Convener, COSHA, Arvind Kothari informed the Senate that the second meeting of the COSHA was held on the 28th of October, 2006. He also informed the Senate that the minutes of the first meeting of COSHA was circulated to the members of the committee as well as members of the Students' Senate.

Item No. 3 Submission of Action Take Reports.

a) Update on price of fruits in the Campus: Anirudh Harlalka.

The President, Students' Gymkhana, Anirudh Harlalka informed the Senate that he along with the Convener, Students' Senate had met the fruit vendors. It was found that a uniform pricing policy is difficult to implement considering the large fluctuations in price of fruits. He promised to conduct regular inspections to ensure that the prices remain reasonable. - **ACTION COMPLETED.**

b) Update on Matching Grant from Institute: Anirudh Harlalka.

The President, Students' Gymkhana, Anirudh Harlalka informed the Senate that Dean, Students' Affairs has requested the detailed budgetary requirement of all the Councils. It was decided that all Executive Councils communicate their requirements to the Finance Committee by the 7th of November. - **ACTION IN PROGRESS.**

c) Proposal for issuing equipment to all students: Sandeep Shinde.

The General Secretary, Games, Sandeep Shinde informed the Senate that the proposal is being prepared by the Games Council and will be presented for discussion along with the midterm review of the budget. - **ACTION PENDING.**

d) Survey regarding the bulk purchase of computers: Saumya Jain.

The General Secretary, S&T, Saumya Jain informed the Senate that survey form has been designed and a mail with the details regarding the survey has been circulated to the students. - **ACTION IN PROGRESS.**

e) Update on the use of Air Coolers: Tony Jacob.

The Convener, Students' Senate, Tony Jacob informed the Senate that the resolution of the Senate has been communicated to the Dean, Students' Affairs and that he is yet to receive a formal response. - **ACTION IN PROGRESS.**

f) Status of Minimum Wage Implementation: Tony Jacob.

The Convener, Students' Senate, Tony Jacob informed the Senate that meetings are scheduled in various Halls for the Minimum Wage Committee to interact with the residents and make them aware of the problems faced in regard to the implementation of minimum wages. - **ACTION IN PROGRESS.**

g) Proposal for maintaining study material in Book Club: Arvind Kothari.

Senator Arvind Kothari informed the Senate that the proposal has not been finalized and will be made available for discussion in the subsequent meeting of the Students' Senate. – **ACTION PENDING.**

Item No. 4 Ratification of Chief Security Officers for Antaragni 2006.

The General Secretary, Cultural, Nishant Singh proposed the names of Mr. Arpit Srivastava and Mr. Sumeet Kumar as the Chief Security Officers for Antaragni 2006. He also proposed the names of the members of the Security Team and the STF (attached as **AT1**). The Senate unanimously ratified the proposed names. Members felt the need for an expansion of the STF, especially with girl members. The General Secretary promised to look into the matter and expand the team suitably.

Item No. 5 Briefing about the preparations for Antaragni 2006.

The General Secretary, Cultural, Nishant Singh briefed the Senate regarding the preparations and the events planned for Antaragni 2006. He informed the Senate that about 60-70 colleges are expected to participate in Antaragni 2006 with about 1200 participants from these colleges. A highlight of the festival will be 'India Inspired' with the Right to Information Act as its theme. A national essay competition 'Cut the Tape' is being organized with a prize money of Rs. 25,000/-. A panel discussion with the participation of eminent personalities including Anna Hazare, Aruna Roy, Madhu Bhaduri, Sandeep Pandey and Vinod Sudheer will be covered by the national media including NDTV. The event will also include televised messages from eminent personalities including J. S. Verma, Prabhat Kumar, Kiran Bedi and Vinod Dua.

The opening ceremony will include performances by Pandit Viswa Mohan Bhat, Nerella Venu Madhav and Vikram Hazra followed by the prelims for 'Synchronicity'. The band Parikrama will also be part of the 'Synchronicity'. Other highlights include 'Kavi Sammelan' and 'Karaoke'. The professional night scheduled for the 4th of November will include performances by Uphoria and Bandish. MTV is also expected to cover several events at the festival.

The members enquired whether the band Jal was part of the planned events. The General Secretary clarified that the band was initially considered but is not part of the final schedule. He also informed the Senate that detailed security plans are being drawn up by the Security Team with the help of SIS and faculty members to prevent the occurrence of any untoward incident.

Item No. 6 Discussion on the inconvenience caused by delay in distribution of Railway Concession Vouchers – Senators Ripu Singla and Saurabh Moondhra.

Senators Ripu Singla and Saurabh Moondhra briefed the Senate regarding the inconvenience faced by the students due to the delay in the distribution of Railway Concession Vouchers. The Convener, Students' Senate informed the Senate that he had a discussion with the Dean, Students' Affairs regarding the issue and that the Dean has promised to address the concerns. It was also pointed out by a few members of the Senate that the reservations can be made without the vouchers and the concession can be obtained when the vouchers are available.

Item No. 7 Discussion on the need to review the rules and procedures for Gymkhana Elections – Senator Tony Jacob.

The Convener, Students' Senate, Tony Jacob briefed the Senate regarding the problems that have resulted in the past due to the lack of clarity of the rules and procedures for Gymkhana Elections. It was suggested that the Parliamentarian review the same and propose appropriate changes to be discussed in the subsequent meetings of the Senate.

Item No. 8 Discussion on the need to review the newly amended dates for Gymkhana Elections – Senator Tony Jacob.

The Convener, Students' Senate, Tony Jacob briefed the Senate regarding the difficulties faced in the smooth functioning of the Senate and the Executive Councils due to the amended dates of the Gymkhana Elections. The Senate in principle agreed to the proposal to revert to the earlier dates to solve the problem. It was decided that the Parliamentarian will study the need amendments to be discussed in the subsequent meetings of the Senate.

Item No. 9 Discussion on the need to have attendance requirements for Standing Committees of the Senate and Senate Nominees to Institute Committees – Senator Tony Jacob.

The Convener, Students' Senate, Tony Jacob proposed to have attendance requirements for the members of the Standing Committees and for the Senate Nominees to various Institute Committees. The Senate agreed to the proposal in principle and directed the Parliamentarian to formulate the needed amendments to the Constitution.

Item No. 10 Questions and Remarks.

In response to the query from a few members the President, Students' Gymkhana, Anirudh Harlalka requested the executive councils to submit the space requirements to be compiled and submitted to the institute administration for approval.

A few Senators enquired regarding the possibility of the CSE Canteen to function for 24 hours. The Convener, Students' Senate, Tony Jacob promised to look into the matter.

Senator Rahul Gupta enquired regarding the legality of the Banners put up by various political parties at the SAC Corner. The Convener, Students' Senate, Tony Jacob promised to make more information available regarding the issue.

Item No. 11 Any other item with the permission of the chair.

The General Secretary, Games, Sandeep Shinde informed the Senate that students of the Department of Civil Engineering and the Department of Material Science and Metallurgical Engineering find it difficult to attend the Inter IIT Sports Meet due to their academic requirements during the vacations. It was decided to forward a proposal to SUGC to resolve the issue. It was also decided to work out a solution for the present year in consultation with the Convener, DUGC and the Dean, Students' Affairs.

The renovation of the SAC Conference Room with Air Conditioning and Projection System was considered. Several members suggested the addition of various state of

the art technologies to improve the usability of the Conference Room. It was decided that the suggestions be first discussed on the Senate mailing list and a complete proposal be formulated for discussion in the Senate.

At this point the meeting was adjourned. **The meeting concluded at 11.05 pm.**

Tony Jacob,
Convener, Students' Senate.

CC: Director, All Faculty Counselors
All Senators, All General Body Members

AT1

**Students' Gymkhana, IIT Kanpur
Cultural Council**

Security Team, Antaragni 2006

Principal Security Officers

Sujeet Kumar, Deepesh Hiran, Mayank Jain, Amar Kumar Saroj, Abhinav Rishi, Jai Kishan Verma, Krishna Pal Singh Rathore, Hans Kumar Yadav, Prashant Yadav, Ankit Rathore, Rahul Jha, V. Bhanu Chandra, Tarun Baloch, Sudeep Mehrotra, Ashish Vashishtha, Abhay Pratap Singh, Abhishek Gupta, Gaurav Singh, Rakshit Kachhal, Vivek Gaur Vats, Ajay Singh.

Senior Security Officers

Pankaj Rathi, Avinash Dixit, Ajay Kumar, Mohit Agarwal, Abhishek Raj, Abhishek Singh, Rang Bihari, Vijay Kumar Singh, Nipun Jain, Kshitij Sharma, Ajit Kumar, Amit Pratap Singh, Pankaj Sachan, Satendra Singh, Akhilesh Kr. Atul, Shiv Kumar Seth, Dhananjai Chitlangia, Rahul Kamaujia, Vishal Mittal, Umesh Singh, Chain Roop Doshi, Prateek Kumar, Sushil Mohan Ratnakar, Tushar, Ravi Kumar, Pramod Tiwari, Nikhil Dharwadkar, Abhishek Kumar Singh, Deepak Sharma, Kartik S.

Security Officers

Someshwar Pandey, Gunjan Srivastava, Sumit Kumar, Yashvendra Singh, Rahul Vimal, Nishant Tripathi, Rahul Firoda, Mudit Jain, K. Vijeyender Reddy, Mohit Sharma, Gopi Srinath, Varun Mittal.

STF, Antaragni 2006

Anirudh Harlalka, Atul Ramuka, Sandeep Shinde, Saumya Jain, Nishant Singh, Abhijeet Bagri, Raghav Rastogi, Puneet Gupta, Tanmaya Joshi, Soumabh Sen, Saurabh Khanna, Mayank Mandava, D. N. Srinath, G. Ravi Kumar, Anand Kriti, Pankaj Gupta, Shiv Narayan Singh, Nishant Tripathi, Brij Bhushan, Tony Jacob.