

### Students' Senate Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur



### Meeting Details and Attendance Record

The 1st meeting of the Students' Senate (2009-2010) was held on the 20th of March 2009. It was called to order at 8:45 PM. The attendance record for the 2009-2010 senators is -

Total - 43

Present - 33

Absent - 10

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 Y4	Suraj Kr. Singh	Present
Senator, UG Y5	Someshwar Pandey	Present
Senator, UG Y5	Abhishek Ranjan	Absent*
Senator, UG Y5	Amit Kr. Singh	Absent*
Senator, UG Y5	Shashi Kant Kumawant	Present
Senator, UG Y5	Samarth Verma	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, M.Tech Y8	Rohit Kr. Gupta	Present
Senator, M.Tech Y8	Narain C S K	Absent
Senator, M.Tech Y7	Kumar Malayaz	Absent*
Senator, M.Tech Y7	Prabhat Ranjan	Absent
Senator, M.Tech Y7	Abhishek Tiwari	Absent
Senator, M.Sc 2 year (Y8)	Pradyumna Kumar Pradhan	Present
Senator, M.B.A. + M.DES. + other	Vikram Agarwal	Absent
equivalent masters program(Y7)		_
Senator, M.B.A. + M.DES. + other	Kasat Rajeev Chandrakant	Present
equivalent masters program(Y8)		-
Senator, All Phd. Students	Vivek Modi	Present
Senator, All Phd. Students	Atul Dhar	Present
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	Present
Senator, All Phd. Students	Siva Prasad AVS	Absent*
Senator, All Phd. Students	Amritesh	Present

# 1 Ratification of minutes of Joint senate meeting of the Students' senate (2008-2009 and 2009-2010).

The minutes of the Joint Senate meeting were put up on the floor of the senate and ratified.

#### 2 Announcements and Remarks

The President made an announcement that the President's Hour has been started and it is being organised from 9-10 PM Monday to Friday.

#### 3 Election of the Parliamentarian, Students Senate.

The election of the Parliamentarian was conducted and Mr. Nitish Kumar was elected with a simple majority.

#### 4 Election of the Finance Convener, Students Senate.

The election of the Finance Convener was conducted and Mr. Vivek Agarwal was elected with a simple majority.

#### 5 Ratification of club coordinators of Cultural Council.

The coordinators of the Cultural Council as mentioned in the agenda and proposed by the Cultural Secretary were ratified.

#### 6 Ratification of club coordinators of Presidential Council.

The coordinators of the Presidential Council as mentioned in the agenda and proposed by the President, Student Gymkhana were ratified.

## 7 Ratification of club coordinators of Science and Technology Council.

The name of Mr. Agraz Gupta was removed from ratification since he did not satisfy the CPI criterion. All the other names were ratified.

#### 8 Ratification of club coordinators of Films and Media Council.

The names of the photography club coordinators Mr. Rohit Ranjan and Mr. Atul Sharma were removed from ratification since they did not satisfy the CPI criterion. The VOX editors were not ratified considering the objections raised. All the other names were ratified.

## 9 Ratification of Tech cell executives, Science and Technology Council.

The names were ratified as in the agenda and presented by the General Secretary, Science and Technology Council.

#### 10 Ratification of Student Liasion Officers.

The names of Anurag Sujania and Kirtimaan Mishra were ratified as mentioned in the agenda.

### 11 Ratification of Webmasters, Students' Gymkhana.

The names of tkarsh Shukla and Shekhar Suman were ratified as menitioned in the agenda.

#### 12 Ratification of Coordinators, Antaragni '09.

The name of Kushagra Dwivedi was not ratified for he did not satisfy the CPI criterion. All the other names were ratified.

#### 13 Ratification of dates, Antaragni '09

The dates 22-25 October, 2009 were proposed and ratified for Antaragni 2009.

#### 14 Ratification of dates, Takneek '09.

The dates 18-20 September, 2009 were proposed and ratified for Takneek 2009.

#### 15 Discussion on the Proposal for introducing skating as a CPA

The proposal was put forward on the senate floor. The senators opined on it and accepted the idea of introducing skating as a CPA. The administration and funding of Skating as a CPA activity would however not be the responsibility of the student gymkhana. It was decided that the Skating club would continue to run under the Student Gymkhana.

#### 16 Presentation of required Security arrangements for Galaxy '09

The senate was informed of the unavailability of the galaxy coordinators. The President, Student Gymkhana on conversing with them informed the senate that the required security arrangements and the festival details would be mailed to the senate mailing list by the morning on 21st March 2009.

#### 17 Proposal on the organisation of Udghosh '09

The senate was informed that it might not be possible to organise Udghosh the next semester. Because of the Inter IIT aquatics and sports meet organising Udghosh in the 2009-2010 odd semester would risk the facilities of the institute for the Inter-IIT sports championship. The senators communicated the importance of Udghosh in preparing the institute team for Inter-IIT. Alternate arrangements were proposed for this. Senate finally constituted a committee to look into the organisation of Udghosh for this year. The members of the committee -

- Shilendra Singh Rajput Chair
- Gaurav K. Singh
- Vivek Agarwal
- Pradyuman
- Mohit Kumar Jolly

The committee was asked to submit a report in a week's time.

### 18 Presentation of end- term report of Techkriti '09

The end term report was presented and accepted by the Students' Senate.

### 19 Presentation of end- term report of Megabucks '09

The end term report was presented and accepted by the Students' Senate.

#### 20 Presentation of finance report, Antaragni '08

The Antaragni, '08 finance report was presented in the senate and opined on. Concerns were raised regarding the pending payments of some of the sponsors and the resulting current deficit. Concerns were also raised on the transfer of money from the Megabucks to Antragni account. A committee was constituted to look into the details and come up with its report by 30th March 2009. The members of the committee -

- Puneet Pandey
- Vivek Agarwal(Chair)
- Ashish Agarwal
- M.K.Jolly
- Pranay Agarwal

#### 21 Presentation of report on Hawkers in front of the Skating Ring

The report was presented and accepted with a note that a concrete floor must be avoided for the location. Further the hawkers should not be moved from their present location.

## 22 Election of the members for the various standing committees of the students senate.

Elections were conducted for the standing committee of the Student's Senate and the following senators were elected.

- Emergency Committee :
  - Utkarsh Rastogi
  - Suraj Kumar Singh
  - Shashi Kant
  - Jvotish Mishra
  - Sambhav Jain
  - Amritesh
  - Rohit Gupta
  - Md. Asfer
  - Pradyuman
  - Kritika Singh
- Finance Committee
  - Pradyuman
  - Pranav Gupta
- Steering Committee
  - Chirag Sidana
  - Atul Dhar
- Rules and Procedures Committee
  - Tanya Mendiratta
  - Narendra Laxman
- Council of Student Hall Affairs
  - Nitish Maini (Convener)
  - Aditya Gupta
  - Ishan Agarwal
- UGSAAC

- Utkarsh Rastogi
- Kritika Singh
- PGSAAC
  - Rajeev Chandrakant
  - Rohit Gupta
- Heal Center Committee
  - Subali Subechha
- Nominations Committee
  - Sanchit Singhal
  - Kasat Rajeev Chandrakant

# 23 Presentation on the Guidelines of the Techno-Entrepreneurship festival, IIT Kanpur

The senate was briefed of the currrent structure of the Gymkhana festivals as approved in the constitutional amendment ratified in the 10th Senate Meeting. The report of the committee constituted to work out the modaities of the festival was placed on the floor of the senate. A comment on the report given by one of the committee members was pointed out in the senate - 'The theme should be a Technical and Entrepreneurship festival and not a Techno-entrepreneurship festival'. Upon the presentation of the report, the convener structured the discussion into two parts,

- Structure of the festival
- Name of the festival

Questions were raised regarding the details of events in the festival and it was proposed that they be left for the festival team to decide. An alternate heirarchy was proposed where the festival would have a post of a overall festival coordinator and two posts of festival coordinators for the corresponding Entrepreneurial and Technology aspects. It was opined that this would lead to a better coverage of both the aspects. However, it was realised that this would lead to unnecessary parallelism in the festival and clashes in the core team. It was also commented that the festival should be a single entity and not two entities running together. The final decision on this issue was left for the interviewing panel to decide.

The discussion on the name started with comments on the brand value of Techkriti and the challenges the team would face in publicity, attracting participants and generatig sponsorship if a new name is opted for. However, it was also pointed out that the any one of the existing names would lead to a bias in the festival. It was also accepted that there would be challenges in the short run for the organising team but they would be overcomed in the long run. It was pointed out that it would be difficult to get business students considering the current brand image and name 'Techkriti'. It was opined that one of the existing names does fully justify the theme and coverage of a technical and entrepreneurship festival. It was also pointed out that it would be comparitively easier to face these challenges in the year of the Golden Jubilee and mark a new beginning than otherwise. All these issues were debated on with several rounds of arguments in the senate. The convener finally asked if there were any new comments/points. The agenda was then put to vote. The senators were asked if they desired for a closed door vote / closed ballot vote and none of the senators requested so. The motion of a new name was put to vote then and ratified with a clear majority.

## 24 Presentation of Hall Allocation Report for the Academic Year 2009-10

The Hall Allocation Policy was presented by the President, Student Gymkhana. There were concerns raised that the Y7 UG batch needed single rooms and that Y8 UG batch would miss interacting with a junior batch in Hall 9. An alternate policy was proposed for Y7 students where they would be split into 65, 60, 72 and 279 for Hall 2,3, 5 and 9 respectively. The senators and general boody members present opined on the merits and demerits of the policies. The policy proposed by the President was put to vote and passed with a clear majority.

### 25 Questions and Remarks.

There were no questions.

## 26 Any other item with the permission of the chair.

No further items were considered. Ashish Agrawal Convener, Students' Senate