**Minutes: 5th Meeting of the Students’ Senate**

**The 2016-17/5th Meeting of the Students’ Senate was held on Friday, 23rd September, 2016 in the Senate Hall, SAC. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson, Students’ Senate at 08:30 PM.**

The following agenda items were taken up for consideration.

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| **Item No. 1** | To confirm the Minutes of the following meetings:   1. Joint Meeting 2016 2. 2016-17/1st Meeting 3. 2016-17/1st Special Meeting 4. 2016-17/2nd Special Meeting 5. 2016-17/2nd Meeting 6. 2016-17/3rd Meeting |

This item was deferred for consideration in the next meeting.

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| **Item No. 2** | Announcements and Remarks, if any |

No announcements were admitted by the Chairperson.

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| **Item No. 3** | To note the decisions taken by the Students’ Senate over the mailing list since the last meeting |

Th Students’ Senate had taken the following decisions over its mailing list:

1. The minutes of the 1st Emergency Senate Meeting were confirmed.
2. A revised post conduction report of Fresher's Inferno ‘16 was accepted.

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| **Item No. 4** | To report the actions taken on the decisions of the Senate |

This item was deferred for consideration in the next Senate meeting.

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| **Item No. 5** | To consider the election of a member to the following Standing Committee of the Students’ Senate:   1. Finance Committee |

Elections were conducted for a member of the Finance Committee. The Senate elected Mr. Karthik Satya Sai Korada (12359) for the vacant position.

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| **Item No. 6** | To consider the Mid-Term report of Cultural Council and charge handover to General Secretary, Cultural |

Mayank Jain mentioned that he forgot to mention FmC council in the acknowledgements, he was instructed to make the changes and send the report again on the mailing list.

The Senate appreciates the effort of Mayank Jain.

The following recommendations were accepted:

1. New events have seen a better response from the campus community, hence new events must be organised on regular basis to attract better participation avenues for the council.
2. There is a pressing need for the website of the cultural council so work should be initiated for the same as soon as possible.

The charge handover was done and the Senate welcomed Vijeta Anand as the General Secretary Cultural Council.

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| **Item No. 7** | To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for some of the positions in the Core Team of Academics and Research Cell |

The Chairperson presented the names for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate accepted the names as presented.

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| **Item No. 8** | To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the position of Student Representatives to the DUGCs and DPGCs |

The Chairperson presented both the lists for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate accepted both the lists as presented.

The Senate also noted the lack of nominations for DPGC and asked the PG senators to spread the word among the batch mates.

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| **Item No. 9** | To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for some positions in the Core Team of Films and Media Council |

The General Secretary, Films and Media Council presented the names for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate accepted all but the names of the coordinators of the sound club as it is yet to be formed.

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| **Item No. 10** | To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the position of Overall Managers, Spectrum '16 |

The General Secretary, Films and Media Council presented the names for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate accepted the names as presented.

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| **Item No. 11** | To consider the post-conduction report of Techkriti '16 |

This item was deferred for consideration till the next Senate Meeting.

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| **Item No. 12** | To consider for ratification, the dates for Techkriti ‘17 |

The Senate ratified the dates as presented.

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| **Item No. 13** | To consider an update and subsequent work required on Gymkhana sponsorship proposal |

Clarification was asked regarding the various clubs if they will fall under the gymkhana sponsorship deal. Clarification was also asked regarding the uncertainty in the sponsorship deals. A need of a higher level of authority was also identified.

It was noted that proper steps to be taken so that the festivals do not get affected.

It was pointed out that some clause should be put so that if some company backs out then proper steps should be taken against the company.

It was also pointed out that some care should be ensured so that the companies do not interfere with the functioning of the Gymkhana

The President Students’ Gymkhana will make a proposal and present it to the Senate.

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| **Item No. 14** | To consider a proposal regarding change in the structure of Radio FM 90.4 |

Clarification was asked about the working of the club as an independent club. The name of the club was not decided. The Senate sent the report to the RPC.

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| **Item No. 15** | To consider the Pre-Conduction report for Spectrum '16 |

The General Secretary, Films and Media Council presented the report for the consideration of the Senate. The following points came up from the discussion that followed.

Clarification was asked regarding the Veeras participation. Mayank addressed them

A change was pointed out in the number of pools. The number of pools are five instead of four.

It was pointed out that the Finance convener to be a part of the GRC replacing the faculty advisor.

The Senate accepted the report with the following changes.

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| **Item No. 16** | To consider for ratification the dates for IITK-MUN organized by Antaragni '16 |

The Senate ratified the dates as presented.

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| **Item No. 17** | To discuss a proposal for increasing capacity of outside participants for Antaragni '16 |

The Festival Coordinator presented the report for the consideration of the Senate.

Some clarification was asked regarding the overcrowding as a result of increase in the participation. The Festival Coordinator addressed the issue.

The accommodation numbers were asked to remove as there were several inconsistencies in the same.

The Senate accepted the report with the above changes.

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| **Item No. 18** | To discuss a proposal for open-fest model for Antaragni '16 |

The Festival Coordinator presented the report for the consideration of the Senate.

In the discussion that followed, the following points were raised.

Some clarification was asked regarding the delay in uploading the proposal.

Doubts were raised on the safety of people staying in the hotels.

A suggestion was added to increase the caution money for single day participants.

The issue of someone signing on behalf of some other student was raised.

The fixed number for the extra participants to be included in the proposal.

The timings for the single day participation to be fixed.

The Senate accepted the proposal with the above changes.

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| **Item No. 19** | To consider a proposal for Semester Leave for research/internships/entrepreneurship activities |

Mr Kunal Kapila, SUGC Student Nominee presented the proposal for the consideration of the Senate.

In the discussion that followed, it was noted that the point of the limit of 30% to be added in the document. It was also decided that a last date for the application of the temporary leave should not be included. A separate clause was proposed to be added instead.

The Senate accepted the proposal with the above changes.

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| **Item No. 20** | To consider a proposal by the Dean of Academic Affairs regarding a change in pattern of the convocation gowns |

The Chairperson presented the proposal for the consideration of the Senate. A subcommittee was formed to look into the technicalities and the implementation of the same. The Members of the subcommittee are:

* Vijeta Anand (13785)
* Mayank Jain (13398)
* Karthik Satya Sai Korada (12359) (Convener)

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| **Item No. 21** | To reconsider the ban on cultural activities imposed on the residents of Hall of Residence II |

The Senate accepted the appeal and directed it to the Academic Senate.

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| **Item No. 22** | To consider a proposal to conduct a PhD critical survey |

The Senate identified the need to conduct a PhD survey. A subcommittee is formed for the same. Members of the subcommittee are:

* Mayank Varshney (14379) (Convener)
* V Srinivasan
* Aditya Desai (14101264)
* Balbir Kumar Pandey (15103265)
* Lubhani Mishra

One more general body member to be included in the subcommittee and to be decided over the mailing list.

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| **Item No. 23** | To consider the revised Gymkhana Calendar for the 2016-17 session |

The President Students’ Gymkhana presented the revised Gymkhana Calendar for the consideration of the Senate. In the discussion that followed, the following changes were made.

The date of General Elections were shifted one week later due to students doing late registration being unable to participate in the General Elections.

An extensive discussion followed regarding the shift of date of galaxy. Several points were raised for the clashes with the Dance Extravaganza, Music Extravaganza, etc. All of them were decided to shift to the month of April. In the discussion that followed, it was decided that two weeks of time is necessary for the students to prepare for the Mid Semester Examinations. Taking note of that, it was decided that the date of Galaxy be shifted one week earlier to accommodate the lack of time to study for the Mid Semester Examinations.

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| **Item No. 24** | To consider the updated report of the committee constituted to recommend solutions for the financial deficit in Antaragni '15 |

This item was deferred for consideration in the next Senate meeting.

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| **Item No. 25** | To consider an issue pertaining to the appointment of a faculty member to the FAC-A |

This item was deferred for consideration in the next Senate meeting.

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| **Item No. 26** | To consider a proposal to restructure the SSAC |

This item was deferred for consideration in the next Senate meeting.

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| **Item No. 27** | To consider a proposal to increase Convocation prizes and representation in the SUGC |

This item was deferred for consideration in the next Senate meeting.

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| **Item No. 28** | To consider a proposal for naming the Students' Lounge after Dr. Kalam |

This item was deferred for consideration in the next Senate meeting.

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| **Item No. 29** | To consider the post conduction report of Mid-Term Election 2016-17 |

This item was deferred for consideration in the next Senate meeting.

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| **Item No. 30** | To consider a proposal regarding Facebook campaigning and video manifestos for Students' Gymkhana Elections |

This item was deferred for consideration in the next Senate meeting.

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| **Item No. 31** | To consider the post-conduction report of Fresher Night '16 |

The General Secretary, Films and Media Council presented the report for the consideration of the Senate. The following recommendations were accepted.

1. The Scripts for HSS should be verified by all the respective authorities at least 3 days prior to the event
2. As has been seen for the past many years, ELS participants often face unusual contempt from the crowd, hence my recommendation would be to explore better alternatives than anchoring for the club
3. A full stage rehearsal should happen a day before the event for better management
4. All the teasers and promotional videos to be showcased in the fresher’s night should be submitted to the organizers before the full stage rehearsal otherwise it should not be allowed to be screened on fresher’s night.

The Senate accepted the report.

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| **Item No. 32** | To consider a draft of the Appendix C to the Constitution (Constitution of the CoSHA ) |

This item was deferred for consideration in the next Senate meeting.

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| **Item No. 33** | Questions and Remarks, if any |

Mayank Jain pointed out that care should be taken for incidents in which ornaments are lost in the Fresher’s night and Treasure hunt.

A question was asked about how the PG senators can reach out the PG students. The Chairperson cleared the doubt by telling about the mailing lists.

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|  | Any other item, with the permission of the Chair. |

**The meeting was adjourned at 12:48 AM the next day.**