**Minutes: 3rd Special Meeting of the Students’ Senate, 10th September, 2014**

**The 2014-15/3rd (Special) Meeting of the Students’ Senate (2014-15) was held on Wednesday, 10th September, 2014 in the Senate Hall, New SAC. It was called to order by the Chairperson, Students’ Senate at 9:00 PM.**

The Agenda items were taken up for consideration.

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| **Item No. 1** | To confirm the Minutes of the following meetings:1. 2014-15/4th Meeting
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The Minutes of the Meeting had been circulated by the Chairperson, Students’ Senate before the Meeting.

The Senate confirmed the Minutes with no changes.

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

The following announcements were admitted by the Chairperson:

* The General Secretary, Games and Sports Council announced that:
	+ A Golf Workshop was organized by the Council outside the Institute for several students.
	+ A Teacher’s Day function was organized for all Coaches and PE Section Staff by the Council.
	+ The 15 students of the Shooting Hobby Group participated in the Kanpur District Shooting Championship and won the Overall Championship for IIT Kanpur.
	+ The Council had initiated a “Player of the Month” campaign on the social media websites to promote good players.
* The General Secretary, Science and Technology Council announced Takneek was organized from 28th August, 2014 to 31st August, 2014. However, since some pools have filed complaints to the GRC, the post-conduction report of Takneek shall come after the GRC proceedings are over.
* The General Secretary, Films and Media Council announced that a photography exhibition in collaboration with the Society of Photographers, Kanpur was organized by the Photography Club. He further announced that this was the first such exhibition held in collaboration with professionals.

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

The Senate noted the following decisions taken over the mailing list since the last meeting:

* The Senate accepted the request of the Festival Coordinator, Techkriti’15 to expand his Core Team by adding a Head, Marketing.
* The Senate accepted the request that re-nominations be called for posts of student members in DUGC/DPGCs for which no nominations were received during elections.

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| **Item No. 4** | To note the results of the By-Election’14, and to ratify the induction of the new Senators. |

The Senate noted the results of the By-Elections’14, and ratified the induction of the following new Senators to the Senate:

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| Senator, UG Y14 | Arshil Abbas | 14137 |
| Ashutosh Kumar | 14149 |
| Dhruv Bhanot | 14221 |
| Gaurav Seth | 14242 |
| Hari Shankar | 14261 |
| Mayank Varshney | 14379 |
| Nikhil Bansal | 14424 |
| Pooja Yadav | 14469 |
| Senator, UG Y11 | Rishikesh Mishra | 11601 |
| Senator, PhD | Javed Akhtar | 14104267 |
| Senator, MBA+MDes+Other Equivalent Programmes Y14 | Himesh Anand | 14125016 |
| Senator, MTech Y14 | Gaurav Kumar | 14111011 |
| Shrishti Gautam | 14114029 |
| Yajur Kumar | 14101062 |

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| **Item No. 5** | To consider the post-conduction report of the By-Elections’14. |

The Chief Election Officer was unable to attend the meeting due to illness. Ayush Pathak (13185), a member of the Election Council, presented the report to the Senate on his behalf.

The Senate accepted the report of the By-Elections’14 as presented. In discussing the recommendations of the report, the Senate decided to constitute a committee to look into the paperless mechanism that was used in the By-Elections’14 and to report to the Senate regarding methods to make the mechanism more secure. The committee was constituted with the following members:

* Shivendu Bhushan (Convener; General Secretary, Science and Technology Council)
* Rohan Bansal (Member; Chief Election Officer, Students’ Gymkhana)
* Srijan Shetty (Member; General Body Member)
* Harpreet Singh (Member; Senator, UG Y13)
* Vedant Goenka (Member; General Body Member)

The committee was directed to submit its report by October.

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| **Item No. 6** | To note the results of the Elections held for the post of student members in the DUGCs/DPGCs of various departments. |

The Senate noted the results of the Elections as follows:

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| **Student Members, Department Postgraduate Committee** |
| Electrical Engineering (MTech) | Sonu Kumar | 13104144 |
| Mechanical Engineering (PhD) | Anand Prakash Dwivedi | 12105163 |
| Material Science and Engineering (MTech) | Taraknath Maity | 13106040 |
| Material Science and Engineering (PhD) | Sankalp Verma | 12106072 |
| Material Science Programme | Nachiket Bangre | 14112013 |
| Shashank Singh | 14112024 |
| Industrial Management and Engineering (PhD) | Arun Karthik B | 12114061 |
| Industrial Management and Engineering (MTech/MBA) | Prakhar Gupta | 13114019 |
| Earth Sciences (MTech) | Sudhakar Ranjan | 14123013 |
| Earth Sciences (PhD) | Akhil Kumar Dwivedi | 14123261 |
| Design (PhD) | Amit Kundal | 13119061 |
| Design (MDes) | Romil Desai | 13119025 |

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| **Student Members, Department Undergraduate Committee** |
| Aerospace Engineering | Praveen Honhar | 12508 |
| Jital Patel | 12323 |
| Chemical Engineering | Mudit Sinha | 11440 |
| Aman Agrawa | 11065 |
| Civil Engineering | Mayank Aggarwal | 13395 |
| Priya Yadav | 13512 |
| Electrical Engineering | Chaitanya Ahuja | 11212 |
| Shubham Atreja | 12689 |
| Mechanical Engineering | Gautam Pratap | 12271 |
| Gaurav Gupta | 12267 |
| Material Science and Engineering | Kumar Aniket | 12367 |
| Semanti Mukhopadhyay | 12645 |
| Chemistry | Deepam Gupta | 13235 |
| Sanjana Gopalakrishnan | 12617 |
| Mathematics and Statistics | Anupreet Porwal | 12143 |
| Shivam Khandelwal | 12674 |
| Physics | Rishabh Jha | 12574 |
| Vidul Joshi | 13330 |
| Humanities and Social Sciences | Devin Haria | 13245 |
| Shrenik Bohra | 13667 |
| Computer Science and Engineering | Dhruv Singal | 12243 |
| Sharbatanu Chatterjee | 12658 |
| Biological Sciences and Biological Engineering | Shalin Mandowara | 11672 |
| Ishita Gupta  | 13317 |

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| **Item No. 7** | To consider the post-conduction report of the DUGC/DPGC elections. |

The nominee of the Chief Election Officer presented the report to the Senate.

It was noted that elections for the AE DPGC still needed to be held. Thus, the Senate accepted the post-conduction report, with the caveat that the Chief Election Officer shall resubmit the report after the AE DPGC elections are held.

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| **Item No. 8** | To consider, for ratification, the name of Head, Security, Udghosh’14. |

The Senate ratified the name of Siddhant Mathur (11712) for the name of Head, Security, Udghosh’14.

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| **Item No. 9** | To consider the proposed names for the Faculty Counsellors and Treasurer for the year 2014-15. |

The Executives and Chairperson presented the various names for the consideration of the Senate. In particular, the General Secretary, Games and Sports Council proposed two names, Dr. B.V. Phani, Dept. of IME and Dr. Vinod Vasudevan, Dept. of CE and requested the Senate to decide.

After discussion, the Senate accepted the following names:

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| Chief Counsellor, Students’ Gymkhana | Prof. A.R. Harish (*ex-officio*), Dept. of Electrical Engineering |
| Faculty Counsellor, Presidential Council | Dr. Deepu Philip, Dept. of Industrial Management and Engineering |
| Faculty Counsellor, Cultural Council | Prof. Nandini Nilakantan, Dept. of Mathematics and Statistics |
| Faculty Counsellor, Science and Technology Council | Dr. Abhishek, Dept. of Aerospace Engineering |
| Faculty Counsellor, Games and Sports Council | Dr. B.V. Phani, Dept. of Industrial Management and Engineering |
| Faculty Counsellor, Films and Media Council | Dr. Satyaki Roy, Dept. of Humanities and Social Sciences |
| Treasurer, Students’ Gymkhana | Dr. Vimal Kumar, Dept. of Humanities and Social Sciences |

The Senate directed the Chairperson to submit the above names to the Patron, Students’ Gymkhana for approval.

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| **Item No. 10** | To consider the resignation of the Convener, COFA. |

The Senate accepted the resignation of Mr. Praveen Honhar as Convener, COFA. Further, since there was insufficient time to appoint a new Convener, COFA until the conduction of Udghosh and Antaragni, it was decided that the responsibilities of the Convener, COFA shall fall to, and will be carried out by the President, Students’ Gymkhana.

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| **Item No. 11** | To consider the proposed Festival Manual. |

The Chairperson, Students’ Senate presented the proposed Festival Manual to the Senate. The Senate discussed the Manual at length, and decided to make a few changes.

The proposed Festival Manual was accepted by the Senate after a few changes. The Senate further directed the Chairperson to forward the Manual to the GFAC and Dean, Students’ Affairs for further discussion and consideration.

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| **Item No. 12** | To consider the issue of Lost and Found during mid-semester and end-semester exams. |

The Senate considered the item in detail. The Senate agreed that a request shall be sent to the Deputy Director from the Chairperson requesting that funds be allocated for the Bag-tags in the Library, along with a request to make this a permanent practice during examinations.

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| **Item No. 13** | To consider the allocation of funds to the Festivals as proposed by the Finance Committee. |

The Finance Convener presented the allocation of funds to the Festivals as proposed by the Finance Committee. The Senate accepted the allocation of funds as proposed, viz.

* Rs. 4.5 Lakh to Udghosh’14
* Rs. 2.3 Lakh to Antaragni’14
* Rs. 2.3 Lakh to Techkriti’15

Any amount obtained above Rs. 9.1 Lakh shall be divided equally between Antaragni and Techkriti.

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| **Item No. 14** | To consider the elections of the postgraduate members or Senate nominees of the following standing committees and councils of the Students’ Senate:1. Steering Committee
2. Rules and Procedures Committee
3. Postgraduate Students’ Academic Council (PGSAC)
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The Senate deferred the agenda item for consideration in the next meeting.

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| **Item No. 15** | Questions and Remarks, if any. |

The following questions and remarks were made:

* Senator, UG Y13, Mr. Samyak Jain asked the General Secretary, Science and Technology Council to update the Senate regarding the situation of Techkriti and whether one Festival Coordinator shall be sufficient for the festival. The General Secretary, Science and Technology Council replied that he shall update the Senate once the dates of the Inter IIT Tech Meet is fixed, that is, by the next Senate meeting.
* Senator, UG Y13, Mr. Harpreet Singh raised a concern about the constitution of the ad-hoc subcommittee of the Senate to look into elections for Senators and the President. The Chairperson further informed the Senate that the Chairman of the committee has requested that the committee be reconstituted. Hence, the committee was reconstituted with the following members:
	+ Anurag Sahay (Chairman) Chairperson, Students’ Senate
	+ V. Srinivasan General Body Member
	+ Ashutosh Ranka Senator, UG Y13
	+ Palak Agarwal General Body Member
	+ Harpreet Singh (Convener) Senator, UG Y13

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

One Agenda item was introduced by the Festival Coordinator, Udghosh’14:

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| **Item No. 16** | To consider the request of the Festival Coordinator, Udghosh’14 to relax the deadline for signing MoUs for Udghosh’14. |

The Chairperson, Students’ Senate informed the Senate that according to previous Senate decisions, no festival is allowed to sign MoUs after the Friday before the week in which the festival is organized. The Festival Coordinator, Udghosh’14 informed the Senate that this Friday was between the mid-semester examinations of the Institute, and thus it would be very difficult to finish all MoUs by that date. Thus, the Festival Coordinator requested that the deadline be extended to the Monday of the week of the festival (that is 22nd September, 2014).

The Senate considered the request, and after discussion approved the request of the Festival Coordinator.

**The Meeting was adjourned by the Chairperson, Students’ Senate at 11:05 PM.**

**Attendance Record**

The attendance record is:

* Total Strength of the Senate : 62
* Total number of Senators present : 38
* Total number of Senators absent : 26
* Absent without notification : 21
* Absent with permission : 2

The detailed attendance record is as follows:

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| **Sl.No.** | **Name** | **Post** | **Attendance** |
| 1 | Anurag Sahay | Chairperson, Students' Senate | Present |
| 2 | Abhimanyu Arora | President, Students’ Gymkhana | Present |
| 3 | Shalin Mandowara | General Secretary, Cultural Council | Present |
| 4 | Shivendu Bhushan | General Secretary, Science and Technology Council | Present |
| 5 | Chirag Agarwal | General Secretary, Games and Sports Council | Present |
| 6 | Chetan Kumar Garg | General Secretary, Films and Media Council | Present |
| 7 | Ashwani Kumar Munnangi | Senator, PhD | Absent# |
| 8 | Ahmed Sameer | Senator, PhD | Absent# |
| 9 | Syed Moiz Ali | Senator, PhD | Absent# |
| 10 | Ankita Singh | Senator, PhD | Absent# |
| 11 | Imran Khan | Senator, PhD | Present |
| 12 | Sandeep Kumar | Senator, PhD | Absent# |
| 13 | Charchit Kumar | Senator, PhD | Absent# |
| 14 | Mohd. Amir | Senator, PhD | Present |
| 15 | Gopal Sharain Parashari | Senator, PhD | Absent# |
| 16 | Arun Karthik B. | Senator, PhD | Absent# |
| 17 | Amarjit Kene | Senator, PhD | Absent# |
| 18 | Vipin Kumar Jain | Senator, PhD | Absent# |
| 19 | Abhijeet Swain | Senator, PhD | Absent# |
| 20 | Javed Akhtar | Senator, PhD | Absent# |
| 21 | Akash Pushkar | Senator, MTech Y13 | Absent |
| 22 | Mohammad Mahmood | Senator, MTech Y13 | Present |
| 23 | Gyanesh Kumar Singh | Senator, MTech Y13 | Present |
| 24 | Gaurav Kumar | Senator, MTech Y14 | Absent# |
| 25 | Shrishti Gautam | Senator, MTech Y14 | Absent# |
| 26 | Yajur Kumar | Senator, MTech Y14 | Present |
| 27 | Mohd. Asim Khan | Senator, MBA, MDes and Other Equivalent Programmes Y13 | Absent |
| 28 | Himesh Anand | Senator, MBA, MDes and Other Equivalent Programmes Y14 | Absent# |
| 29 | Hemant Patel | Senator, UG Y10 (5 Year) | Absent# |
| 30 | Mohd. Dawood | Senator, UG Y10 (5 Year) | Absent# |
| 31 | Avish Rana | Senator, UG Y10 (5 Year) | Present |
| 32 | Amitanshu Gupta | Senator, UG Y11 | Present |
| 33 | Anuj Kukreja | Senator, UG Y11 | Absent# |
| 34 | Jai Prakash Menaria | Senator, UG Y11 | Present |
| 35 | Pranay Jain | Senator, UG Y11 | Present |
| 36 | Shrey Agarwal | Senator, UG Y11 | Present |
| 37 | Vibhu Mohan Bajpai | Senator, UG Y11 | Present |
| 38 | Rishikesh Mishra | Senator, UG Y11 | Present |
| 39 | Arjun Singh | Senator, UG Y12 | Absent\* |
| 40 | Ashwani Roy | Senator, UG Y12 | Present |
| 41 | Balendu Shekhar | Senator, UG Y12 | Absent\* |
| 42 | Chahat Bajpai | Senator, UG Y12 | Present |
| 43 | Pushapjeet Singh | Senator, UG Y12 | Present |
| 44 | Sabyasachi Verma | Senator, UG Y12 | Present^ |
| 45 | Saurabh Aggarwal | Senator, UG Y12 | Present |
| 46 | Vishal Goyal | Senator, UG Y12 | Present |
| 47 | Arpan Agarwal | Senator, UG Y13 | Present |
| 48 | Ashutosh Ranka | Senator, UG Y13 | Present |
| 49 | Manikanta Reddy D. | Senator, UG Y13 | Present |
| 50 | Harpreet Singh | Senator, UG Y13 | Present |
| 51 | Kush Gupta | Senator, UG Y13 | Present |
| 52 | Rishabh Jain | Senator, UG Y13 | Absent# |
| 53 | Ritika Mulagalapalli | Senator, UG Y13 | Present |
| 54 | Samyak Jain | Senator, UG Y13 | Present |
| 55 | Arshil Abbas | Senator, UG Y14 | Present |
| 56 | Ashutosh Kumar | Senator, UG Y14 | Present |
| 57 | Dhruv Bhanot | Senator, UG Y14 | Present |
| 58 | Gaurav Seth | Senator, UG Y14 | Present |
| 59 | Hari Shankar | Senator, UG Y14 | Present |
| 60 | Mayank Varshney | Senator, UG Y14 | Present |
| 61 | Nikhil Bansal | Senator, UG Y14 | Present |
| 62 | Pooja Yadav | Senator, UG Y14 | Present |

\* – Absent with permission
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