

Committee of Festival Affairs Students' Senate

Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur

Naman Kumar | Convener



Minutes of the Second Joint meeting of COFA

Date: January 22nd, 2014

Meeting called to order at 9:40 PM.

The following were members present:

- 1. Naman Kumar Convener, COFA
- 2. V. Srinivas Chairman SS, Ex-officio member of COFA
- 3. Shashank Bhandari UG Y12 Senator, COFA Nominee
- 4. Karthik Balasundaram Ex Finance Convener (Special Invitee)
- 5. Himanshu Pandey President SG, COFA Member
- 6. Rishav Garg General Secretary, Cultural Council, COFA Member
- 7. Rudra Pratap Suman General Secretary, Science and Technology Council, COFA Member
- 8. Himanshu Aggarwal Head Finance, Antaragni'13 (Special Invitee)
- 9. Rohit Singh Festival Coordinator, Udghosh'13 (Special Invitee)
- 10. Manav Agrawal Head Finance, Udghosh'13 (Special Invitee)
- 11. Shadab Azeem Festival Coordinator, Udghosh'12, COFA Member
- 12. Shukant Agrawal Head Hospitality, Udghosh'12, COFA Member
- 13. Ibrahim Faruqi Festival Coordinator, Techkriti'14 (Special Invitee)
- 14. Aksshat Goel Festival Coordinator, Techkriti'14 (Special Invitee)
- 15. Akshat Srivastava Head Finance, Techkriti'14 (Special Invitee)

Agenda

- 1. "To consider proposal to have a Senate Nominee as "Head Finance" of Festivals against the current practice of being a member of core team with executive powers". <u>Proposal</u> submitted by Karthik Balasundram.
 - The agenda has been itemized and supporting documents are submitted.
- 2. "To consider the Discussion about increasing the cap on No. of outside participants in a campus festival. Proposal to be presented by the Techkriti Core Team."
 - The main issues in carrying out this particular action are concerns regarding security and availability of accommodation. COFA feels that if these issues are handled, this action can be carried out.
 - For security, there are still issues pertaining to the capacity of the Main Auditorium Grounds as there are not enough resources to accommodate every student(insider/outsider) in the ground during the main events. Increasing the cap would only highlight this problem a little more. Although, the COFA feels that the festival should anyway come up with a way to accommodate everyone in the grounds anyway, regardless of whether the cap is increased or not. If such a plan could materialize, COFA has no objections regarding security issues.
 - As far as accommodation is concerned, increasing the cap depends on the availability of the accommodation space during the festival. COFA understands that this availability is a fluctuating

variable and thus recommends it to be discussed in COSHA before it is brought to the Senate where all the Hall representatives can provide their own views over this matter.

- 3. Questions and Remarks
 - No Specific questions were raised in the meeting.
- 4. Any other item, with the permission of the chair.
 - On the request of V. Srinivas and Udghosh representatives, following agenda has been itemized: *"To consider the proposal of increasing the number of allowed festival days from 2.5 days to 3.5 days in Udghogh."*
 - Himanshu Aggarwal faced a peculiar problem in money transactions for Antaragni, which he brought to the notice of COFA and the same has been itemized as follows: *"To discuss the issue of failure of transactions in case the external party provides faulty bank account details."*

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 PM.

Naman Kumar

Convener, COFA

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