



Students' Senate (2017-18)  
Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur  
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**2nd Special Meeting of the Students' Senate (2017-18): Attendance Record**

Date: 16th April, 2017

Total Strength of the Senate: 43  
Total number of Senators present: 33  
Total number of Senators absent : 10  
Absent without notification: 6  
Absent with permission: 4

The detailed attendance record is as follows:

S. No.	Name	Post	Status
1	Kunal Kapila	Chairperson Students' Senate	Present
2	Rutuj Jugade	President, Students' Gymkhana	Present
3	Swapnil Kumar	General Secretary, Cultural	Present
4	Nikhil Srivastava	General Secretary, Games and Sports	Present*
5	Anvesh Jadon	General Secretary, Science and Technology	Present
6	Shubham Das	Finance Convener, Students' Senate	Present
7	Siddhant Naik	Parliamentarian, Students' Senate	Present
8	Tathagat Gupta	Senator, BT/BS-MT/MS/MBA Y12	Present
9	Shubham Garg	Senator, BT/BS-MT/MS/MBA Y13	Absent
10	Abhishek Rai	Senator, BT/BS Y13	Absent
11	Devendra Kumar Meena	Senator, BT/BS Y13	Absent
12	Kuchankar Yogita	Senator, BT/BS Y13	Absent
13	Vineet Agrawal	Senator, BT/BS Y13	Absent
14	Ayushya Agarwal	Senator, BT/BS Y14	Absent#
15	Bhanu Garg	Senator, BT/BS Y14	Absent#
16	Mandeep Singh	Senator, BT/BS Y14	Present
17	Labhansh Agrawal	Senator, BT/BS Y14	Present
18	Sagar Chand	Senator, BT/BS Y14	Present
19	Tony John	Senator, BT/BS Y14	Present



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20	Animesh Mishra	Senator, BT/BS Y15	Present
21	Pranav Sao	Senator, BT/BS Y15	Absent#
22	Pranshu Garg	Senator, BT/BS Y15	Present
23	Pratyush Rai	Senator, BT/BS Y15	Present
24	Shivam Gupta	Senator, BT/BS Y15	Present
25	Mayank Chauhan	Senator, BT/BS Y15	Present
26	Aayushi Bansal	Senator, BT/BS Y16	Present
27	Abhay Kumar Mishra	Senator, BT/BS Y16	Present
28	Ayush Singh	Senator, BT/BS Y16	Present
29	Mukund Maheshwari	Senator, BT/BS Y16	Present
30	Richeek Awasthi	Senator, BT/BS Y16	Present
31	Yash Mahajan	Senator, BT/BS Y16	Present
32	Arjak Bhattacharjee	Senator, MTech Y16	Absent#
33	Chalumuri Sivananda	Senator, MTech Y16	Present
34	Kapil K. Dayma	Senator, MTech Y16	Present
35	Mahendra Kumar	Senator, MTech Y16	Present
36	Praharsh M. Patel	Senator, MSc/MSc-PhD Y15	Present
37	S. Vishaal	Senator, MSc/MSc-PhD Y16	Present
38	Ankit Panwar	Senator, MBA/M.Des. Y16	Present
39	Alluru Srinivas	Senator, MSR	Absent
40	Aditya Desai	Senator, PhD Y14+	Present
41	Chandra Sekar	Senator, PhD Y14+	Present
42	K. Kishore Kumar	Senator, PhD Y15	Present
43	Manjeer Majumdar	Girls' Representative. PG	Present

\* - with Nominee

# - with Permission



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**2<sup>nd</sup> (Special) Meeting of the Students' Senate (2017-18): Minutes**

**The 2017-18/2<sup>nd</sup> (Special) Meeting of the Students' Senate was held on 16th April, 2017 in the Senate Hall, SAC. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson Students' Senate Students' Senate, Students' Senate at 2:30 PM**

The following agenda items were taken up for consideration:

<b>Item No. 1</b>	To confirm the Minutes of the following meetings: i. 2016-17/7th (Special) Meeting ii. 2016-17/10th Meeting iii. 2016-17/8th (Special Meeting) iv. Joint Senate 2017 v. 2017-18/1st (Special) Meeting
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This item was deferred to the next meeting. The minutes for the 2016-17/7th (Special) Meeting, 2016-17/10th Meeting and 2017-18/1st (Special) Meeting were drafted but were not vetted upon by the Chairperson Students' Senate. The minutes for 2016-17/8th (Special Meeting) and the Joint Senate Meeting 2017 were not prepared yet.

<b>Item No. 2</b>	Announcements and Remarks, if any
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No announcements and remarks were made.

<b>Item No. 3</b>	To consider the reply of the Senators, to the show cause notice issued to them for missing 2 meetings without notification
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Mr. Sagar Chand (Senator BT-BS Y14), Mr. Praharsh M. Patel (Senator MSc/MSc-PhD Y15) and Mr. S.Vishaal (Senator MSc/MSc-PhD Y16) were reprimanded for missing 2 meetings without the permission of the Chair and for not being able to suitably justify the reason for missing the meetings.



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Mr. Devendra Kumar Meena (Senator BT-BS Y13) was removed from office for missing 3 meetings without the permission of the Chair.

<b>Item No. 4</b>	To note the decisions taken by the Senate over the mailing list
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This item was deferred to the next meeting since the document was not submitted.

<b>Item No. 5</b>	To report the actions taken on the decisions of the Students' Senate 2016-17
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*The minutes for this item have been attached as an Appendix to these minutes.*

<b>Item No. 6</b>	To consider the election of the members of the following standing committees and councils of the Students' Senate: i. Rules and Procedures Committee ii. Nominations Committee
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The election of the PG member for the Rules and Procedures Committee was conducted and Mr. Kapil K. Damya (Senator MTech Y16) was elected for the same.

The elections for the PG member of the Nominations Committee did not happen as no nominations were received from the members of the Senate eligible for the post. The Senate decided to call the nominations for this post from General Body.

<b>Item No.7</b>	To consider for ratification, the list of names of student(s) for the post of Secretary, Students' Senate
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Mr. Shivank Garg was ratified as the Secretary, Students' Senate .

<b>Item No. 8</b>	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the Media and Cultural Council
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The names were ratified as presented.



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<b>Item No. 9</b>	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the Games and Sports Council
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This item was deferred to the next meeting since the list was not submitted.

<b>Item No. 10</b>	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the General Affairs Council
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This item was deferred to the next meeting since the list was not submitted.

<b>Item No. 11</b>	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the Antaragni'17
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This item was deferred to the next meeting since the list was not submitted.

<b>Item No. 12.</b>	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the Udghosh'17
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This item was deferred to the next meeting since the list was not submitted

<b>Item No.13.</b>	To consider the proposal to set-up a research portal for all the research scholars of IIT Kanpur
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Mr. K. Kishore Kumar (Senator, PhD Y15) presented the proposal for the consideration of the Senate. The proposal was accepted in principle. The Senate directed the Research Wing of the Academic and Research Cell to handle the responsibility of the implementation of the proposal.

<b>Item No. 14</b>	To consider the interim report(s) of the Gymkhana Review Committee
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The President, Students' Gymkhana presented the following reports on behalf of the Convener, GRC for the consideration of the Senate:

- Interim Report of the Gymkhana Review Committee
- Proposal to Restructure the Academic and Research Cell



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The Senate accepted the changes mentioned in the Interim Report of the Gymkhana Review Committee as presented.

The proposal to restructure the Academic and research Cell was accepted in principle with a few minor changes and the Senate decided to send both the proposals to the Rules and Procedures Committee for changes in constitution.

<b>Item No. 15</b>	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the E-Cell 2017-18.
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This item was withdrawn by the proposer.

<b>Item No. 16</b>	To consider the report of the sub-committee formed to look into the issue of Pool Funding
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Mr. Amit Ranjan, convener of the sub-committee presented the report for the consideration of the Senate. The report submitted by the sub committee was rejected after due deliberations and it was decided that the pools will not be provided with funding for General Championship events from the Gymkhana Budget.

The Senate also decided to re-constitute the above mentioned sub-committee to the following composition:

- Amit Ranjan (convener) (General Body Member)
- Ayushya Agarwal (Senator BT/BS Y14)
- Siddhant Naik (Parliamentarian, Students' Senate)
- Rutuj Jugade (President, Students' Gymkhana)

The mandate of the committee was revised to look into the problem of extravagant expenditure by the pools on General Championship events, and find ways to improve transparency in Hall related finances.

<b>Item No. 17</b>	To consider a proposal regarding Minors
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Due to paucity of time, the item was deferred to the next meeting.



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<b>Item No. 18</b>	To consider the post-conduction report of Gymkhana By-Elections '17
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The Chief Election Officer, Election Commission (2016-17) presented the report for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate accepted the report, including the first and the second recommendations, in principle. The Senate decided to add the third recommendation was passed to a sub-committee (Ref: 2017-18/2nd (Special) Meeting - Item No.19) to discuss the possible ways in which it can be incorporated.

<b>Item No. 19</b>	To consider the proposal for an E-Voting Mechanism
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The Senate formed a sub committee mandated to deliberate upon the possibility of incorporating a new software into the Election System.

The Constitution of the sub-committee is as follows:

- Saksham Sharma (Convener) (General Body Member)
- Vedant Goenka (Chairperson, Students' Senate 2016-17)
- Ayush Pathak (Chief Election Officer, Election Commission 2016-17)
- Richeek Awasthi (Senator, BT/BS Y16)
- Aayushi Bansal (Senator, BT/BS Y16)
- M. Surya Prakash (General Body Member)
- Pratyush Rai (Senator, BT-BS Y15)

The committee is expected to submit its report before the by-elections.

<b>Item No. 20</b>	To consider the proposal for changes in HEC elections.
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Mr. Ayush Pathak presented the proposal for the consideration of the Senate. While presenting the proposal, he stated that the conduction of elections for Hall Executive Committees (HECs) for all Halls of Residence should come under the purview of the Election Commission of the Students' Gymkhana, and previous HECs may not play any role in the same so that common rules and code of conduct can be implemented to all the Hall elections uniformly. This shall help us in preventing unpleasant situations similar to the ones that occurred in recent past in one of





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the Halls of Residence. In no way is this proposal undermining the autonomy of HECs in Hall related matters. The motivation behind the proposal is to bring in an experienced third party to protect the basic rights of a student. The Senate accepted the proposal in principle and directed the Election Commission to formalise the procedures for the implementation of the same.

<b>Item No. 21</b>	To consider a proposal regarding availability of guest rooms for students on a priority basis
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Due to paucity of time, the item was deferred to the next meeting.

<b>Item No. 22</b>	To consider the Marketing Guidelines for external Sponsorship to the Students' Gymkhana
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To give the members of the Senate enough time to go through the guidelines and scrutinize them, the Senate decided to deferred this item to the next meeting.

<b>Item No. 23</b>	To note the minutes of the 2017-18/1st and 2017-18/2nd RPC Meeting.
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The Parliamentarian, Students' Senate presented the minutes for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate overturned the decision taken by the RPC related to the President's Office. The Senate accepted the rest of the minutes and directed the Rules and Procedures Committee to come up with the changes required in the constitution.

<b>Item No. 24</b>	To consider the various constitutional amendments for discussion
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Due to paucity of time, the item was deferred to the next meeting.

<b>Item No. 25</b>	To consider the post-conduction report of Spectrum 2016
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Due to paucity of time, the item was deferred to the next meeting.

<b>Item No. 26</b>	To consider the post-conduction report of Galaxy 2017
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Due to paucity of time, the item was deferred to the next meeting.

<b>Item No. 27</b>	To consider the post-conduction report of the General Championship, 2016-17
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Due to paucity of time, the item was deferred to the next meeting.

<b>Item No. 28</b>	To consider the end-term report of the Community Welfare Cell
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Due to paucity of time, the item was deferred to the next meeting.

<b>Item No. 29</b>	To consider the end-term report of the Entrepreneurship Cell
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The report was presented by the overall Coordinator E-Cell (2016-17). The report was accepted as presented. The Overall Coordinator, E-Cell requested the Senate to allow for a collaboration with the Business club. The Chairperson, Students' Senate assured him of communication of the request to the General Secretary, Science and Technology.

The Senate commended the hard work put in by the members of E-Cell during the year 2016-17.

<b>Item No. 30</b>	To consider the end-term report of the Academics and Research Cell
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This item was deferred as the report was not submitted.

<b>Item No. 31</b>	To note the minutes of the 2017-18/1st and 2017-18/2nd COFA (U) meeting.
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This item was deferred as the minutes had not been submitted.

<b>Item No. 32</b>	To consider for ratification the members for FAC (U) (2017-18)
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This item was deferred as the list was not presented.



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<b>Item No. 33</b>	To note the minutes of the 2017-18/2nd COFA (A) meeting.
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The minutes were presented by the Chairperson, COFA(A) and were duly noted by the Senate.

<b>Item No. 34</b>	To consider for ratification the members for FAC (A) (2017-18).
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The Chairperson, Students' Senate presented the following names on behalf of the Festival Coordinator, Antaragni' 17 for the consideration of the Senate:

- Chairman, Festival Advisory Committee: Prof. Ritwij Bhowmik (Dept. of HSS)
- Member, Festival Advisory Committee: Prof. Anshu Gaur (Dept.of MSE)
- Member, Festival Advisory Committee: Prof. Prawal Sinha (Dept.of MTH)

The names were accepted as presented.

<b>Item No. 35</b>	To consider the post-conduction festival report of Antaragni '16
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This item was deferred due to paucity of time.

<b>Item No. 36</b>	To take cognisance of the financial status of Antaragni '16 and to consider the action to be taken thereof
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The Head Finance, Antaragni' 16 presented the finance report of Antaragni' 16 for the consideration of the Senate. The Head Finance was enquired about the amount remaining to be transferred and was directed to see to it that the bills are cleared by May 15th 2017. The Senate decided to take up the detailed financial report in subsequent meetings.

<b>Item No. 37</b>	Questions and Remarks, if any
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- A Senator remarked about the lack of space for studying at night as places like RM, KD are not accessible to non-CSE students as of now.  
The Chairperson Students' Senate assured the Senate of taking the matter up with the Head, CSE.



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- The President, Students' Gymkhana remarked that there has been a gradual increase of dissatisfaction towards the institute amongst the Alumni due to the decline of administrative contributions in the students' and Alumni's lives.

The Senate decided to form a sub-committee mandated to look into the contribution of the institute's administration in students' and Alumni's lives.

The committee was expected to submit its report after the summer vacations.

The constitution of the sub-committee is as follows:

1. Pratyush Rai (convener) (Senator, BT-BS Y15)
  2. Pranshu Garg (Senator, BT-BS Y15)
  3. Siddhant Naik (Parliamentarian Students' Senate)
  4. Pranav Sao (Senator, BT-BS Y15)
  5. Aditya Desai (Senator, PhD Y14+)
- A Senator remarked that entry to students into the halls of residences is being restricted and no entry is being allowed without ID cards. However no e-mail regarding such an official order was sent.  
The Chairperson Students' Senate informed the Senate that the measure has been taken as a temporary solution to the various cases of thefts reported. Possible long term solutions are being discussed with the concerned authorities.

<b>Item No. 38</b>	To consider the interviews for the post of Festival Coordinator, Techkriti'18
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The Senate considered the interviews of all applicants that had filed their nomination for the post of Festival Coordinator, Techkriti'18. The result for these interviews would be declared along with the result for the rest of the core team for Techkriti'18.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 PM, 16th April, 2017 with a vote of thanks to all the attending members.