



Rules and Procedures Committee, Students' Senate, 2014-15 Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur

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Minutes of the 1st Meeting held on 24.09.14

The 2014-15/1st Meeting of the Rules and Procedures Committee was held on Wednesday, 24th September, 2014 in the Convener's Room, New SAC. The meeting was called to order by the Convener, Rules and Procedures Committee at 11:15 PM.

The Agenda Items were taken up for the consideration.

Item No. 1	To consider the constitutional amendment regarding the restructuring of the Science and Technology Council.
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The proposal for restructuring the Science and Technology Council, IIT Kanpur was given by the General Secretary, Shivendu Bhushan in the 2nd Meeting of the Students' Senate, 2014/15. The proposal was to include a new division in the organization of the Science and Technology Council under the name of '**Institute Teams**'. The proposal was referred to the Rules and Procedures Committee by the senate for its opinions regarding the constitutional amendments.

The committee looked into all the aspects of the proposal and came out with the following recommendations-

- The committee felt that 'Institute Team' cannot be made under the organization structure of Science and Technology Council only. For the amendment in the constitution, the notion of 'Institute Team' shall not only be formed for the proposed Council, but for all the Councils of the Students' Gymkhana.
- The Constitution shall have '**Gymkhana Team**' as a part of the Students' Gymkhana, IIT Kanpur. It shall be an enabling clause i.e. the Councils are given authority by the Constitution to form 'Gymkhana Team' when they find necessary and get the proposed team ratified by the Senate.
- No 'Gymkhana Team' can be formed which already has a club associated with the nature of competition it has to participate in.
- The Institute teams that participate in the Inter-IIT sports meet and other activities of that sort which are coordinated by the General Secretaries, shall be considered to be 'Gymkhana Team' from this point onwards.
- The 'Gymkhana Team' shall ordinarily not receive any funding from the Students' Gymkhana, including the Senator Seed Fund.

- The committee feels that many of the recommendations given by the General Secretary cannot be added in the constitution in a similar manner. However, if the senate feels that proper details should be mentioned, it can add an appendix to the constitution named 'Gymkhana Teams'.
- The 'Gymkhana Team' shall not receive any certificate of any kind from the Students' Gymkhana.
- Every 'Gymkhana Team' shall present a post-conduction report on the floor of the Senate after they have participated in the competition for which they were formed.
- The 'Gymkhana Team' shall be ratified by the Senate on the recommendation of the General Secretary. However, the Senate may not form a 'Gymkhana Team' which it deems to be unfit as of the purpose which such teams have to serve or the necessity of such a team being formed. Moreover, the committee feels that to prevent a large number of Gymkhana teams to be formed under the Gymkhana, the aforementioned point 3 to be duly noticed.

With regard to the above mentioned points, the committee recommends the given constitutional amendment regarding 'Gymkhana Team' to be added as article 5.06 in the updated constitution presented in the 1st Meeting of the Students' Senate, 2014-15. The articles further given will have to be re-numbered.

" 5.06 - Notwithstanding the above, for any activity or competition in which students participate, which is not associated with an existing club or hobby group, the Senate may on the recommendation of the General Secretary, create a Gymkhana Team which shall participate in competitions as official teams on behalf of the Students' Gymkhana and the Institute. The Senate will appoint a Team Leader, as per Article 5.02, 5.03 and 5.04, who shall be responsible to the Senate for the working and performance of the team. Gymkhana Teams may not receive any funding, including the Senator Seed Fund. "

Item No. 2	To update the Constitution by checking and correcting the inconsistencies, if there are any.
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The Agenda item was deferred to the next meeting due to paucity of time.

Item No. 3	Any other item with the permission of the Chair.
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No other agenda item was introduced.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 AM.