



Students' Senate
Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur

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Minutes: 11th Meeting of the Students' Senate, 3rd February, 2013

The 11th Meeting of the Students' Senate (2012 - 2013) was held on Sunday, 3rd February, 2013 in the Old SAC Conference Room. It was called to order by the Convener, Students' Senate at 2:30 PM.

The attendance record of the senators is:

- Total: 52
- Present: 43
- Absent: 9
- Absent with permission: 8

The Agenda items were taken up for consideration.

Item No. 1	To ratify the Minutes of: <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. 4th Special Meeting, held on 01.01.13ii. 10th Meeting, held on 10.01.13
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The draft Minutes had been circulated by the Convener along with the Agenda and were presented by him for the consideration of the Senate.

The Minutes of these meetings were ratified, without any changes.

Item No. 2	Announcements and Remarks, if any.
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- The President, Students' Gymkhana made several announcements:
 - He announced that a cycle auction had been conducted, in which 165 cycles were sold and Rs. 70,000 collected. He informed that this money shall be used for Medical Emergency and other such funds as approved earlier by the Senate.
 - He announced that the New SAC will now be open for usage of non-Gymkhana activities with the following charges:

Multipurpose Room	: Rs. 300
OAT	: Rs. 1000
Grounds	: Rs. 500
 - He announced that the issue of travel grant had been forwarded to the administration and an office order had been issued by DOAA which revised the amounts in travel grant and the whole procedure. He further informed



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that the Office order provides the Travel Grant only for 1 Conference for 1 student. However, the DOAA has informed the President that a revised Office Order shall soon be issued whereby PhD students will be allowed to avail the grant twice, while other students will be allowed to avail it once.

- He announced that a special subscription for “The Economist” had been obtained for residents of the campus.
- He announced that the selection procedure for the new Dean, Resource Planning and Generation had started, and that the result shall be forwarded to the Senate as and when the decision shall be taken.
- He announced that the Electronic Voting Machines had been bought by the Golden Jubilee team and would be ready for use in the next by-elections.
- He announced that the HC report had been forwarded and that a meeting of the HCUC is scheduled around 5th of February.
- He announced that the I-collect system for collecting the mess bill has been agreed to and shall be implemented soon by every hall of residence.
- He announced that Rs. 70 lakh had been approved for infrastructure development in the New SAC.
- The General Secretary, Games and Sports Council announced that a feedback form for Josh'13 had been prepared and would be sent to the students list. He also announced that a wall climbing workshop had been conducted, with a good turnout, and that the Institute Football League (IFL) would begin on 3rd February, 2013.

Item No. 3	To report on action taken.
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The Action Taken Report was presented by the Convener, Students' Senate for the consideration of the Senate. The report was accepted without any changes.

Item No. 4	To note the removal of Mr. Arun Kumar from the post of Senator, PhD on grounds of missing 5 meetings of the Students' Senate.
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The Convener, Students' Senate informed the Senate that Mr. Arun Kumar had missed 5 Meetings of the Students' Senate and hence, stood removed from the post of Senator, PhD under Article 2.20 (a) of the Constitution. This removal was noted by the Senate.

Item No. 5	To consider, for ratification, the results of the Gymkhana General Elections, 2012-13.
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The results of the Gymkhana General Election, 2012-13 were presented by the Convener for the consideration of the Senate, and were ratified.

Item No. 6	To consider, for ratification, the names of students for the post of Overall
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	Coordinator, Galaxy'13.
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The recommendations of the interview panel were presented by the General Secretary, Cultural Council. They were:

- Anurag Dash (Y9227115)
- Mayank Bharadwaj (Y9330)
- Vaibhav Goyal (Y9635)

The names were ratified by the Senate.

Item No. 7	To consider the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none">i. Ratification of the names of students for posts related to Techkriti'13.ii. Resignation and removal of some event coordinators of Techkriti'13.iii. Proposal regarding management of the funds in Techkrit 2005 account.
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i) The following names were proposed for various posts:

Manvindra Singh	Head, Megaworld	Y9326
Pavan Sharma	Head, Events	Y9227408
Ashish Kumar Verma	Coordinator, Megaworld	10157
Shanu Yogi	Coordinator, Megaworld	10665
Amit Kumar	Coordinator, Megaworld	10075
Gulshan Gupta	Coordinator, Megaworld	10272
Kanak Agrawal	Coordinator, Megaworld	10336
Bivek Kumar	Coordinator, Megaworld	10201
Shrey Agarwal	Coordinator, Endeavour	11695
Yavvan Battili	Coordinator, Tremor	10190
Pooja Singhal	Business Events	10493
Nijit Sharma	Business Events	10445
Shubham Goyal	1000 Rupee Venture	11703
Ishaan Dube	1000 Rupee Venture	11321
Rohit Saini	Coordinator, Workshop	10612
Md. Dawood	Coordinator, Workshop	10404

The names were ratified by the Senate.



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- ii) Further, the Convener announced that the Techkriti'13 team had proposed the removal of the following coordinators from their respective posts mentioned below

Akash Bansal	10051	Coordinator, Take Off
Manoj Kumar	10389	Coordinator, Tremor
Aniket Parikh	11090	Coordinator, Business Events
Aman Tiwari	11072	Coordinator, Business Events

Further, the below mentioned coordinators had resigned from their respective posts.

Shubham Gupta	10699	Coordinator, Workshop
Akshay Agarwal	10058	Coordinator, Fun@Techkriti
Shubham Singh	11707	Coordinator, Endeavour

The resignations and removals were accepted by the Senate.

- iii) The Finance Convener informed that the interest on the money in the Techkriti 2005 account barely matches the TDS that the Techkriti team needs to pay. Further, the recommendations of the Finance Committee regarding the usage of Funds in Techkriti 2005 were accepted by the Senate. It was agreed that five lakh out of the Total amount in the fund should be moved to a Fixed Deposit, the interest on which shall be used to increase the fund only. The remaining amount may be kept as it is, and the interest on this fund till the quarter before Techkriti may be used by the Techkriti team.

Item No. 8	To consider, for ratification, the recommendations of the panel for selection of Core Team, Udghosh'13.
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The following names were recommended by the panel for the various posts in Udghosh'13:

Rohit Singh	Festival Coordinator	10613
Nitish Sharma	Head, Show Management	10465
Debayan Das	Head, Events (Hospitality)	10217
Manav Kumar	Head, Finance	10380
Varitant Goyal	Head, Public Relations	10786

The panel further recommended that re-nominations be called for the remaining posts.

The Senate ratified that names, and accepted the recommendation.



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Item No. 9	To consider the finance report of Udghosh'12.
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The report was presented by the Head, Finance, Udghosh'12. It was noted that the finances of Udghosh'12 were not yet complete, and the updates regarding the finances of Udghosh'12 were accepted. Head, Finance Udghosh'12 was instructed by the Senate to submit the final finance report soon.

Item No. 10	To consider the post-conduction report of Inferno'12.
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The post-conduction report of Inferno'12 was presented by the General Secretary, Games and Sports Council and accepted by the Senate.

Item No. 11	To consider the post-conduction report of Antaragni'12.
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The post-conduction report and an update of the finances of Antaragni'12 were presented by the Festival Coordinator, Antaragni'12, and were accepted by the Senate. Head, Finance Udghosh'12 was instructed by the Senate to submit the final finance report soon.

Item No. 12	To consider the preliminary conduction report of Spectrum'13.
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The preliminary conduction report of Spectrum'13 was presented by the General Secretary, Films and Media Council for the consideration of the Senate. He also informed the Senate that two workshops were being organized as part of Spectrum which was not in the report, namely "Movie Making" and "Camera Handling".

Karthik Balasundaram, Senator, PhD requested the Executives that whenever an event was being organized by money that was from the Golden Jubilee, the event must acknowledge the contribution from Golden Jubilee appropriately.

Item No. 13	To consider the pre-conduction report of Techkriti'13.
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The pre-conduction report of Techkriti'13 was presented by the Festival Coordinator, Techkriti'13 and was accepted by the Senate.

Item No. 14	To consider the redistribution of funds under Gymkhana Golden Jubilee.
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The redistribution of funds was presented by the Finance Convener for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate deliberated on the redistribution in detail. Several changes in the given redistribution were proposed and approved by the Senate. The relevant discussions were:



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- An additional amount of Rs. 50,000 was allocated for New SAC Decorations. The corresponding amount was removed from the buffer.
- The proposals for Earth Day, Blood Donation camp, sound proofing for Music Club, IITK waste paper management, Cart, trophies for championship, Robocon and permanent hoarding at Academic Area Gate 3 were presented and approved by the Senate.
- A proposal for automatic ball throwing machine for cricket practice was approved by the Senate as requested by the General Secretary, Games and Sports. The allocation of funds
- A new proposal for electronic task keepers such as iPads/smart phones for the usage of the 6 Gymkhana Representatives was presented by the President and was put in priority list by the Senate.
- The priority list for proposals on hold was discussed again, and remade. The new priority list is the following:

S. No.	Description	Amount
1	Xerox Machine	350000
2	FSAE – Additional amount	350000
3	2-D projector	500000
4	Astronomy Club Observatory – additional amount	350000
5	Golden Jubilee book in New SAC	100000
6	LCD For New SAC	250000
7	Smartphones/Tables for the 6 Gymkhana Representatives	120000

With the above mentioned changes, the redistribution of funds was accepted by the Senate.

Item No. 15	To finalize the process for Gymkhana awards.
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This item was presented by the Convener for the consideration of the Senate.

After an in-depth discussion on the rules and modalities of the awards, it was decided that the general rule “This award will be restricted to achievements pursued through the Students’ Gymkhana, IIT Kanpur in the given Gymkhana year only” shall be modified suitably to reflect that the activities pursued through Students’ Gymkhana shall be given preference while considering the applications.

The proposal for Gymkhana awards, with the above-mentioned changes was accepted by the Senate.



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In continuation of the proposal, the panels for the various awards were constituted. The various panels are:

- **Outstanding Freshman**
 - President, Students' Gymkhana (Convener, ex-officio)
 - General Secretary, Games and Sports Council (ex-officio)
 - General Secretary, Cultural Council (ex-officio)
 - General Secretary, Science and Technology Council (ex-officio)
 - General Secretary, Films and Media Council (ex-officio)
- **Cultural Excellence Award**
 - President, Students' Gymkhana (Convener, ex-officio)
 - General Secretary, Cultural Council (ex-officio)
 - General Secretary, Films and Media Council (ex-officio)
 - Samarth Bansal – Senator UG Y11 (Senate nominee)
 - Himanshu Pandey- Senator, UG Y10 (Senate nominee)
- **Science and Technology Excellence Award**
 - President, Students' Gymkhana (Convener, ex-officio)
 - General Secretary, Science and Technology Council (ex-officio)
 - Chirag Gupta- Senator, UG Y12 (Senate nominee)
 - Sarthak Chandra- Senator, UG Y11 (Senate nominee)
 - Pratik Moona- Senator, UG Y9 (Senate nominee)
- **Gymkhana Leadership Award**
 - President, Students' Gymkhana (Convener, ex-officio)
 - Convener, Students' Senate (ex-officio)
 - Praveen Honhar – Senator, UG Y12 (Senate nominee)
 - Pratik Moona – Senator, UG Y9 (Senate nominee)
 - V Srinivas- Senator, Ph. D (Senate nominee)
- **Gymkhana Community Service Award**
 - President, Students' Gymkhana (Convener, ex-officio)
 - Convener, Students' Senate (ex-officio)
 - Ayush Gupta- General Body Member – UG Y11 batch (Senate nominee)
 - Anurag Sahay- Secretary, Students' Senate (Senate nominee)
 - Samarth Bansal- Senator, UG Y11 (Senate nominee)
- **Gymkhana Blues**
 - Sumit Bhagwani, Senator UG Y8 (Convener, Senate nominee)
 - Rekha Raja- Senator, Ph. D (Senate nominee)
 - Harshvardhan, Senator- M. Tech Y12 (Senate nominee)
 - Ashish Dabas- Senator, UG Y11 (Senate nominee)
 - Jyoti Gupta- Senator, UG Y9 (Senate nominee)
 - Naman Kumar- General Body member from UG Y10 batch (Senate nominee)



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- Balendu Shekhar- Senator, UG Y12 (Senate nominee)

Item No. 16	To consider the interim report of the committee to look into the impact of the new academic system on students.
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The report of the committee to look into the impact of the new academic system on students was presented by the Chairman of the committee, Sarthak Chandra.

It was noted by the Senate that parts of the report were pertinent to Agenda Item No. 22, and hence, the two items were taken up for consideration together.

The Senate considered in detail the report of the committee. It was decided that the report was incomplete with regard to the problems with the current Termination and Academic Probation rules and requested the committee to come up with the desired changes and submit the report again over the Senate list.

The Senate accepted the remaining portion of the report and desired that the Convener, Students' Senate and the President, Students' Gymkhana take up the various issues highlighted in the report with the administration.

Item No. 17	To consider the report of the committee to suggest ways to better monitor festivals.
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The item was deferred for consideration in the next Meeting.

Item No. 18	To consider the report of the committee to suggest ways to better inform the general junta about the work done by Senators and the Students' Senate.
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The item was deferred for consideration in the next Meeting.

Item No. 19	To consider the report of the Virtual Classrooms committee.
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The item was deferred for consideration in the next Meeting.

Item No. 20	To consider the following proposals: i. Introduction of compulsory mentor for each PG student from senior batch. ii. Introduction of CPA for 1 st Year PG students.
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The item was deferred for consideration in the next Meeting.

Item No. 21	To discuss the challenges face by Students in our academic system.
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The item was presented by the President for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate discussed in detail the challenges faced by students in all batches and streams, and requested the President to forward the various points raised during the discussion as and where required.

Item No. 22	To consider the situation of continuous evaluation in the present academic system.
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This item was discussed under Agenda Item No. 16, and the discussion was added to the report being forwarded by the Convener and President.

Item No. 23	To consider the proposal for a bus transport system inside the IIT Kanpur campus.
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The item was deferred for consideration in the next Meeting.

Item No. 24	Interviews of candidates for the post of Festival Coordinator of Antaragni'13.
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The interviews were conducted by an interview panel consisting of the Convener, Students' Senate, the President, Students' Gymkhana, the Festival Coordinator, Antaragni'12 and the General Secretary, Cultural Council.

The following candidates were interviewed for the post:

- Abhishek Ranjan (10031)
- Saurabh Dixit (10656)
- Shashwat Shivam (10678)
- Shivam Trivedi (10690)

Item No. 25	To consider the proposal to keep all committee meetings open-door.
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This item was deferred for consideration in the next Meeting.

Item No. 26	To consider the proposal for cash-free system using POS machines.
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This item was deferred for consideration in the next Meeting.



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Item No. 27	To consider the proposal for expansion of New SAC.
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The item was presented by the President for the consideration of the Senate. He proposed that the road behind New SAC be moved further behind, and the remaining portion of the New SAC be extended with an indoor swimming pool, a new building for clubs and an open area. The Senate approved the proposal and directed the President to submit a detailed report before forwarding to the administration.

Item No. 28	To elect the members of the Gymkhana Review Committee.
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This item was deferred for consideration in the next Meeting.

Item No. 29	To consider the proposal regarding dustbins on road sideways.
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This item was presented by Mr. Harshvardhan, Senator, MTech Y12 for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate accepted the need for more dustbins. Mr. Harshvardhan was requested to come up with a list of all such places where the dustbin needed to be placed. Further, The President was directed to pursue the matter with the concerned authorities in behalf of the Senate along with Mr. Harshvardhan.

Item No. 30	To consider the proposal on including academics in the General Championship.
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This item was deferred for consideration in the next Meeting.

Item No. 31	To consider, for ratification, the names of students for posts related to Jugaad – Inter IIT Technical Competition.
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The following names were proposed for the various posts relating to Jugaad:

Coordinators, Jugaad	Adwait Parulekar	11114011
	Kshitij Agarwal	11375
	Vamshidhar Reddy Jakka	11331
Executives, Marketing (Media and Publicity)	Shehzad Hathi	12666
	Rishav Raj Agarwal	12577
	Sumit Chourasiya	11738
	Sravan Kumar	10421
	Chennuru Gowtham Swarup Reddy	11215
	Vicki Anand	12793



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The names were ratified by the Senate.

Item No. 32	Questions and Remarks, if any.
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This item was deferred for consideration in the next Meeting.

	Any other item, with the permission of the Chair
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The following item was introduced by the General Secretary, Games and Sports Council:

	To discuss the proposal to change the mode of payment of the Taekwando Club instructor.
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The item was presented by the General Secretary, Games and Sports Council for the consideration of the Senate. He noted that the Instructor was paid by the Gymkhana for his services, but said he did not consider such a large expense for only a few students justified. He proposed that from the next Gymkhana year, his salary be instead given by students who participate in the classes through a fee, similar to lines of the Yoga instructor.

The Senate accepted the proposal and requested the President to forward the decision to the instructor and the administration.

The meeting was adjourned by the Convener, Students' Senate at 11:45 PM.



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Attendance Record

S. No.	Senators	Name of the Post	Record
1	Abhay Jain	President, Students' Gymkhana	Present
2	Sonal Kumari	General Secretary, Cultural Council	Present
3	Subhojit Ghosh	General Secretary, Science and Technology Council	Present
4	Yuvraj Dhillon	General Secretary, Games and Sports Council	Present
5	Yashovardhan Bhagat	General Secretary, Films and Media Council	Present
6	Ankit Bhutani	Convener, Students' Senate	Present
7	Karthik Balasundaram	Senator, Ph.D.	Present
8	Kumar Gaurav	Senator, Ph.D.	Present
9	Payel Pal	Senator, Ph.D.	Present
10	Rekha Raja	Senator, Ph. D	Present
11	Pavan Kumar Nagar	Senator, Ph. D	Present
12	Rajat Dhingra	Senator, Ph. D	Present
13	V Srinivasan	Senator, Ph. D	Present
14	Khushal Singh Chauhan	Senator, M. Tech Y12	Present
15	Gaurangi Gupta	Senator, M. Tech Y12	Absent*
16	Harshvardhan	Senator, M. Tech Y12	Present
17	Tushar Deshmukh	Senator, M. Tech Y12	Present
18	Arjun Ravichandran	Senator, M.Tech Y11	Present
19	Adwait Parulekar	Senator, M.Tech Y11	Present
20	Abhimanyu M A	Senator, M.Tech Y11	Present
21	Srinivas Chitturi	Senator, M.Tech Y11	Absent
22	Nishant Maheshwari	Senator, MBA + M.Des. + other equivalent Masters Programmes Y11	Present
23	Sumit Bhagwani	Senator, UG Y8	Present
24	Akella Ravi Nagarjun	Senator, UG Y8	Present
25	Jyoti Gupta	Senator UG Y9	Present
26	Pratik Moona	Senator UG Y9	Present
27	Aman Haji	Senator UG Y9	Present
28	Digraj Singh Chahal	Senator UG Y9	Absent*
29	Anurag Dash	Senator UG Y9	Present
30	Himanshu Pandey	Senator UG Y10	Present
31	Abhiroop Bhatnagar	Senator UG Y10	Absent*
32	Rahul Arora	Senator UG Y10	Present
33	Saurabh Mishra	Senator UG Y10	Present
34	Amritanshu Mishra	Senator UG Y10	Present
35	Saurabh Dixit	Senator UG Y10	Absent*



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36	Sanchit Khattar	Senator UG Y10	Absent*
37	Shivam Trivedi	Senator UG Y10	Absent*
38	Ankur Atul Agarwal	Senator UG Y11	Present
39	Amrit Rijhwani	Senator UG Y11	Present
40	Samarth Bansal	Senator UG Y11	Present
41	Srijan R Shetty	Senator UG Y11	Absent*
42	Shouvik Sachdeva	Senator UG Y11	Absent*
43	Ashish Dabas	Senator UG Y11	Present
44	Pranjal Gupta	Senator UG Y11	Present
45	Diksha Gupta	Senator UG Y11	Present
46	Akshay Mahajan	Senator, UG Y12	Present
47	Balendu Shekhar	Senator, UG Y12	Present
48	Prakhar Jain	Senator, UG Y12	Present
49	Chirag Gupta	Senator, UG Y12	Present
50	Praveen Honhar	Senator, UG Y12	Present
51	Shubham Yadav	Senator, UG Y12	Present
52	Adhiraj Arora	Senator, UG Y12	Present

* - Absent with Permission