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STUDENT AFFAIRS COUNCIL

No. IITD/SAS/21/2015/ISTA-520.

Dated: 17.04.2015

Minutes of SAC Meeting held on 17.03.2015

The meeting was chaired by Prof. R.K. Shevgaonkar, Director IIT Delhi. The following agenda points were discussed

1. Confirmation of the minutes of meeting held on 26.08.2014

- a. No comments were received on the minutes, and the minutes were approved.
- b. The Chairman SAC asked the General Secretary SAC to update the council about the implementation of various agenda points. The General Secretary informed the council that 8 students have applied for the deferred placement policy (approved in the council on 29.04.2014) and the applications are being processed. Most of the issues related to drinking water, 24*7 library timings, institute lift timings, and proxy quota etc. had been implemented. A couple of issues which were pending, had been included in the agenda of the current meeting
- c. It was also decided that a notification will be sent to all departments for implementing the centralized no dues form for various laboratories within a department.

Action:SAC General Secretary

2. Proposal for setting up of a Community Radio Station in IIT Delhi

The SAC General Secretary presented the proposal (attached with the minutes) for a community radio station to be set up, for free flow of information, at IIT Delhi. After deliberations, a unanimous consensus emerged that such an activity is an excellent idea and implementation details for the same be worked out at the earliest with the following parameters:

- a. Based on the suggestion by the Chairman SAC, it was agreed to change 'community' radio to 'campus' radio
- b. Based on concerns about time required to get necessary approvals for operating a radiowave frequency based activity, it was decided to initiate the activity as a web-based - simultaneously G. Secy. SAC would pursue the approvals required.
- c. Creation of a studio for the activity was considered to be the first step - it was agreed that the studio would be created to host the campus radio and would also serve as a recording studio for BRCA activities. It was decided to request the Dean Infrastructure for identification of 200-300 sq. ft. of space for creation of this studio and take assistance from G. Secy. SAC for creation at the earliest possible
- d. Overall, SAC granted an in-principle approval to setting up of campus radio. It was decided that a student team, headed by G. Secy. SAC and involving G. Secy. BRCA would prepare a detailed proposal with all logistics (e.g. the team structure, operation timings & content, non-recurring and recurring funds required) to the Chairman (SAC) through Dean of Student Affairs. Chairman SAC was requested to

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sanction the proposal in consultation with the Dean of Student Affairs and create specific budget heads for the same

Action: Incoming General Secretaries SAC & BRCA (2015-16)

3. Suggestions received for operations in Hospital (IIT Delhi) through a student survey

The SAC General Secretary informed the council about the results of a student survey which showed dissatisfaction among the students regarding hospital operations especially during the emergency hours. The issue of medical coverage for the dependents of Married Research Scholars was also raised.

- a. The Deputy Director (Operations) assured SAC that he would look into the complaints for feasible solutions for the welfare of the student community.

Action:SAC General Secretary

- b. The council was informed that since Married Research Scholars are not employees of the institution, they would be subject to the same rules as students. Still, a mechanism is being worked out where they could avail the medical consultation for a small fee, but not the medicines.

4. Complaints against the departmental store near Nilgiri Hostel

The BSW General Secretary briefed the council regarding a survey undertaken by BSW which showed that students perceived the behaviour of the store owner as "rude" and also complained that the owner did not give legitimate bills for items purchased. He also informed the council that the store was housed in a building which has been declared to be in a deteriorated state.

- a. The Deputy Director (Operations) told the council that he had made a note of these complaints and would look into them

Action: BSW General Secretary

5. Opening of SCOOPS/Block IV entrance throughout the night

The SAC General Secretary proposed that the entrance(s) near SCOOPS and Block IV be kept open throughout the night for the convenience of students

- a. The council decided that this would be further deliberated only upon looking into the feasibility of the proposal and security issues related to it.

Action: SAC General Secretary and Security Officer, IIT Delhi

6. Issues related to Computer Services Center

a. Setting up of email IDs for general secretaries

On the request of general secretary SAC, the Chairman SAC recommended that new email IDs for all General Secretaries be made for official correspondences. The Dean of Students further added that he will ensure proper passing on of these IDs, every year after elections and that these IDs are used responsibly. The Head CSC kindly agreed to look into the possibility of creation of new IDs.

b. Setting up routers for WIFI in common rooms of Hostels

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The Dean of Students informed the head (CSC) about the capacity (about 50 connections) and other requirements of the Wi-Fi routers that had been approved for being setup in the last SAC meeting. The Head CSC kindly agreed to the request.

c. Issues for day scholars due to non-availability of internal websites

The Head CSC informed that they will make the internal academic sites accessible from outside after getting them tested for security. CSC will have these tests run by some independent agency.

d. Availability of INTRANet in the hostels during night hours for academic purpose

The Head CSC informed that there is a possibility of accessing external sites through tunnelling, if the intranet is allowed during LAN ban hours and hence either the LAN ban be removed completely or remain as it is. Hence, the proposal was rejected.

7. Suggestion for all NPTEL videos to be made available on the intranet without proxy

The SAC General Secretary informed the council that although the lectures of all IITs were available on the ETSC website, the disk space of ETSC had become full hence it could not make the newer lectures available. Also, because of lack of backup power, the link cannot be kept working all the time.

- a. The council decided that the budget for procuring more server space and UPS will be considered after submission of a proposal by Head ETSC.

Action: Head ETSC

8. Changing the time for nomination of SAC members to various senate committees from August to April

The SAC General Secretary informed the council that although the members of SAC are finalized after elections in April, they are nominated to the senate committees only in August. Most of the student members of old committees graduate in May. Thus the committees remain non-functional during this period.

- a. The changing of the nomination time was unanimously approved by SAC.

Action: SAC General Secretary

9. Typographical error in the constitution of BSW in section VII-B-3-(i)

The error was noted by SAC and the correction was approved - "BSA" to be replaced with "BSW"

- a. The incoming general secretary, SAC will examine similar errors and approved changes (by SAC) in all constitutions of different student boards and prepare a list of the same.

b. Action: SAC General Secretary

10. Inclusion of Deputy General Secretary, Board for Sports Activities(BSA) as a member of SAC

The SAC General Secretary informed the council that although the Deputy General Secretary, BSA was elected by the same electorate as the General Secretary, BSA, he/she was not a member of SAC.

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- a. The council decided that the Deputy General Secretary, BSA will be included as a voting member of SAC from the academic year 2015-16.

11. Any other issue with the permission of the Chair

- a. Students requested for an eating outlet (preferably 24*7) in the hostel area which has appropriate food quality standards. The Associate Dean, Hostel Management, informed the council that parallel private canteens were being set up for each hostel. Also, additional items were being approved for the night canteens.
- b. Deputy Director, Operations told the council that an emergency contact number for security will be provided at the guard desk of every hostel to make availing of security services easier.
- c. The General Secretary, BSP requested that the manifestos of candidates who win the student elections be made public so that their performance can be gauged against their promises. This was approved by the council.

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COMMUNITY RADIO – (CR)

VISION

As the premier institute of the country it is our responsibility to think towards the development of the nation. The brilliant minds of IIT must come together in a creative environment to celebrate the spirit of IIT and to discuss the challenges we face today. A radio at IIT would be a platform for freely flowing and easily accessible information, where the IIT community and various experts would discuss issues related to socio-economic, technological and environmental development of the nation. It would be a medium of information and entertainment for the people in and around IIT-Delhi. **Community Radio is already operational and running successfully at IIT Kanpur and IIT Bombay. While IIT Delhi will not be the first IIT for such an exercise, it certainly will be proud of being one of the few IITs.**

STRUCTURE

(This structure is open for discussion before finalisation)

Since this would be a community venture, a community radio should fall under the aegis of the Student Affairs Council. The stakeholders shall be the various boards under SAC.

- Faculty Mentor,
- The General Secretary (SAC)
- And the team will be nominated and not elected, comprising of :
 1. Program Manager, Infrastructure Secretary, Production Supervisor
 2. 2 Representatives (Content Producer and Content Editor) from each board (or certain clubs) & BSP Journalists
 3. Members (RJ, Journalists, DJs etc.)

During fresher's orientation (UG and PG), separate involvement projects will be developed to nurture members who can contribute for two to four years.

ACTIVITIES

(This list is open for discussion and flexible in nature)

BRCA

- Musical Programs
- Debates
- Extensive use during student festivals at IIT Delhi like Rendezvous
- Various Talk shows
- Drama
- Repeat Telecasts of student events

BSP

- Student Journalism
- Student Affairs and surveys
- Various Talk Shows

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- News Hour
- Extensive Use in Literati
- Repeat Telecast of Literati Author Talks

BSW

- Mentorship Advice
- Student Counselling
- Placement Counselling
- Alumni Interviews
- Opinion Polls
- Extensive use during Speranza
- Repeat Telecast of Speranza shows

BHM

- Hostel Reviews
- Maintenance Reviews

BSA

- Live Sports Commentary
- Sport Updates

CAIC

- Guest Lectures
- Know your Professors (Talk Shows with Professors)
- Academic Reviews
- Extensive Use during Tryst
- Repeat Telecast of Tryst guest lectures

NON-ACADEMIC COMMUNITY

- Shows by IIT Households
- Shows by/about adjoining areas

OTHER

- EDC/Enactus, SPICMACAY, NSS/NCC/NSO updates, SOPs can be broadcast during Student election

PROPOSAL

SAC is requested to deliberate and provide an in-principle approval with the following requirements in view:

1. Creation of a studio, preferably in the Student Activity Centre (SAC) (~300 sq. ft sound proof room) and installation room (~150 sq. ft) and antenna.
2. Creation of a budget head to operate the radio.
3. Finalization of mechanism by the Director to nominate a faculty mentor and set up the initial team.

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