

**Minutes of the 9th Meeting of the
Board of Directors of Alumni Association, IIT Kanpur**

Date of the Meeting: November 6, 2011
Venue: Through Teleconferencing: VH Lounge, IIT Kanpur
Meeting commenced at 07:30 PM (Indian Standard Time)

Agenda Item 1: Roll Call

Board Members Present:

1. Mr. Rakesh Pandey, President
2. Prof. Kripa Shanker, Secretary,
3. Dr. Jayant K Singh, Treasurer
4. Mr. Rakesh Sharma, Vice President
5. Mr. Ashok Kumar Bajaj, Vice President,
6. Mr. Ajay Bharadwaj, Member
7. Dr. Sameer Khandekar
8. Mr. Anil Srivastava, Member
9. Prof. Manindra Agarwal, DRPG
10. Mr. Salil Dave, IIT Foundation nominee

11. Leave of Absence:

Mr. Abhay Kumar Bhushan, (ex-President), Member

Mr. Vijay Mishra

Ms. Keya Sur

Agenda Item 2: Confirmation of the Minutes of the last Board Meeting

The Secretary sought comments from the Board members on the minutes of the previous Board meeting held on August 7, 2011 and circulated on September 7, 2011, September 9 and 10, 2011 and on September 11 and 17, 2011 for the Board meeting scheduled on September 11 and September 18, 2011, which could not take place. Since Mr Anil Srivastava had to drop off after some time because of poor sound quality, the minutes were approved after incorporating his presence.

Agenda Item 3: Update by the President:

PAN IIT held in New York:

The President informed the Board of the PANT IIT event held in New York City. He mentioned that there was a good participation from IIT Kanpur, and the event in whole turned out to be highly successful.

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He also suggested that the Class-of-66, who is visiting the campus on November 26-28, 2011 for their Golden Jubilee Reunion, may spare half a day's time to interact with the students on campus, and it was agreed that the point may be taken up with the batch.

Agenda 4: Update by the Secretary

a. **Reunions:**

The Secretary informed the Board of the various forthcoming reunions scheduled as follows:

The Class-of-66 is having their Golden Jubilee Reunion on November 26 to 28, 2011 (with around 41 alumni already registered)

The Silver Jubilee Reunion of the Class-of-87 is scheduled from December 24 to 26, 2011

The Class-of-72 will have their 40th Year Reunion from December 27-30, 2011

The Class-of-77 will have their 35th Year Reunion from February 2-5, 2012

The Class-of-67 desires to have their 45th Year Reunion from November 23 to 25, 2012

b. Update on the appointment of the webmaster

Following the norms laid down for the project appointments by the Office of the Dean of Research and Development, Mr Virendra Singh was selected by the Selection Committee. He has joined the office from October 3, 2011 as the Webmaster. Besides the regular updating of the website, he is presently working on white listing of the website and a new homepage.

c. Society Registration renewal

The Secretary informed that, the Society Registration certificate is renewed every five years. The certificate for registration of the Alumni Association Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur has been renewed till December 2015, after a lot of efforts put in by the office.

d. Balance Sheet (Financial Year 2010-2011)

After due deliberation, the Board approved the Balance Sheet for the financial year 2010-2011. The President pointed out there are no laid down policies that guide our budget / expense, and it was informed by Dr Sameer Khandekar that all the norms and policies are followed in accordance with the Institute, which in turn derives its policies as laid down by MHRD.

e. PAN IIT travel

Dr Jayant Singh proposed that the travel of the Secretary to the New York City for attending the PAN IIT event be approved, and all members agreed to it. The President desired that a policy document be kept in place for funding the travel to the various PAN IIT events.

f. New Budget Format

The President expressed his satisfaction on the format of the budget document and will send his comments on further improvising it.

g. Kelkar Alumni Lecture

The Secretary informed that Mr Muzzafar Ali (Film Director and Producer) and Ms Meera Kumar, (Speaker, Lok Sabha) have been contacted for delivering the lecture, once finalized, the details of the lecture will be circulated. It was also decided to circulate the list of past speakers and the tentative list of speakers.

h. Forwarding Lifetime email ID for the Class-of-2011

As desired by the graduating Class-of-2011, we have successfully implemented the process of issuing the forwarding email id to be same as their email id at IITK, i.e. IITK EMAIL ID.

2011@iitkalumni.org

Earlier since 2007 onwards this was FIRST NAME. LAST NAME.Year of Graduation @iitkalumni.org.

Agenda 5: Alumni Association Website

The Secretary proposed that, since no specification have been received from the Board on the new website, he himself would prepare a draft design for the Alumni Association website. All members agreed to this.

Agenda 6: Creation of Alumni Welfare/Benevolent Fund

The Secretary requested Prof. Manindra Agarwal to introduce the item on setting up of Benevolent/Welfare fund for the alumni. Prof Agarwal emphasized that a fund to help alumni or their families at the time of distress may be set up where funds from alumni are received and in turn transferred to alumni in need. Dr Jayant Singh informed the Board that two such short term funds have already been implemented at the request of the respective batches. It was unanimously agreed that a policy document be drafted before the fund is created.

Agenda 7: Social Connect Programme of the Alumni Association IIT Kanpur

The Secretary reemphasized on the social responsibility of the Alumni Association towards the larger sections of the society. Moving ahead in this direction, it was informed by Dr Sameer Khandekar, that three small projects have been taken up, which are:

1. A quiz was organized on the occasion of the Vivekananda Jayanti, under the banner of the Alumni Association, and the prizes were sponsored by the Alumni Association (expense around Rs 5000)
2. A compost pit was formed at the Central School, IIT Kanpur to make students aware of the recycling of decomposable waste, this was done with the help of Parivartan, an NGO run by one of our alumnus Mr Anil Gupta (expense around Rs 4000)
3. A workshop is to be organized with the help of Shiksha Sopan, for the teachers and the principals of the High Schools of the nearby villages, to create awareness amongst the students for the National Talent Search examination (estimated expense around Rs 8000 -10000)

The Board agreed to take up more such activities and on request of the Board, Dr Sameer Khandekar agreed to be the nodal person for all such activities.

Agenda 8: Alumni Magazine

Mr Rakesh Sharma informed the Board that a mail will be sent to all alumni for the contest to name the forthcoming Alumni Magazine.

Agenda 9: Any other item with the permission of the chair

1. The President discussed the issue, of the organizational structure of the Alumni Association office as raised by Prof Manindra Agrawal, and it was agreed that a special Board meeting be held for this **within a fortnight**. The members may send in their comments before the meeting, to the Alumni Association office for circulation.
2. The President also informed that the Election process for the next BOD is to commence from November 15, 2011 onwards and an election officer must be appointed for initiating the process.

The meeting ended at 09:30 PM (IST) with a vote of thanks to all.

(Kripa Shanker)

Secretary, IITKAA

(Rakesh Pandey)
President, IITKAA