

Minutes of the Meeting of the General Body of IIT Roorkee Alumni Association held on November 12, 2016 at 4.30 PM at O.P.Jain Auditorium, IIT Roorkee.

Present:

The meeting was presided by Prof. Prem Krishna, President IITR Alumni Association and over 150 other members attended the meeting.

Homage was paid to the following members who have left for their heavenly abode:

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| 1. Prof. Rajendra Prakash | (B.E. Mech. 1953) |
| 2. Prof. C. L. Toshniwal | (M.E. Civil 1963) |
| 3. Shri B. B. Dhiman | (B. E. Mech. 1984) |
| 4. Shri Harish Chandra | (B. E. Civil 1952) |
| 5. Shri Sushil | (B.E. 1993) |
| 6. Shri Subhash Chandra Jain | (B.Arch. 1974) |
| 7. Er. Satish Chand Dhusia | (BE Civil1986) |
| 8. Er. D. C. Goel | (BE 1941) |
| 9. Er Nitish Naharas | (BE 1991) |
| 10. Er. Anurag Singh | (BE 1991) |
| 11. Er. Ajit Gupta | (BE E&C 1986) |

The audience stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the departed souls. Thereafter the agenda was taken up by the house.

At the outset, one of the members Shri V. K. Mittal raised the point that the agenda for the meeting should have been sent in advance. He was informed that as per practice for the last over 4 decades the agenda is placed on table in the meeting. However, as suggested by Shri V. K. Mittal, in future efforts will be made to post the agenda on IITRAA website.

67.1 The minutes of the General Body Meeting held on November 7, 2015 were approved and confirmed.

67.2 The annual report for the period from November 1, 2015 to October 31, 2016 was presented by Dr. Achal Mittal and was accepted and approved.

67.3 The accounts of the Alumni Association for the period from April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016 as audited by M/s Awasthi Prakash and Associates, Chartered Accountants, Roorkee were considered and approved.

Further It was pointed out that the income on account of membership fee and the subscription on account of membership received through IIT Roorkee should be shown under the head income. It was also desired that the Association should

have internal auditor to audit its account from time to time. The house was informed that the suggestion for including the amount of membership fee under the head income in the balance sheet will be brought to the notice of Chartered Accountants for necessary correction if feasible. As for internal audit of vouchers, possibilities will be explored to find out the feasibility of internal audit. Prof. J. L. Gaindhar, Past President IITRA has informed that internal auditor was identified in his tenure, but the practice could not continue further, since the identified member had expressed his inability to audit the IITRAA accounts.

67.4 The question of appointment of auditors for the year 2016-17 was considered and it was agreed that M/s Awasthi Prakash and Associates, Chartered Accountants, Roorkee be re-appointed as auditors to audit the accounts of the Association for the year 2016-17.

67.5 The budget estimates for the year 2016-17 were considered and approved as at appendix-1

67.6 Considered the abolition of clause no. 6.2 (k) of Rules and Regulation regarding participation in election to EC and it was approved that clause no. 6.2 (k) of Rules and Regulation be abolished.

67.7 Considered the question of nomination of more than two members on the Executive Committee by the President representing special interests and it was agreed and approved that upto 5 members may be nominated by the President.

Shri V. K. Mittal gave his note of dissent to be recorded on this issue.

67.8 The report that the executive committee in its meeting held on May 20, 2015 had approved changes in clauses 3.1 and 3.2 of the bye laws related to Executive Committee as follows:

Existing	Revised as approved by General Body
3.1 Vice President, Joint Secretary, Treasurer and members of the Executive Committee shall be elected in the Annual General Body Meeting through simple majority of votes	3.1 Vice President, Joint Secretary, Treasurer and members of the Executive Committee shall be elected by the General Body Meeting through simple majority of votes, cast on line.
3.2 A notice of the General Body Meeting may be served on any member either personally or by sending it through ordinary post or through news paper advertisement or through e-mode.	3.2 A notice of the election may be served by e-mode and advertisement on the IITRAA website.

The online elections held during February- March 2016 were appreciated it was noted that elections to the EC in future will also be held online.

The report was noted and approved.

67.9 The report about the results of elections for the EC for the year 2016-17 were noted and approved.

67.10 The report that the EC in its meeting held on September 10, 2016 decided to institute a research award of Rs. One lakh at IIT Roorkee to be given annually to a young IITR alumnus was noted and approved.

Under any other item Shri V. K. Mittal of Delhi brought the following issues before the house.

1. The Annual meeting of the GB should be held on November 25, every year at 11.00 AM.

This was deliberated and the secretary IITRAA and the Dean, AAIR, IIT Roorkee informed the house about the difficulties of holding the GB Meeting and other allied functions on 25th November and the house was informed that the date for meeting is decided as per the facility available and cannot be fixed according to convenience of a person. It would therefore not be possible to hold the GB meeting on this particular date.

There after Shri V. K. Mittal desired that the meeting should be convened at 2.30 PM instead of evening. He was informed that efforts would be made to convene the meeting around this time after the alumni lunch.

2. Shri V. K. Mittal also raised the issue that EC has failed to get elections for the year 2017-18 held before the AGM and is supposed to present the election results to GB for approval and strictures should be passed against the office bearers.

However Shri V. K. Mittal then withdrew this item .

3. Shri VK. Mittal also questioned the role of Dr. R. D. Garg involved in elections and charged that conflict of interest is obvious and manipulation of results cannot be ruled out. He desired that election of Dr. R. D. Garg and his father be declared as invalid. Shri V. K. Mittal also withdrew this item in the meeting.

4. Shri V. K. Mittal Also raised a question about allotment of accommodation in the IITR Guest houses.

He was informed that the guest houses are with the IIT Roorkee and allotment of accommodation is done by the IITR authorities. The IIT Roorkee allots accommodation according to their priorities and IITRAA can only recommend and forward requests received from its members.

5. An issue was also raised that the IITRAA members should have representation on the Board of Governors.

Prof. S.P.Gupta, Vice President IITRAA and former Dean, AA informed that this proposal had come to the IITR earlier also and the MHRD was approached. The Board of Governors is constituted as per the Act and the ministry did not agree to the proposal.

6. Lot of other things were being brought by Sri V. K. Mittal and 2-3 members in the house and they were trying to take the house to an unpleasant environment. One of the issues was the way the IIT is collecting the IITRAA membership subscription and transferring it to the IITRAA. The the Dean, AAIR kindly explained the position. The approach of the particular members was not favoured by other members.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks and recitation of National Anthem.

Achal Kumar Mittal
Honorary Secretary