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ACADEMIC SECTION: UNDERGRADUATE OFFICE

Chairperson, SUGC

21st July, 2016

To

All Members of the SUGC

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE 2015-2016/11th MEETING HELD ON 14th JULY, 2016
AT 03.30 P.M. IN QIP CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS BUILDING**

MEMBERS PRESENT***SUGC Members:***

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| 1. Dr. T. Ravichandran (Chairman) | 12. Dr. S.K. Mathur (in place of Dr. Joydeep Dutta) (ECO) |
| 2. Dr. D.P. Mishra (Ex-Officio) | 13. Dr. Deepak Gupta (MSE) |
| 3. Dr. Gouthama (Senate Nominee) | 14. Dr. S. Ghorai (in place of Dr. Malay Baneerjee) (MTH) |
| 4. Dr. D.P. Mishra (AE) | 15. Dr. Shakti S. Gupta (ME) |
| 5. Dr. Pradip Sinha (BSBE) | 16. Dr. Animesh Mandal (in place of Dr. Indra Sen Sekhar) (ES) |
| 6. Dr. Raju Kumar Gupta (CHE) | 17. Dr. S.S.Mishra (IME) |
| 7. Dr. Tarun Gupta (CE) | 18. Dr. A. Kelkar (in place of Dr. P. Munshi) |
| 8. Dr. S. P. Rath (CHM) | 19. Dr. D.P. Mishra (MDES) |
| 9. Dr. Nitin Saxena (CSE) | |
| 10. Dr. Sandeep Anand (in place of Dr. Rajesh M. Hegde) (EE) | |
| 11. Dr. T. Ravichandran (HSS) | |

Special Invitee:

Dr. Suchitra Mathur

Student Representatives:

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| 1. Mr. Ayusha Agarwal (in place of Mr. A. Arora) | 3. Mr. Shivam Mishra (in place of Mr. Praveen Honhar) |
| 2. Mr. Afroz Alam (in place of Ms. Palak Agarwal) | 4. Mr. Kunal Kapila |

MEMBERS ABSENT

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| 1. Dr. Anubha Goel (EEM) | 3. Dr. Abhjit Kushari (ESc) |
| 2. Dr. K. Muralidhar (CLTP) | 4. Dr. R. G. Pala (MSP) |
| | 5. Dr. P. Munshi (NET) |

At the outset, the Chairman, SUGC, welcomed all the members present, and subsequently, the agenda was taken up for discussion.

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T. Ravichandran
Chairman, SUGC

Item No. 1: Confirmation of the minutes of the 2015-2016/10th meeting held on 17th June, 2016 in QIP Conference Room (Academic Affairs Building).

The Minutes of the 2015-2016/10th SUGC meeting held on 17th June, 2016 was circulated to all the members on 6th July, 2016 with a request to give their comments, if any, on the minutes. Since no comments were received, the minutes were confirmed.

Item No. 2: Announcement, if any

There was no announcement

Item No. 3: Consideration of the requests for change of branch/academic programme of 2014 batch students at the end of their 4th semester (i.e., at the end of 2015-16-II) and to give its recommendations to the Academic Senate for its further consideration.

The committee was apprised that twelve students of 2014 batch had submitted their application form for change of branch/academic programme at the end of their 4th Semester (i.e. 2015-16-II). After going through the data of the branch change it was decided that, as per the existing vacant seats and their choice, seven students may be allowed to change of their branch/academic and positive recommendations will be sent to the Senate for further consideration.

Item No. 4: Consideration of the requests for change of branch/academic programme of 2015 batch students at the end of their 2nd semester (i.e., at the end of 2015-16-II) and to give its recommendations to the Academic Senate for its further consideration.

The committee was apprised that one hundred sixty five students of 2015 batch had submitted their application form for change of branch/academic programme at the end of their 2nd Semester (i.e. 2015-16-II). After going through the data of the branch change it was decided that, as per the existing vacant seats and their choice, ninety one only students may be allowed to change of their branch/academic and positive recommendations will be sent to the Senate for further consideration.

Item No. 5: Consideration of the report of the committee constituted for reviewing the functions of Curriculum Development Monitoring Committee (CDMC)

The Report of the committee constituted by the Senate in its 2013-14/7th meeting held on 15th May, 2015 for reviewing the functions of the Curriculum Development and Monitoring Committee (CDMC) was considered by the SUGC. After due deliberation on the report, it was suggested that for constituting a committee for reviewing the function of the CDMC "Structure-II" may be accepted with two suggested modifications listed below:

(1) "Chairperson of SPGC & SUGC"

to be modified as:

"Chairperson of SPGC & SUGC or their nominees"

(2) "Associate Academic Deans for UG & PG"

to be modified as :

"DOAA or his nominees"

Item No. 6: Consideration of the new provisions which have already been included in the recently approved UG Manual but not recommended by the SUGC to the Senate.

The committee was apprised that based on the ARC Report a revised UG Manual was prepared by the constituted UG Manual Committee and the same was approved by the Senate. While approving the UG Manual it was suggested that if any clauses which were neither considered in the SUGC nor recommended to the Senate for approval but included in the UG Manual are to be considered by the SUGC and recommendations to be sent to the Senate for its approval. In this regard, all the clauses which are existed in the UG Manual but not approved by the Senate based on the recommendations of the SUGC were presented before the SUGC by Dr. S.K. Mehta and Dr. Suchitra Mathur (member of the UG Manual Committee) and the same was circulated amongst the departments/IDPs for their suggestions/comments. Based on the suggestions/comments of the departments/IDPs, Chapter 15 was considered by the committee. After deliberation it was decided that this chapter will be removed from the UG Manual. It was also decided that members of the UG Manual Committee will be requested to go through the existing manual and to prepare the list of those existing clauses which needs approval of the Senate.

Item No. 7: Consideration of the proposal of Dr. Manoj K. Harbola, DUGC Convener of Physics Department, to follow some procedures such as merit and interest of the students at the time of allotment of HSS courses instead of through lottery.

The proposal of Dr. Manoj K. Harbola, DUGC Convener, Physics Department (appended below) regarding allotment of HSS courses was placed before the SUGC in its 2016-16/5th SUGC meeting held on 28th December, 2015 for considered and it was decided that student members of SUGC will prepare a proposal in consultation with the student community and the same will be sent to all DUGC, Conveners for consideration in their departments.

“The DUGC in its meeting held on 26-12-2015 observed the following. The HSS courses are currently assigned by lottery. This conveys a feeling that HSS courses are incidental. On the other hand, these course are taken seriously by many students. Furthermore, the importance of HSS courses has further increased with the increasing interdisciplinary nature of education at IITK and the possibility of pursuing a double major or a minor. Thus it is felt that while assigning an HSS course to a student, their interest and academic merit should also be taken into account to some extent.”

Before preparing the proposal a survey was conducted for getting the feedback related to allotment of HSS courses. Based on feedback of the students, a proposal was prepared and the same was placed before the committee for consideration. After going through the proposal, it was observed that only 6.75% student is in favour for allotment the HSS courses academic merit basis instead of through lottery. Hence the proposal was not accepted by the committee.

Item No. 8: Consideration of the proposal of the Students Welfare Cell on behalf of the Students' Senate on remedial program for academically deficient students.

The committee was apprised that a proposal of the Students Welfare Cell on behalf of the Students' Senate on remedial program for academically deficient students considered in its 2015-16/2nd meeting held on 30th October, 2015 and based on the decision of the SUGC a committee was constituted to look into the matter and submit a report for consideration in the SUGC meeting. The committee has submitted the report related to find out the ways and means on remedial program for

academically deficient students and the same was considered by the SUGC in its meeting 2015-16/7th held on 11th March, 2016. Since this is a policy matter and support of the various departments will be required for running the proposed remedial program, it was decided that the said proposal will be sent to all the departments for obtaining the feedback/suggestion, if any.

Based on the departmental inputs it was decided by the committee the following recommendations will be sent:

- A. In general, the Committee felt that there is a need for a remedial program to help academically deficient students.
- B Regarding the implementation part suggested in the proposal, however, the Committee raised objections, apprehensions and concerns over certain issues as:
- (i) A similar run slow-paced program fizzled out owing to lack of interest of academically deficient students and the stigma attached to it.
- (ii) Making running of Summer Courses mandatory to some specific departments is not acceptable to respective departments.
- (iii) Difficulty of running new additional courses by those departments where there is already shortage of faculty.

Item No. 9: Consideration of the proposal of the Student Nominee of the SUGC for allowing semester drop in case of any valid reason

Item was deferred.

Item No. 10: Consideration of the proposal of the Director (IITs) (MHRD) on the study of science and technology in Sanskrit Literature.

Item was deferred.

Item No. 11: To consider the requests of course instructors of HSS Department to approve a new course of his department.

Requests of course instructors of HSS Department the following courses were approved by the committee:

Course No.	Course Title	Instructor
ENG452	Linguistic Typology	Dr. Chaithra Puttaswamy
ENG453	Linguistic Universals	Dr. Achla M. Raina

Item No. 12: Consideration of the requests of 2013 batch students to change of their academic programme from BT to BT-MT and BS to BS-MS (Dual Degree) in the same department.

The committee was apprised that the requests of 149 students of 2013 batch were received for change of their academic programme from BT to BT-MT and BS to BS-MS (Dual Degree) in the same department (Category-A) after 6th Semester (i.e. at the end of 2015-16-II semester). Based on the eligibility criteria and positive recommendation of the DUGC of the concerned department out of 149 students 108 students have been allowed to change of their academic program.

Item No. 13: To consider the requests of the students to allow them to withdraw from Dual Degree program.

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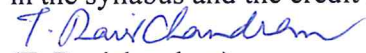
Requests of the following dual degree students to withdraw from the Dual Degree program were considered by the committee:

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Roll No.</i>	<i>Name of Student</i>	<i>Dept.</i>	<i>Prog.</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>DUGC's Recommendation</i>
1.	11175/ 11907175	Avinash Yadav	CHE	BT-MT	Migrated (Extended)	Not Recommended
2.	11749/ 11907749	Surinder Punia	MSE	BT-MT	Migrated (Extended)	Recommended

While considering the request of Mr. Avinash Yadav, it was decided by the committee that student will be allowed to withdraw from dual degree program though DUGC did not recommend for the same. In case of Surinder Punia, the SUGC accepted the request.

Item No. 14: Consideration of the requests of Convener, DUGC of Mathematics Department to change the course title, partial modification in the syllabus and the credit of the course MTH202A

The request of Convener, DUGC of MTH department to change the course title, partial modification in the syllabus and the credit of the course MTH202A was accepted.


(T. Ravichandran)

Chairman, SUGC

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