INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KANPUR Minutes of the IAC meeting held on November 25, 2014 Time: 4:00 pm; Venue: FB-212

Members Present:

Drs. Indranil Manna, A.K. Chaturvedi, Sanjay Mittal, S. Ganesh, Nishith Verma, P.K. Bharadwaj, Rajesh Srivastava, Sumit Ganguli, Satyaki Roy, S. P. Das, Indra S. Sen (in place of Dr. Rajiv Sinha), Surajit Sinha, Rahul Varman, Asima Pradhan, Sandeep Sangal, S. Madan, P.K. Panigrahi, Avinash Singh, T.V. Prabhakar, Ajai Jain, Mr. Munish Malik, Drs. R.K. Sachan, V.D. Srivastava, Dr. Braj Bhushan and Dr. Deepu Philip (special invitee).

The Chairman welcomed all the members present and called the meeting to order.

Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of previous IAC Meeting

The minutes of the IAC meeting held on October 10, 2014, as circulated on October 27, 2014, were confirmed.

Item 2: Campus security issue

Chairman, SAEC, presented a detailed account of the security system for the campus. He informed that a security audit was undertaken recently and several vulnerable points have been identified. Requests have been sent to the appropriate authorities to eliminate these. Several proactive measures have been taken to enhance the security and standard operating procedures have been put in place. Feedback will be sought from the campus community about some of the proposed measures. For details about measures undertaken, members of IITK community may contact Chairman, SAEC.

Item 3: Guidelines for hiring foreign Faculty/Researcher/Student

The Chairman highlighted the need to improve the international component in our activities, in terms of manpower, collaboration, and projects. It was mentioned that a committee was formed to suggest guidelines for hiring foreign faculty and it has already submitted its report to DOFA. The Chairman informed that MHRD is ready to provide assistantships to foreign students without GATE qualification. Ways to attract Ph.D. students/post-doctoral fellows from some neighbouring countries were discussed and the Heads were requested to provide feedback after discussion in their Departments/IDPs.

Item 4: All India placement committee - proposal

Proposal for a common placement for all IITs was discussed. In general, the concept was considered good, but some concerns about the logistics were raised. DOSA was requested to consult the student body for their views and the Heads were requested to send their feedback on the proposal to DOSA.

Item 5: Any other item

The Chairman informed that an Academic Ethics Cell is being created at the Institute and an Energy Cell is also to be created to look at ways to improve the energy efficiency. The Chairman reiterated that official letters with multiple signatures should be avoided. In case there are multiple signatories, the letter should be forwarded by a single person as convenor or representative of the group forwarding the resolution.

Dr. Sanjay Mittal was nominated as the IAC representative in the Screening and Short-listing subcommittee for the selection of the new DOAA.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Rajesh Srivastava)

Convenor

(Indranil Manna)

Chairman