

Minutes of the General Body Meeting of NIT Hamirpur Alumni Association held on evening of 2nd and morning of 3rd October, 2009 at NIT auditorium during the two day Alumni Meet

The meeting was attended by 139 members from batches graduating since 1990. This included 48 alumni from 1990-1995 batches, 28 alumni from 1996-2000 batches, 22 alumni from 2001-2005 batches and 41 from 2006-2009 batches. The Dean (SW &AA) Dr Lalit Awasthi, Coordinator Alumni Affairs, Sh. **Surender** Kumar Soni and Former Dean (SW&AA) were also invited to attend the proceedings and give valuable suggestions.

The meeting started with the welcome to all those present by the President of Alumni Association, Dr. Pardeep Kumar (1990 batch).

Following agenda items were discussed and decisions were taken.

1. Approval of Expenditure since last Alumni Meet

The expenditure for the Alumni Meet and other expenses since last meeting out of Alumni Association Fund was presented by the Finance Secretary of Alumni Association, Mrs. Gargi Khanna, which was approved by the General Body. The overall fund statement of alumni association was also presented. It was reported that approximately about Rs. 4.00 lacs is the expected expenditure on this meet. Out of which Rs. 2.00 Lacs would be spent from the alumni association fund and matching grant has been given by institute for meeting the expenses for hosting this alumni meet. The house approved the expenditure.

2. Formation of New Executive Body

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The existing Executive Body was dissolved and Dr. Lalit Kumar Awasthi, Dean (S&AA) was appointed as the Returning officer for election of the new Executive Body. Following new office bearers were elected unanimously by the General Body:

3. Formation of New Chapters

The members of the house showed keen interest in the formation of new local chapters of alumni association at certain locations. Finally, General body resolved to start a few more Local Chapters of Alumni Association. At the same time it was stressed upon the existing local chapters to remain active and carry out certain activities as per their charter. House was appraised that a lead is being taken by Amitabh Dutta and they are planning to open a Calcutta Chapter of Alumni Association. Also, Raaj Nagpal showed interest in opening new Chapter at Bhopal. The general body approved as above.

4. Feed Back of visit to Department

The alumni visited their respective departments on first day of Alumni Meet i.e. on 2nd October 2009. They were apprised of the developments in the department and discussion with the faculty and staff was also held. In these meetings, alumni proposed suggestions for improvement and the departments requested them to extend support on certain counts. Following are the main points discussed in the departments and agreed to by the Alumni:

- a. Development of advance technology laboratories in the departments.
- b. Help for industrial training during Summer and placement of the graduating students at their work places
- c. Delivery of experts lectures by alumni so that the students can be benefited.
- d. Participation in conducting short term programmes as resource persons as well as delegates.
- e. Improvement of course curriculum and other quality education related issues.

5. Activities of the Local Chapters

After deliberation in the general body it was decided that all local chapters shall extend help and join hands with their Alma Mater to further improve its brand image. It was decided that all the local chapters shall carry out certain activities on regular basis and shall remain in touch with the main body of the association.

6. Frequency & Date of Alumni Meet

The issues were discussed at length. And finally it was decided that Alumni Meet at Hamirpur shall be organized once in two years. The date of holding General body meet at Hamirpur is fixed on First Week end i.e. Saturday & Sunday of October. The possibility of holding general body meet by the local chapters was also explored, but general body was of varied opinion on this issue and the decision was left on the Local Chapter.

Next Alumni Meet will be held on first Sat. & Sunday of October 2011. It will be a Silber Jubli Function.

7. Creation of Alumni Fund

It was decided to create a separate account for the Alumni Fund. The fund would be raised through the contributions from the alumni. It was decided that the local chapters would also contribute regularly depending upon the number of members with it. The document prepared for creation and utilization of alumni Fund was accepted and adopted by the general body with minor modifications. The suggestive modifications would be incorporated document and uploaded again on the institute website. A major modification included the restructuring of the committee for utilization of the alumni fund. It was decided that in addition to president as chairman, General Secretary and Finance Secretary of the association's main body shall also be the members. The general house also nominated following three members from outside the institute to be the members of this committee for next two years. It was decided that at least two out of three should at least attend the meeting of committee.

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It was decided to start with from year 2010 to institute one scholarship of worth Rs 10,000/- annually to needy student, as would be decided by the committee contained in document related to alumni fund.

It was further decided that contribution to the fund shall be voluntary and the same shall be displayed on website.

It was also decided that the account number for making contribution shall be displayed on the alumni website. Each contributor shall intimate the office bearers regarding the contributions made so that an account can be maintained. It was also decided to initiate the procedure to get a rebate in the income tax on all such contributions made by the alumni.

8. Membership to the Faculty members

The idea of giving membership of Alumni association to the interested faculty members of NIT Hamirpur was also discussed, and house opined to defer the decision till next general body meeting

9. Alumni Newsletter

It was decided that alumni news letter shall be brought out on regular basis depending upon the information received. All the members present were requested to send such news and it was decided to spread this message to all those not present.

10. Feed Back about the Alumni Meet and other Issues

All Alumni were requested to submit a feed back form to provide suggestions for improvement in organization for such meets and Alumni Association activities. They were also requested to give their willingness for participation in Institutional development activities, such as training, Placement, Laboratory development, introduction of new course, delivery of expert lectures etc.