

Minutes of the Annual General Body Meeting held on 12-01-2013.

The meeting started with a silent prayer at 2.30 pm in the Auditorium. Dr. S.D Madhu Kumar Secretary gave the welcome speech. Secretary mentioned the need for parents to visit the Institute frequently and interact with faculty and wardens of the hostels. He also suggested that the parents may make surprise visits to the hostels. He highlighted the unique features of NITC like qualified and committed faculty members, strike free campus which never gets affected by Hartals , bandths etc.

Dr. V.K Govindan, president CREC PTA launched the web page of CREC PTA - <http://www.nitc.ac.in/crecepta> . In his presidential address, he informed the parents about the constraints within which the academic activities of the Institute are progressing. He sited the sudden increase in the student intake, and the delay in expanding the infrastructure facilities for that increase caused these situation. He has also described the new plans the Institute is taking for improving the curriculum. Also he pointed out that the Institute is trying for academic tie ups with Industry and other good Universities in India and aboard.

Secretary presented the minutes of the last AGM and it was approved by the general body. He also presented the summary of the activities of PTA during the last year.

Mr. Raghu C.V, Joint Secretary cum Treasurer, presented the audited financial report for the year 2011-12. This was also approved by the General Body. He also presented the budget for the financial year 2012-2013 and was approved by the General Body. The general body suggested that these documents may be distributed among the PTA members in advance.

Dr. C. Muraleedharan, presented his experience as Dean students and previous Chief warden, about the indiscipline seen among a small fraction of the student community. He requested help from parents in improving this situation. He also pointed out that a fraction of students are giving over emphasis for non-academic activities in the campus.

Dr. S. Jayaraj, Chief warden in his address reported the new initiatives from the hostel side. He admitted that there are problems with the student accommodation and temporarily the Institute is giving the newly constructed faculty apartments for students. He also told that once the construction of the mega hostel is completed the current accommodation problems can be solved. He suggested that the parents should not blindly fulfill all the requests from their wards like requests for bike, laptops etc. He also suggested that the parents should watch their wards regularly on their CGPA, money handling etc. he also suggested that the parents should keep contact with faculty Advisors and wardens.

Mr. A. Selvam in his address, told that PTA can act as a bridge between the parents and the teachers. He also told that the initiatives for department level PTA meetings is a good move. He emphasized on the parents responsibility in bringing up the wards.

Mr. Suresh Kumar DB, in his address, told parents to watch their wards activities and ask them to take maximum advantage of the good campus atmosphere available at NITC. He shared his own positive experience of his son who graduated from NITC, now working in the US after doing higher studies from University of Illinois.

Mr. K.C Sasidhar, M. Balaji Nayak , Zainul Abid. P were nominated as the new executive members for the PTA Executive committee. Dr. P.S Sathi Devi, was nominated for representing the parents of Final year B.Tech students as there were no nominations came from the final year parents. It was decided to get the nominations from the Head of the Departments for filling up the one remaining vacancy in the PTA executive.

In the open discussion there came many suggestions from the parents. A summary of the points raised are given below.

- Rules and Regulations should be forcefully implemented without any dilution. Parents will fully support all such actions
- Parents stressed the need for general cleanliness in the hostel rooms, need for tight security, proper and timely handling of illegal activities of students etc.
- Some parents shared their worries about the in disciplinary activities which they fear are happening in the hostel rooms.
- Parents expressed their willingness to work with the wardens and faculty to control the in disciplinary activities in the hostels.
- Some parents pointed out the difficulties the first year students are facing from the senior students during activities like Taththva and Ragam.

Mr. M.P Madhavan proposed the vote of thanks and the meeting came to and end at 5.00 pm. Around 260 members attend the meeting including parents and teachers.

