

GAABESU -119th EC Meeting

Date: 20th April 2024
Time: 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm



Global Alumni Association of Bengal Engineering and Science University, Shibpur

Place	The 119 th EC9 meeting was held on 20 th April, 2024 at GAABESU Office and online through ZOOM bridge.
Subject	119 th Executive Committee meeting of GAABESU (4 th EC9 meeting)
Present	<p>Prosenjit Chakraborty - Secretary Vinod Kumar Singh - Joint Secretary Tapendu Mandal - Member Parnab Sinha - Member Netai Ch. Dey - Member Syama Prasad Datta - PI Anjan Ghosh (Invited)</p>
Online	<p>Amitabha Datta - President Arabinda Roy - Working President Niharendu Biswas - Vice President Malay Niyogi - Treasurer Sukanta Kumar Roy - Member Anjana Ganguly Roy - Ex-officio Member Manoj Kar - Member Debal Banerjee - Member Sushanta Sinha - Member Biswajit Sengupta - Member Partha Sarathi Majumder - Member Arun Deb - PI</p> <p>GAABESU Office Tultul Roy - Office Manager Sourav Kayal - Office Assistant</p>
Absent	List Attached

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Agenda:

1. Confirmation of minutes of 118th EC meeting held on 10th February 2024 - Amitabha Datta
2. All Sub-committee activities;
3. Discussions on Pre-election Charter
4. Reintroducing Farewell & Welcome program
5. Planning for Scholarship/AFE/ Research Award Process Update; - Prosenjit Chakraborty
6. Scholarship Ceremony report - Prosenjit Chakraborty
7. Update of the website; - Sushanta Sinha
8. Introduction of EE Memorial Lecture - Prosenjit Chakraborty
9. Status on Finance; - Arabinda Roy/Malay Niyogi
10. Update on joining of New Members (if any) - Prosenjit Chakraborty
11. Any other issue with the permission of the chair

Previous Meeting's Action Items

Action Item	Assigned To	Due Date	Status
Scholarship / AFE Interview and result	Prosenjit Chakraborty/ Rajdeep Datta	February - March	Completed
Invitation to Director for Scholarship distribution Ceremony	Amitabha Datta	February	Done
Invitation to all members, donors, HOD, DEANS for scholarship distribution ceremony.	GAABESU OFFICE	February	Done

Minutes - Topics Discussed

At the beginning, President Amitabha Datta welcomed all EC Members & PIs attending physically and over ZOOM Bridge Call, for participating in the 119th Executive Committee meeting of GAABESU.

Agenda Items:**1. Confirmation of minutes of 118th EC meeting held on 10th February 2024**

The Minutes of the previous EC meetings were circulated in advance to all members for review. There were no further comments. Syama Prasad Datta proposed to accept the Minutes and it was approved by the members.

2. All Sub-committee activities;

President Amitabha Datta requested Secretary Prosenjit Chakraborty to discuss the activities of various sub-committees. Secretary, in turn, requested Manoj Kar, the convener of the Alumni Link committee to share his proposal. Manoj Kar reported that the Alumni Link magazine is now published regularly. Manoj Kar reported that the Alumni Link magazine is now published regularly. Target is to publish 4 publications in a year, 3 soft copy and one hard copy. We have already published 3 issues, one in Alumni Day, one in Puja and one in Bengali Nababarsha. The next issue will be published in July. He raised 4 points to upgrade the Alumni Link. He wanted the feedback from the EC members and from the readers. Other points are leadership monitoring, advertisement and activity report in alumni link. Vinod Singh said that he managed to post the GAABESU related news to social networking sites. Sukanta K Roy

gave some good suggestions to improve alumni link and advised to contact the editor of the magazine "Sahityika".

The present website which is now under upgradation also must have a Comment Section where readers can put their comments / suggestions etc. but in a guarded way so that the facility is not misused. In addition there has to be an indicator like numbers of readers etc. Debal Banerjee explained to Sushanta Sinha (who was assigned by EC to look after all IT/website related issues), to add some mechanism in our new website. Manoj Kar suggested 4 points which is type to modernization of our website. No metrics and feedback mechanism are there, which we have to add. We can put advertisement and activity report of GAABEU in the Alumni Link. Sushanta Sinha updated the improvement of new website. In the new website we can see which page is accessed and how many times but in comment section there is a challenge whether alumni or everyone can put their comment or there should be a monitoring bar. It was suggested that the comment will not appear to the public before the admin approves it. No adverse comment will be published.

Because of no activity of other sub-committee members, there was no other subcommittee report to be placed.

3. Discussions on Pre-Election Charter;

Secretary read the EC9 (2023-25) CHARTER given below:

1. GAABESU - IEST Relationship: Establish a healthy and transparent line of communication with the Institute Administration under leadership of the incoming Director and engage in constructive exchange on infrastructure development, campus revitalization and ambience enhancements.
2. Infrastructure Project Fund Drive: Initiate a fund of Rs. 2/3 crores for an infrastructure project (agreed upon by the Director and EC9) to be accumulated from existing and new members.
3. Membership Drive: Increase the membership by 15% from what it is today.
4. Alumni Networking: Initiate and establish a professional networking focussed on activities to attract new alumni.
5. NIRF Ranking: Continue dialogue with the Institute Administration on preventing the current slide and improving NIRF ranking.
6. Institute Master Plan: Create a Campus Master Plan prepare a Detailed Project Report (DPR) for submitting to the Ministry of Education (MED).
7. Facilities Upgrade: Resurrect and implement the Richardson Hall Dining Room upgrade project spawned by EC8.
8. Student Assist Programme: Establish a Student Assist programme that would introduce the student bodies to the alumni chapters and propagate information on how alumni chapters can assist students aspiring for internship or higher education in other national and international academic institutions; liaise with specific alumni chapters in extending onboarding assistance to students.
9. Training & Placement: In consultation with the administration, engage alumni to (a) collaborate in Training & Placement, and (b) participate in periodic re-formulation of syllabus based on inputs from broader section of global alumni.

Secretary gave the update of 2 to 4 points; that one GAABESU representative (President) will meet with the new director appointed recently.

Membership drive is much better after formation of EC9. We have to improve it. We have a big role to play and touching the current batches from 90s to recent. We have to promote GAABESU to all current students. It will take time to know GAABESU but after few years they will recognize GAAEBSU. GAABESU can assist the student in startup, entrepreneurship, we can get some tangible or intangible assistance, then they will be willing to become a member. Sukanta Roy proposed to look at the proposal of Shreyan which is very informative. President suggested to make a relationship with the current students mainly 3rd year and 4th year. We have to give time to them. Suhsanta Sinha will join the

Business Meet of Rebeca on 21st April. All appreciated it.

Parnab suggested 1. To help the students for campus interview, 2. Help students for their regular difficulties. 3. Welcome new Director.

Alumni networking is a successful programme and a fantastic platform to market GAABESU all-round. 7 webinars have already held. All webinars held on GAABESU platform using member's connection, zoom platform etc. Debal Banerjee suggested to form a small committee for it. He is already involved it and suggest for few EC members to join it. President suggested that to involve current student marketing is very much important. Arun Deb suggested to find out some needy student and assist them to get a job after completion of his study so that his family get support form him/her.

Anjana Ganguly Roy got a feed back from a student that the university is closed on last week of the December when the Alumni Day programme is hold. Many members suggested to organize it in January first week.

Arun Deb suggested to the President to communicate with the new Director at an appropriate time.

4. Reintroducing Farewell & Welcome program

Secretary reported that one date is available for this programme which is May 7, but the accommodation of 650 students is not possible in any of the hall. Maybe it has to be organized in parts, say department wise. President requested Netai Ch. Dey, Tapendu Mondal and other members who are residing in and around the campus, to interact with the students and the professors and decide up on the venue and the date. Netai Ch. Dey suggested that the program be organized earlier to the hostel closing date i.e., approximately before 20th May. Finally, at the end it was concluded to have a small group meeting urgently in finalizing the programme.

5. Planning for Scholarship/AFE/ Research Award Process Update;

Secretary raised the topic of reconsideration of scholarship/AFE award process and also mentioned about various comments received from many members regarding upgradation and possible automation of (at least) part of the process, during creation of our new website. It was suggested that the Scholarship/AFE Award process document be taken up for review by a small committee, consisting of Debal Banerjee from Canada as Convenor and Anjan Ghosh & Prosenjit Chakraborty as members. This committee will compile all the comments received so far, request all members to provide further comments and then upgrade the document, keeping in mind, possible automation feasibility, in consultation with Sushanta Sinha & other IT experts involved. All the Donors as well as students shall also be approached for comments. Members present in the meeting, including Arun Deb, Amitabha Datta, Anjan Ghosh, Sukanta Roy, Anjana Ganguly Roy also gave their opinion. Arun Deb mentioned about smooth transition well before next year's award program. Anjan Ghosh highlighted successful operation for last 24 years, enormous contributions of Rajdeep Datta in running the program with helps from Swapan Saha in USA, but agreed with the requirement of upgradation & automation. Anjana Ganguly Roy mentioned about her earlier efforts on this topic as well as requested to consider her already given comments.

However, all the members unanimously agreed to go ahead with the proposals for modernization and automation of this Scholarship / AFE Award Process.

6. Scholarship Ceremony report;

Secretary started the topic of Scholarship/AFE/Research award and mentioned about the recently

completed award ceremony successfully held on 23rd March 2024. A comprehensive report has already been issued to 'All Members' and also put on website. Some of the students, who did not attend with no prior intimation, have applied to GAABESU for reconsideration. Some of the students directly approached the Donors/EC Members. Anjan Ghosh (as SSC Chairman) & Secretary met all the students before start of this EC meeting and discussed the matter in details. The students were asked to consider the feelings of Donor alumni, for their non-serious attitude. Students have agreed to submit unconditional apology to GAABESU Office only. These will be reviewed and possibly release the due money to respective recipients.

7. Update of the website;

Sushanta Sinha (who was assigned by EC to look after all IT/website related issues), reported that after receiving formal approval from the President and secretary that we can go ahead for making the new website, Sushanta Sinha took suggestions, feedback from Swapan Saha, Saumitra Sinha, Shreyan Nandy. They met with the website developer several times to build-up the new website. Some features made with Static contains, for membership profile validation, they are doing easy access. The developer already made the main menu bar and he gave his feedback on that. After one month i.e., in the end of May the navigation will be prepared. President requested him to send a short report on this development. He agreed.

8. Introduction of EE Memorial Lecture;

Secretary Proenjit Chakraborty proposed to the HOD of Electrical department to start a yearly Invitational Memorial lecture series at IEST-Shibpur, Electrical engineering department, in the memories of our great Teachers Dr. Sankar K. Sen, Prof. P.N. Banerjee (pnb), Dr. P. K. Nandi, Prof. Sakti Sekhar Basu (ssb), Prof. Srikumar Mallik (skm). The arrangements will generally be similar to Prof. P.K. Roy memorial lecture at IEST Civil dept, where alumni raised funds, donated to GAABESU and GAABESU organizes the program jointly with the department. He has already discussed the matter with Prof. Gautam Bandyopadhyay & Prof. Prasad Syam and both welcomed the idea. His proposal was also welcomed by Prof. Debjani Ganguly, Prof. Kanika Das Bhattacharya and Prof. Mainak Sengupta. Many other alumni across the globe & across batches, have also supported. We, the Alumni of IEST/BESU/B E College EE Department shall target to raise a suitable fund so that the interest would cover all expenses. 2 lectures in a year can be managed.

The proposal was accepted with gratitude by the HOD and the faculty members of the EE department in an internal meeting. After that a ZOOM meeting was held on 15th April between the EE department and selective GAABESU members. The minutes and other schedule chart will be circulated shortly.

9. Status on Finance;

Treasurer Malay Niyogi reported that the accounts of the F.Y. 2023-24 is almost completed and Sourav sent it to the office bearers along with the Auditor. The Audit will be started from Monday (22.04.2023). Secretary asked to Arabinda Roy whether he checked it or not. He replied that he checked.

Another demand case of 2017-18 which would be go for tribunal, we handed over the hard copy of appeal letter and other documents signed by Arabinda Roy, Working President to the Income tax consultant Lawyer which will be submitted physically. The online appeal has already been submitted.

Anjana Ganguly Roy wanted to know it as details, Arabinda Roy explained. She also said that the residual money of EGS seminar should be disbursed to a seminar organized by Barun Basak and Arup Bhattacharya or to Arup Bhattacharya's personal account. Prosenjit Chakraborty said that he will talk with Arup Bhattacharya and close the loop.

10. Update on joining of new membership (if any)

Secretary reported that 4 new members have joined GAABESU during February to March 2024 period. The names are as given below:

Membership February'24		
Name	Year	Dept
Sunando Dasgupta	1981	ARC H
Arijit Baral	2009	EE
Membership March'24		
Name	Year	Dept
Kingshuk Ranjan Das	1996	EE
Susmita Pal	1995	EE

EC welcomed them to GAABESU.

11. Any other issue with the permission of the chair

Secretary reported that there are two issues to be raised:

- Susmita Pal, a new member from 1995 batch informed that they (1995 batch) raised a fund for Scholarship. All members welcome her proposal.
- One alumnus Subir Dey from 1976 batch wanted to donate Rs. 1 Lakh per year to a needy but meritorious student from Civil department. 2 needy students already recognized from Civil department, will be finalized shortly.
- Vinod Singh reported that due sponsorship/ Advertisement of Alumni Day Rs. 2 lakhs from Indian Oil, Rs.10 thousand from NHPC has received recently. Amount 90 thousand is due from 3 vendors.
- Anjana G Roy asked about the update of the project of "BE COLLEGE MEMORY - AS TOLD BY ALUMNI" Secretary replied that this initiative is stopped now. He needs some volunteer to complete it. Manoj Kar agreed to volunteer. Prosenjit Chakraborty will send all the details to Manoj Kar.

There was no further point for discussion and the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Prosenjit Chakraborty

(Prosenjit Chakraborty)
Secretary EC9, GAABESU

Current Meeting's Action Items			
Action Item	Assigned To	Due Date	Status
Welcome the new Director	Amitabha Datta	April	
"BE COLLEGE MEMORY AS TOLD BY ALUMNI" update	Manoj Kar, Prosenjit Chakraborty	April	
Audit and Accounts	GAABESU OFFICE/ Malay Niyogi/ Arabinda Roy	April - May	
EE memorial lecture	Prosenjit Chakraborty	April - May	
Website Update	Sushanta Sinha	Ongoing	
Student connect	Parnab Sinha, Shreayan Nandi	Ongoing	

Attendance List of EC Members

P - Physical presence, C- Conference Call & A- Absent

Sl	Name	Year	Dept	Location	Mobile	e-mail	
1	Baidya Nath Roy	1965	ME	USA	7062673185	baidyaroy@gmail.com	A
2	Niharendu Biswas	1970	CE	Canada	519 969 1789	biswas@uwindsor.ca	C
3	Amitabha Datta	1974	CE	Kolkata	9830279446	dमितabha2005@gmail.com	C
4	Arabinda Roy	1976	ETC	Howrah	9434313049	oruroy@yahoo.co.in	C
5	Sukanta Kumar Roy	1977	ETC	Mumbai	9820223510	skroy56@yahoo.com	C
6	Indranil Sen	1980	Arch	Kolkata	9831385880	indranilsen.net@gmail.com	A
7	Manoj Kar	1980	ETC	Kolkata	9820609515	manojkar58@gmail.com	C
8	Malay Niyogi	1980	EE	Howrah	9433007628	malayn59@gmail.com	C
9	Biswajit Sen Gupta	1981	EE	USA	908397 4527	bsenguptaglobal@gmail.com	C
10	Partha Sarathi Majumder	1982	CE	Kolkata	9741747978	Partha.xtotal@gmail.com	C
11	Debal Banerjee	1984	EE	Canada	416 825 4112	debal.banerjee@gmail.com	C

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12	Netai Chandra Dey	1986	MIN	Howrah	8777697505	ncdey63@gmail.com	P
13	Prosenjit Chakraborty	1987	EE	Chinsura	9903103465	chakraborty_prosenjit@yahoo.co.in	P
14	Sushanta Sinha	1988	ETC	Kolkata	9830551724	sinhasu@yahoo.com	C
15	Vinod Kumar Singh	1999	ME	Kolkata	9831037137	vinodsingh2026@gmail.com	P
16	Tapendu Mandal	2004	MET	Campus	8777699942	tapendu@gmail.com	P
17	Parnab Sinha	2012	CE	Kolkata	9831505570	prnb.sinha@gmail.com	P
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1.	Anjana Ganguly Roy	1977	ETC	Mumbai	9820285216	anjanagr@hotmail.com	C
2.	Sitansu Sekhar Ghosh	1980	ME	Howrah	9830853672	Sitansughosh1958@gmail.com	A
PI							
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	Achyut Ghosh	1961	ME	Salt Lake	98365 73143	ghosh.achyut@gmail.com	A
	Syama Prasad Datta	1967	CE	Salt Lake	9830292214	spdatta1@gmail.com	P
	Shreyan Nandy	2012	MET	Kolkata	9836391651	shreyan.besu.met@gmail.com	A