RECAL takes stock of its executed activities and plans for the next year during the recently concluded AGM at NIT Trichy.

REC/NIT Trichy Alumni Association (RECAL) conducted the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in NIT Trichy on Saturday, September 8th 2018. Mr. M. Krishna Sai, RECAL President, welcomed the gathering and gave brief overviews of RECAL Association and RECAL Foundation and its activities. Mr. Krishna Sai mentioned that the construction of the RECAL Middle School in the Campus was the first major initiative taken up by RECAL at a cost of Rs. 65 Lakhs. He also mentioned that the IoT (Internet of Things) Lab and the SCIEnT (Student Centre for Innovation in Engineering and Technology) Lab were set up by the Alumni for the benefit of the students. Through the RECAL Foundation 69 Scholarships worth Rs. 17.96 Lakhs were disbursed to the students during the last academic year.

Mr. M. Manikandan, RECAL Secretary presented the Activities Report for 2017-18. The highlights were:

- RECAL Chapters in Chennai, Bangalore, Trichy, USA (East Coast & Bay Area), Delhi, Architecture had conducted their Chapter meetings in 2017-18. Formation/Renewal of new RECAL chapters were initiated in Mumbai, Jaipur, Pune, Ahmedabad, Kochi, Hyderabad, UAE & Singapore.
- Prof S.K.Ramesh 1981 ECE Alumnus graced the Inauguration Function of IEEE Students Branch of NIT Trichy as the chief guest on 25th May 2018. He also signed a MoU on behalf of EPICS PURDUE USA, IEEE.
- Solar Plant (10 KW) was donated by the 1980 Batch of Alumni to the Institute on 13th July 2018 to power up the Administrative Block.
- 7 Distinguished Alumni Awards and 1 Young Achiever Award were given away during Convocation 2018 held on July 28th 2018.
- Swami Nirmalananda (YNS Bhasker Babu, 1993 Batch MME) visited Campus on 9th August 2018. He handled a session on “Art of Living” as a part of the First Year Orientation program.
- RECAL gave the best team trophies for the Institute events like Festember, NITTFEST & PRAGYAN. RECAL presented 50 Silver Medallions and one Overall Outstanding Student Award during Institute Day 2018 held on April 17th 2018.
The election for the RECAL Office Bearers for 2018-2020 was conducted and the following Alumni have been selected:
Mr M. Krishna Sai, 1990 ECE, President
Mr M. Manikandan, 2008 MBA, Secretary
Dr Parthiban, 2000 M.Tech Industrial Engg, Treasurer
Mr P N Subramanian, 1977 Mech, Vice President
Mr C J Kosalraman, 1996 Architecture, Vice President
Ms Padmapriya, 2015 M.Tech CSE, Joint Secretary
Dr S Jaya Nirmala, 2017 Ph.D CSE, Joint Secretary

The notable resolutions that were taken for adoption were:

- Having Alumni attend the AGM through Video Conferencing and also cast their votes electronically.
- To create a Not for Profit Organization in USA for administering the Chapter Activities in USA and also to raise funds for the various activities of the RECAL Foundation.
- Plan for a Global Alumni Meet (GAM) of NIT, Trichy at Chennai on January 4th 2020. The GAM is expected to have 1000 Alumni present from across the globe with a focus on Entrepreneurship Development, Start Ups and recognizing eminent Alumni for their contributions to academia, entrepreneurship and corporate.
- The RECAL Association audited accounts for 2017-18 were passed and the Budget for 2018-19 was approved.

Dr. Mini Shaji Thomas, Director, NIT Trichy addressed the AGM and requested RECAL to form more Chapters across the globe and talked in detail about AIIC (Alumni Institute Interactive Cell) that has been formed and is already functioning to complement the activities of RECAL and also to reach out the Corporates for channelling their CSR activities. Dr. Mini Thomas said “NIT Trichy is very fortunate to have leading luminaries as its alumni and is very keen to utilize their passion to give back to the college”. Dr. Mini Thomas also mentioned about the support provided by the Students for the Kerala Relief Efforts by sending 500 electricity distribution boards to Kerala since many houses have lost wiring and electrical components. Dr. Mini Thomas also made a request to RECAL to support the Kerala relief efforts by augmenting more funds for the Kerala Relief Efforts.
The trustees of the RECAL Foundation also decided to donate Rs. 1 Lakh towards providing the electricity distribution boards for Kerala Flood Victims. It was also decided that the RECAL will do a fund raising campaign amongst Alumni to raise more funds for Kerala relief efforts. The AGM ended with M. Manikandan proposing the Vote of Thanks.

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