# CITY PRIDE SCHOOL **EXECUTIVE - PTA** MEETING-I MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Day & Date: Thursday, 27.05.2021

The online meeting of Executive Body of PTA was called on Thursday 27.05.2021 at 1:00 pm for the year 2021-2022

The list of the members present online is attached herewith.

#### Agenda:

- Welcome
- Reading of MOM of Last EPTA meeting 2020-2021
- Introduction of New E-PTA Committee 2021-2022
- Selection of Office Bearers 2021-2022
- Any other point with the permission of Chairperson
- Vote of Thanks

#### 1. Welcome:

Principal Mrs. Maya Sawant welcomed all the E-PTA members of the academic year 2021-2022

## 2. Reading of MOM of last E-PTA meeting- 2020-2021

Ms. Maya Sawant, Principal, mentioned that the last E - PTA members were a part of the committee for two years. As per the Government norms and due to the pandemic situation the same E-PTA committee was continued in 2019-20 and 2020-2021. The last E-PTA committee meeting was conducted in the month of April 2021 . She read out the MOM of last E-PTA to the new committee members for their reference.

She further mentioned the now in the year 2021-2022 a new committee will be constituted.

### 3. Introduction of New E-PTA Committee 2021-2022

Ms. Maya Sawant, Principal, explained the constitution of E-PTA Committee for the academic year 2021-2022 for Std 1st to 11th. She explained the process of receiving the self- nomination forms from the parents for forming the new E-PTA Committee for the academic year 2021-2022. This year school received only the required number of nomination forms, hence no draw to constitute the E-PTA committee was required. The list was shared with the members. Every member introduced himself/herself to the committee members.

Chairperson - School Principal: Mrs Maya Sawant

School Management Representative: Dr. Ashwini Kulkarni

| Category of Nomination | Name of the Person |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Parent of the School   | Mrs Bharti Bhatia  |
| Parent of the School   | Mrs Nehaa Duggal   |
| Parent of the School   | Dr Pushkar Khair   |
| Parent of the School   | Dr Padmaja Kore    |
| Parent of the School   | Mrs Sneha Bidkar   |
| Parent of the School   | Mrs Seema Ovhal    |

| Parent of the School   | Mrs Vineeta Kankhar       |  |
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| Parent of the School   | Mrs Purnima Modhave       |  |
| Parent of the School . | Dr Anupama Bomble         |  |
| Parent of the School   | Mr Vishwajeet Harugade    |  |
| Parent of the School   | Mrs Maya Sathe            |  |
| Parent of the School   | Mrs Rakhee Chorbele       |  |
| Parent of the School   | Mrs Sonali Brahme         |  |
| Teacher of the School  | Mrs Philicina Thakur      |  |
| Teacher of the School  | Mrs Teena Ahuja           |  |
| Teacher of the School  | Mrs Pallavi Choudhari     |  |
| Teacher of the School  | Mrs Janhavi Kadlaskar     |  |
| Teacher of the School  | Mrs Juveria Inamdar       |  |
| Teacher of the School  | Mrs Aarti Tekchandani     |  |
| Teacher of the School  | Mrs Suvarna Sahastrabudhe |  |
| Teacher of the School  | Mrs Swati Swamy           |  |
| Teacher of the School  | Mrs Divya Pillai          |  |
| Teacher of the School  | Mrs Rasika Kulkarni       |  |
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## 4. Selection of Office Bearers 2021-2022

For Vice Chairperson and Joint Secretary, members voluntarily showed interest. Ms. Bhatia was selected as Vice Chairperson E-PTA and Ms. Duggal as Joint Secretary E-PTA. Also the other office bearers from teachers were self nominated as follows

| 1 | Chairperson      | Mrs Maya Sawant           | Principal |
|---|------------------|---------------------------|-----------|
| 2 | Vice Chairperson | Ms. Bharati Bhatia        | Parent    |
| 3 | Secretary        | Mrs Suvarna Sahastrabudhe | Teacher   |
| 4 | Joint Secretary  | Ms. Nehaa Duggal          | Parent    |
| 5 | Joint Secretary  | Ms Janhavi Kadlaskar      | Геаcher   |

5. Ms. Maya Sawant, Principal, explained the purpose of having an E-PTA committee in the school and also the role and responsibilities of E-PTA committee. She mentioned that we all as a part of this committee can help in the smooth functioning of the school. Every member can put forth his/her opinion and suggestion for the betterment of the school.

She further announced that the school will re-open from 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and it will be a full day online school. She further stated that school will conduct lab activities, online sports exercises and performing arts also as per kids demand

6. Dr. Ashwini Kulkarni, the Management representative, announced that we have received our extension of affiliation for Senior Secondary Classes for the next five years, upto year 2027.

She also announced that from this year we will start our Senior Secondary School –Std 11<sup>th</sup> with CBSE curriculum. Maya Sawant introduced Ms. Net e Kalkarni as the new Vice Principal of the school.

Ms Maya Sawant mentioned about the Virtual Summer camp organised by the school for the primary section classes in the month of May. Students enjoyed all the activities. She also mentioned about the English Department activities conducted for classes Std 6th to std 10th.

Dr Ashwini Kulkarni asked the committee members to share their views. She also asked for the feedback and response of the summer camp and English department activities conducted by the school in the month of May 2021 during vacation.

**Response** - Ms. Seema Oval- Parent member informed that it was very helpful to keep children engaged during vacation and to develop their creativity in the area of their interest.

- 7. Dr. Khair Parent member appreciated the efforts taken by teachers for the effective reading and writing development of the children though it was a paradigm change from physical to online teaching. The same was supported by Dr. Ms. Bomble.
- 8. Dr. Ashwini Kulkarni, Management Representative, stated that the last fee hike took place in 2018 and after that it was supposed to be increased by 15% in 2020-2021 which was informed to the parents six months prior i.e. in the academic year 2019. However due to the parent's request during the pandemic, the school had decided unanimously not to implement the approved fee rise for the academic year 2020-2021. There by reversing the rise of fees by 15%, it was decided that the approved fees will be implemented in 2021-2022.

She further mentioned that all teaching staff was paid full salary in year 2020-21 and the salary increment was differed to the year 2021-22 which was decided in the previous year itself. Thus, this pending increment has been implemented from the academic year 2021-2022.

She also presented details of income & expenditure account showing the heads of expenses reduced, due to no physical school.

Mrs. Maya Sawant stated that considering genuine cases, school is ready to support the parents suffering from financial losses. Such parents need to write an application to school stating their exact problem so that the school will be able to help them by waving off certain part of fees or also by increasing the duration of installment for payment of fees as per their convenience.

She further stated that up till now total 103 parent have not paid the fees for the academic year 2020-21 But unfortunately only 12 parents have submitted their applications for the same. We urge the remaining parents to submit their applications if they genuinely need support from the school. She requested the parent members to communicate the same to such parents.

Dr, Ashwini Kulkarni informed that in spite of non payment of fees, no child was prohibited from attending online classes or from appearing for any exam.

During the meeting when asked for the parent's and teacher's opinions and suggestions, following pointes were mentioned.

 Dr. Khair- Parent member appreciated the teachers as the pillars of the school and have taken equal efforts and have done a commendable job during the pandemic He also appreciated Management's decision to monetarily reward the faculty members.

He further added that certain set of parents were of the opinion that there should not be increase in the fees as there have been layoffs at job places for certain parents or no increment in their salaries. At the same time a few parents were in favor of paying the increased fees, but feared that their willingness to pay could hurt sentiments of others who are unable to pay the fees due to financial difficulties.

He suggested that in any case the teachers need to be paid salary with due increments in year 2021 but school can save on remaining cost other than salary and pass on the benefit to parents.

- Dr. Bomble -.Parent member she was of the opinion that miscommunication from the representatives to other parents may create a confusion in them, without considering the fact that the school has fixed expenses to bear whether its running regular or online. She reiterated that considering the quality of education at City Pride School, the teachers must be given due salary increments that they deserve.
- Ms. Duggal- Parent member, added that school has reduced fee increments
  wherever it is possible not at the cost of the teacher's salary increase but have
  reduced the overheads thereby bearing the additional expenses or losses
  incurred if any. She further stated that it's the moral responsibility of the
  parents to support the increments given to the teachers.
- Dr. Ashwini Kulkarni, management representative, stated that it was observed that certain parents were not in favor of giving salaries to certain individuals who according to them were non productive like tai's or triver's. However she strongly recommended that we need to pay salaries to them as well in these difficult times and cant remove them as it does not fit in school ethics and also in the policy of the organization. She further added that the though certain activities like computer, laboratory work or sports was not conducted physically, still all these activities were conducted online in our school. All the sports teachers, computer teachers, lab assistants, skill lab teachers were paid full salaries in year 2020-21. She supported her statement by showing the actual figures to the members.
- Mrs. Philicina Thakur, teacher representative thanked the parents for their appreciation for the hard work put in by the teachers in the past year. She on behalf of teachers thanked the school management to support online teaching by providing excellent platform like MS teams and also providing laptops to teachers for online teaching.
- Ms. Bidkar-Parent member expressed that the parent representatives from E-PTA body supports the views of school management whole heartedly. She was of the opinion that if the view point of school is put forward effectively and logically to the representative parents from each class, they would also agree that the fees fixed for 2021 -22 is justified. Thus it was decided to conduct a meeting of representative parents from each class with the school management so that we could understand the feelings of parents at large. Dr. Ashwini kulkarni assured that such meeting will be conducted withing next 7 days by inviting at least 2 members from each class.

9. Ms Sawant - Principal stated that City Pride School is committed to provide best of the education to the students and has led by example by standing strong for its teachers during this pandemic which are school's morals and ethics. Further she informed parents that school had thought of returning the amount of the material like Icard, Authority Cards, calendar, Magazine, class photos, planner etc

material like Icard, Authority Cards, calendar, Magazine, class photos, planner etc which is not provided to the students due to non physical school, but parents requested instead of returning the money school can carry on the amount to next academic year and use it once the physical school starts, which was agreed by the school. She further added that school did not charge for transport fees or breakfast through out the year though we paid salaries to all the employees like drivers, tais etc. involved in this service.

She also reminded parents that like the previous year2020 children are not required to buy uniform and shoes in 2021 as well, till the time school starts physically

10. Finally, Ms. Maya Sawant, Principal, mentioned that the Std 10<sup>tl</sup> Board results will be declared by end of June 2021 or beginning of July 2021 as per the guidelines given by CBSE board.

11. Ms. Suvarna Sahastrabuddhe, Secretary E -PTA, extended the vote of thanks.

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