# **CITY PRIDE SCHOOL – NIGDI BRANCH**

## **Executive Committee of Parent Teacher Association (EPTA) 2022-2023**

## Minutes of 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting

Day and Date: Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2022, Venue: School Seminar Hall

Time: 12:30 pm

The first Executive Committee of Parent Teacher Association (EPTA) 2022-2023 was conducted on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at 12.30 pm in the school seminar hall. Chairperson Mrs Maya Sawant read out the agenda of the meeting.

Agenda –

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Confirmation of last MOM 31.03.2022
- 3. Introduction of New E-PTA Committee 2022-2023
- 4. Selection of Office Bearers 2022-2023
- 5. Discussion and Sharing of thoughts
- 6. Any other point with the permission of the Chairperson
- 7. Vote of Thanks

### 1) <u>Welcome -</u>

Mrs. Maya Sawant, Chairperson of the EPTA extended a warm welcome to all the members of the Executive Committee of PTA 2022-2023 of City Pride School Nigdi branch.

### 2) <u>Confirmation of last MOM –</u>

Mrs Maya Sawant – Chairperson read out the minutes of the meetings of last E-PTA meeting, which was conducted on Thursday 31.03.2022. E-PTA. All the members unanimously confirmed the MOM of the last meeting.

### 3) Introduction of New EPTA Committee 2022-2023 -

Chairperson Ms. Maya Sawant, requested all the members to introduce themselves. Ms. Maya Sawant, Chairperson, explained the purpose of creating this E-PTA committee which has been formed as per the rules and regulations of the Govt norms RNI No. MAHENG / 2009 / 35528 dated Monday  $26^{th}$  August 2019 for the smooth functioning of the school. She mentioned that it is a mandatory body for the better functioning and communication between the school and parents. Every member introduced himself/herself to the committee.

Sr	Class	Parent Member	Class	Teacher Member
1	Ι	Ms. Shravani Patil	Ι	Ms. Christina D'Souza
2	II	Ms. Varsha Ananthraman	II	Ms. Swapna Khune

The New EPTA Committee 2022-2023 list was shared with the members.

3	III	Dr. Chetana Karnawat	III Ms. Trupti Pardhe		
4	IV	Dr. Pallavi Gholap	IV Ms. Pallavi Baliga		
5	V	Dr. Sharau Bothe	V Ms. Swapna Khanapurkar		
6	VI	Ms. Sarika Mathur	VI	Ms. Rupali Zope	
7	VII	Ms. Asha Shete	VII	Ms. Padmaja Sathye	
8	VII	Ms. Indira Prakash	VII		
9	VIII	Ms. Nalini Mishra	VIII	Ms. Sheetal Chinnannvar	
10	VIII	Dr Pallavi Lunawat	V III		
11	IX	Ms. Rupali Patil	IX	Ms. Poonam Gupta	
12	IX	Ms. Neha Samant	IA	Wis. I oonanii Oupta	
13	Х	Ms. Sonali Gawande	Х	Ms. Velamma Dass	
14	XI	Mr. Satish Pawar	XI	Ms. Amruta Dike	
15	XII	Ms. Smital Bardiya	XII	Ms. Leena Jadhav	

# 4) Selection of Office Bearers 2021-2022 –

Chairperson Maya Madam explained the constitution of E-PTA. She invited members to voluntarily come forward for the post of Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Joint Secretary.

For Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Joint Secretary, members voluntarily showed Interest by raising their hands. Mrs Indira Prakash was selected as a Vice Chairperson and Mrs Shravani Patil as Joint Secretary from Parent members and Mrs Leena Jadhav as the Secretary and Mrs Padmaja Sathye as Joint Secretary from Teacher members

1	Chairperson	Mrs Maya Sawant - Principal		
2	Vice Chairperson	Ms. Indira Prakash _ Parent		
3	Secretary	Mrs Leena Jadhav - Teacher		
4	Joint Secretary	Ms. Shravani Patil - Parent		
5	Joint Secretary	Ms. Padmaja Sathye - Teacher		

The names of Office Bearers were read out by Chairperson Mrs Maya Sawant. All the other members of E-PTA agreed, accepted and confirmed the office bearers.

She further explained the rules and responsibilities of the members and office bearers, and mentioned that the E-PTA meetings will be conducted once in every three months. Everyone will be intimated fifteen days before the meeting. Important school related issues and concerns will be taken up in the meeting. Members are free to give their valuable feedback on the processes followed at school.

### 5) Discussion and sharing of thoughts -

All members shared their views about the school and shared their experience with the school.

- Mrs. Asha Shete Parent representative of class VII, appreciated the school. She being a government officer, her job is transferable. But she did not want to shift her child to another school because he was very comfortable in this school environment.
- Mrs. Indira Prakash Parent representative of class VII, assured that whatever she could contribute she will do so whole heartedly for the school.
- Mrs. Amruta Dike Teacher representative of class XI, praised the far-sightedness of the management and how it helped in the smooth functioning of the school by introducing the Top school, Microsoft Teams. She mentioned that during the lockdown period online teaching learning process went on smoothly for all only because we had the licence of Teams and sufficient training was given to all the teachers, parents and students to handle the situation smoothly.
- Mrs. Rupali Zope -Teacher representative of class VI, appreciated the management and mentioned how other school parents were keen in knowing how City Pride School conducted its online classes.
- Mrs. Christina D'Souza Teacher representative of class I, too appreciated the school for giving her a second chance to work as a teacher. She spoke about the tremendous growth of the school in the past twenty years. She spoke about the other additional support given by the management to enrich the children's knowledge, apart from regular curriculum, such as the introduction of the Karadi Path a program that enriches listening and speaking skills.
- Mrs. Trupti Pardhe Teacher representative of class III, spoke about her own growth in the school in the past 16 years. She acknowledged that her progress was due to the opportunities given by the school.
- Mrs. Leena Jadhav Teacher representative of class XII, appreciated the management for giving her ample opportunities to grow in the school. She thanked them for their vision and for not cutting the salaries of the teachers in the lookdown period. In fact, she added, salaries were raised the next year despite the school not reviving fees from all parents.
- Mrs Varsha Ananthapuram Parent representative of class II, lauded Dr. Ashwini Kulkarni for upholding the quality over everything else. She assured that she would make herself available for any help required.
- Mrs Maya Sawant Chairperson, asserted that ideas may come from her but its • smooth implementation takes place because of teachers. She appreciated teachers for their work in all these years and especially during the two online years. She lauded the support staff too for braving the situation during the online mode skilfully. Further she mentioned that the school is almost 20 years old and it has developed into three branches now. As such the main branch is quite old and hence its infrastructure constantly needs repairing. School has departments. Committees to handle the needs of the school. Every teacher is given a responsibility chart to ensure that minimum competency of every child should be developed so that every child moves ahead smoothly into the next class. To support our teaching learning process, we have Khan Academy, Creya, Discovery, Karadi Path, NIE newspaper, etc. Parents must participate in knowing how these work in the school. She shared that we are doing more than what the government expects. Thus, for a strength of over 2000 students we have a little over 200 teachers when actually CBSE proposes 1:5 teacher ratio. We need that many teachers as we have that many activities running in school for the holistic development of the child. Teachers are given less workload so that they can concentrate on their responsibilities and carry out their duties smoothly. She added an example of how school takes care of the need of the students and how it works to better its own infrastructure. The trolley system was introduced in the school when

parents brought lunch boxes to school but how to reach out those boxes to children was a problem. So the school immediately made section wise trolley stands for hanging the tiffins. This made the work easy for the tais to deliver the tiffins to various floors. The concept of trolley was also used to bring the tabs to the children in the class room instead of taking the students to the computer lab. We have selfcharged laptop trolleys which is a unique initiative by the school. She added that the school introduced Asset to understand the learning gaps in the students in the past two years, the results of which will be out soon. We wanted the true picture of every child's learning growth and not fabricate it to show the parents any wrong picture, unlike other schools who indulge in raising marks of students to show progress of school.

- Dr Ashwini Kulkarni Management Representative moved ahead and mentioned about fee increment. For all these ventures and teacher salary increment, the school will raise the fee in this academic year. She pointed out that fee was raised in 2018 which was then supposed to increase in 2020 However, due to the pandemic situation no such change was made in the fee. And further the fees did not rise and the same fee was continued for 2021 2022. The parents are already aware of this. The school helped the teachers in crisis management, it has also helped the parents in understanding their problems. Hence we will have to increase the fees for the academic year 2023-2024. Mrs. Maya Sawant Chairperson mentioned that even though there are some parents who have not paid fees, the school has asked them to come forward and speak out their problems so that they could be given some more time to pay fees.
- Maya Sawant Chairperson said that there is a reason why City pride School is one the most sought-after schools. It is because it has maintained quality in every aspect. When parents want admission, they do not cite reference of any minister, but that of other students who have passed out from this school. This is a great achievement in itself. She further explained that parents can freely raise any concern in the E-PTA. Raising concern is not a conflict. She assured that using technology will continue even in offline mode of teaching. Thus, parent's support will be required. A strong connection is expected for the betterment of the students.

#### 6) Any Other Points -

- a. Dr. Ashwini Kulkarni Management Representative mentioned that "We must not count the success of children by marks but by what they become in our life later." She stated that students must become good human beings. To develop empathy, opportunities must be given to students to mingle with children with lesser opportunities. As such the management has adopted a ZP school from Maval and we will work to support the teachers and students of that school in every way. So, our teachers, students will interact with them and help them in all ways. She asked parents to also get involved in this new venture. Their contribution will be of great help.
- b. Mrs Maya Sawant Chairperson further stated that ZEP children, who have learning challenge, visit our school twice a week. Our teachers and students are involved in teaching them. Yugma app was thus designed by our students to help them to learn in the language of their choice. She revealed that a new initiative that the school has undertaken is to invite celebrities in the field of Visual and performance art so that our students get a wider perspective of career to pursue in their future. It will be called KALAMANCH. This time

famous music composer and poet Dr. Salil Kulkarni will grace the occasion on July 1, 2022. Like this, every year at least two such celebrities will be invited to interact with students. Here, is where parents can contribute. Thus, some parents will be invited to KALAMANCH to exhibit their talent and skill.

#### 7) Vote of Thanks -

Finally, Maya Sawant - Chairperson thanked everyone for their presence and mentioned that the next meeting will take place after three months.

Mrs. Maya Sawant - Chairperson - E-PTA City Pride School, Nigdi, Pune.

