

Golden Jubilee School, Jalna

Minutes of the PTA Executive Committee Meeting held on 20th July 2017

Date: 20.07.2017

Venue: AVC, Golden Jubilee School, Jalna

Attendance:

Mr. P Suresh, Mrs. Sangeeta Pungle, Mrs. Soniya Mishrikotkar, Mrs. Rajkumari Bansode, Mrs. Deepti Jindal, Mrs. Rupai Bihani, Dr. Deepa Jarwal, Mr. Prasad Muley, Mrs. Shrikant Mahajan, Dr. Suraj Chavan, Mr. Sandeep Pise, Mr. Nitinkumar Agrawal, Mrs. Rakhee Kapoor, Mrs. Archana Kabra, Mr. Amol Dhole, Mrs. Usha Jha, Mr. Nitin Khajekar, Dr. Pradnya Deshpande, Mrs. Maya Devi Thakur, Mrs. Aarti Bhakkad, Mrs. Rathi Nair, Mr. Satyakumar Rathi, Mrs. Mini Nair, Mr. Parameshwar Sarate, Mr. Prashant Joshi (observer) and Mrs. Agnes Mascarenhas (observer).

Absentees:

Mrs. Laxmi Sabu, Dr. Swapnil Badjate, Mr. Anosh Athawale, Mrs. Preeti Mandhani, Mrs. Kavita Mantri

Agenda:

1. Reading out the rules.
2. Nomination of Vice- Chairperson and Joint Secretaries.
3. Briefing on the role of PTA Executive body.
4. Any other matter

Minutes of the meeting:

1. Reading out the general rules:

Principal read out the general rules laid down by the government for the formation and working of the PTA Executive body. It has a Chairperson who is the Principal. Vice-chairperson should be from among the parents. It needs to have a secretary from the teacher's side and two joint secretaries both from the parent's side. A member each from teachers and parents for each standard. A member from a reserved category i.e. either an SC or an ST should be there if possible. The list is to be displayed after the formation of the board. Term for PTA board is one (01) year. The Executive board should meet once three months.

2. Nomination of Vice-Chairperson and Joint- Secretaries:

When Principal asked parents to nominate one of the parents as Vice-Chairperson, Dr. Archana Kabra voluntarily came forward. Principal asked all the members whether they had any objection to her becoming the vice-chairperson. Seeing that no one objected she was nominated as the vice- chairperson. Same procedure was followed, and Mrs. Dipti Jindal and Mrs. Aarti Bhakkad were appointed as Joint-secretaries.

3. Role of PTA Executive Body:

Principal then went on to discuss the role of PTA Executive body. In this he particularly mentioned that though the government focuses mainly on discussing and approving the

fees, it is much more beyond that for the school. The school has already been using it as a tool for improvement in school, conducting different programmes for children, arranging career guidance talks for children and identifying the problems faced and overcoming them. He then asked the members what more could be done.

- a) **School Cinema:** He said that it is an activity to inculcate values in children and said that it costs Rs. 380/ child. He asked teachers about their feedback on the same to which Mini Ma'am replied in positive. All the parents consented to continue with the school cinema.
- b) **External examination:** Principal informed the parents that so far the school used to conduct different external examinations in the school and only the ASSET exam had been mandatory, but the school was thinking of making ICAS exam compulsory as it tested so many different skills in children viz: thinking, analytical, comprehension etc. unlike the ASSET exam. Parents agreed to have ICAS as mandatory right from class 4 and ASSET and other exams be optional.
- c) **Having Whatsapp group of the PTA board members:** Principal proposed to form whatsapp group of the members and everybody agreed to it.
- d) **Excursions:** Principal said that on account of the change in the reservation policy by the railways it has become virtually impossible to organize long tours. So the school was planning to have a short two (02) day tour to Hyderabad. One day for Ramoji Film city or Wonderla and the other day for Hyderabad. One of the parents suggested that the tour should be of 3 days. Principal said that we could give an option of three days and take a decision based on the response of the children. Mrs. Kabra said that they should also be taken to the zoo. Principal said that time was an issue, and depending on the availability of time we could try to accommodate it..
- e) **Other activities:** Principal proposed to have a workshop for parents. Esp. primary and pre-primary as they found it difficult to guide their children and deal with them effectively. For secondary it was a problem of dealing with adolescent children. All the parents agreed to having workshops.
- f) **Food:** Mrs. Jindal asked whether there was any major change in food menu to which Principal replied that it is only decided in the food council meet. Mr. Suraj Chavan wanted to know whether parents can be a part of food council meeting. Principal said there was no need of that as parents could make any suggestion at any time and that can be taken into consideration.

Suggestions by parents:


Principal then asked parent's whether they had any suggestions. Parents gave out their suggestions which are as follows:

1. **Dr. Archana Kabra** asked the details of the leadership training programme for class 9. Principal in his reply said that the school has been conducting this programme for class 9 for a long time now and said that it was a very good programme and helps in developing certain skills in children and informed parents that they could have the details of the programme if needed.
2. **Mr. Nitin Agrawal** suggested to have Aptitude development programme but Principal said that Aptitude could never be developed and went on to say that the school has been conducting Aptitude and Intelligence measurement test in collaboration with

Jnana Prabodhini , Pune, which is the best available in the region. However, this is an optional test and only children studying in the school can take it. Fee for the test is Rs. 1000/-

3. Mrs. Aarti Bhakkad informed that most of the parents do not want children to go back to the classes after games. To this the Principal said that it was always good for the teachers, however; it wasn't his discretion and it was for the management to decide.
4. Dr. Archana Kabra suggested to have a lecture by Dr. M. Savji on adolescent children for parents like the year before. Principal accepted the suggestion and said he'll see what could be done.

Meeting ended with the members signing out .


(Parmeshwar Sarate)
Secretary, PTA Executive Committee
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