



THE ICON PUBLIC SCHOOL
Minutes of the Parent Teacher Association Meeting (2022-23)

Date and Time: 1st Dec 2022 at 9.00 am

The following PTA members were not present for the meeting:

- 1. Mr. Akshay Deepak Bhalerao – Parent Representative – Class JKG**
- 2. Mrs. Carol Furtado – Parent Representative – Class SKG**
- 3. Dr. Rohit Gugale - Parent Representative – Class 5**
- 4. Mr. Tak Prahlad Sadashiv - Parent Representative – Class 8**
- 5. Mrs. Jayshree Karpe -Parent Representative – Class 10**

Minutes:

- **The meeting began by sharing the agenda.**

1. Mrs. Dipika Nagarwalla discussed the plans for the second term. The Edu fair is planned on 17th Dec and 18th Dec with a lot of educational games and competitions which are open to all age groups from different schools across the city.

2. The programme will be held for two days as a grand event in collaboration with an organization called Nanhagyan Foundation. All the competitions will be conducted on the first day and the results will be announced on the school page simultaneously. Prize Distribution and Award Ceremony will be held on the second day. The Healing Lite Awards could be nominated by various people who are from the different field of healing.

3. Teachers have started training students for various competitions and the smooth functioning of the game's stalls.

4. Sports Day is planned on the 22nd Dec, an event where all the final races, games and field events will be conducted. Thereafter the school will close for winter break till 1st Jan and the new session will start in the month of April.

5. Mrs. Dipika Nagarwalla added that the school is growing and there are some plans to cater for the next session. The computer lab on the second floor was added this academic year with 23 new computers and needs more addition so that 30 students can avail the facility during the class.

6. As per the new curriculum planned for the new session, the first-floor old computers will also be replaced with the new technology.

7. The outside stage is also being renovated for a large audience keeping in mind about the events in the future. The Annual Day for Grade JKG to Grade 2 was celebrated on 27th Nov 2022 in the Assembly area.

8. Col. R C Rana, our director has designed the furniture for the additional sections for the new academic session 2023.

9. The PTA members had taken an initiative in forming parallel WhatsApp groups which have proved to be very effective this year.

10. A lot of new competitions have been planned in the next session based on logical reasoning which will help children in competitive exams in future. Project Based Learning helped students to become independent workers, critical thinkers, and problem – solvers.

11. Due to increasing heat, load shedding, and frequent power outages, our school is planning to procure a new generator or have new solar panels in future. In addition to this the fee structure had been revised for the new academic session.

12. Col. R C Rana, our director explained the PTA members with the new revised fee structure for the AY-2023-24 with an increase of 13% in the cycle of 4 years as per the NEP and considering the upgradation of the school. The fee structure will be displayed on the administration board and uploaded on the school website.

13. Mrs. Aradhana Rana added that teachers are working with the institution for a long time on

sheer goodwill and they value the school ethos, it's time to recognize the hard work teachers put in everyday and raise their salaries.

14, Mrs. Geetanjali Diwani and Mrs. Dipi Agrawal supported the management and agreed that teachers are working hard after the school hours and the infrastructure / facilities are far better than schools in big cities who have nearly double the fee structure.

15. Col. R C Rana replied that the members should be aware that the fee structure as per the quality education and infrastructure provided in Ahmednagar is 1/3 of Pune.

16. Mrs. Dipika Nagarwalla highlighted that the connection between the students, teachers and management is very smooth and approachable as compared to schools in metropolitan cities. We must learn to value what the school is providing and parents are very happy to see their students perform.

17. Mrs. Khandelwal requested that the school should reopen in June instead of April due to summer heat. Col. R C Rana replied that the Ahmednagar has a very comfortable climate and very few working days in the month of April. The school timings will not change for winters too.

Mrs. Sagar Patwa suggested that remedial classes should be continued after the Diwali break. Mrs. Dipika Nagarwalla replied that the parents must recognize the fact that the children came to school after two years and it was a huge challenge to get them back on track till the month of July -Aug. Extracurricular activities are equally important as academics as it is built into the system.

18. Mr. Aditya Chandekar suggested to follow the water bell initiative -wherein the students drink adequate amount of water daily especially in the summer heat. Mrs. Aradhana Rana replied that the teachers are already following it informally as it is not possible to increase the bell timings as a reminder.

19. Mrs. Ashwini Jare highly appreciated the involvement of the students in the Project Based Learning Presentations and their performances on the Annual Day.

20. Mrs. Dipi Agarwal suggested if an Olympiad group learning can be formed with extra online classes in the evening. Mrs. Dipika Nagarwalla replied if the parent body can take the responsibility and take feedback from the parents. The school will then work accordingly seeing the parent's willingness and involvement. Also, the teachers are already conducting the Olympiad classes as per the timetable.

* Mr. Aditya Chandekar suggested if it is possible to implement Sanskrit as a third language in school. Col. R C Rana replied that the students are already learning three languages and we do not want to pressure them. Mrs. Dipika Nagarwalla added that as per the NEP, the formula of three language is going to be effective which means Marathi will continue being the state language.

* The PTA members were satisfied and signed on the new revised fee structure sheet. After the meeting the members attended the orientation for Computer Science and Robotics curriculum which will be introduced from the next session for Grade 3 -8

In conclusion Mrs. Dipika Nagarwalla gave the following suggestion:

PTA members are a bridge between the school authorities and parents. She suggested that parents should have a meeting of their class parents once in 03 months and convey the suggestions to us.

Vote of Thanks:

The meeting ended with the Principal, Mrs. Dipika Nagarwalla thanking the management, staff and the parent members warmly for their participation and presence in the meeting.

