

PODAR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL- CHINCHWAD

PARENTS TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Meeting

Parents Teachers Committee Meeting (PTA)

Virtual Meeting Date: 16th November 2024

Venue: Ground Floor Class II D

Time: 03:00 pm

Present Members:

1. Ms. Shehanaz Cottar (Chairman)
2. Ms. Manisha Ghosarwade (Secretary)
3. Ms. Vaishali Ransubay
4. Mr. Avdhut Madrewar
5. Mr. Pankesh Chaudhari
6. Ms. Setu Shah
7. Mr. Deepak Ratnaparkhi
8. Ms. Manasa Rammohan
9. Ms. Simmi Datta
10. Mr. Mandar Dalvi (Vice Chairman)
11. Ms. Geeta Bennur
12. Ms. Shweta Deshmukh
13. Ms. Geet Karamchandani
14. Ms. Aparna Mane Deshmukh
15. Ms. Pranali Chaudhary
16. Ms. Nazma Sheikh
17. Ms. Blessia Chakranarayan
18. Ms. Sachita Nanekar
19. Ms. Farzeen Firoz
20. Ms. Dipti Lagad
21. Mr. Rohidas Patil

The meeting started by welcoming the members. The **Chairman informed that the school will have a holiday on 19th and 20th November due to elections. Online classes will be conducted on 19th and 20th November 2024.**

On 23rd November (4th Saturday) school will be working and that holiday will be given on 30th November 2024 due to the Homi Bhabha Exam.

The Chairman said that the Central Government has introduced APAAR ID for each and every student for their safety and security. APAAR ID will be generated for each student once the parents give their consent. The student's entire information and data will be available on this ID. Parents' hard copy of Aadhar Card is required.

Mr. Dalvi said the EPTA panel has shared the points and wanted to know how the fee hike will be utilized?

The Chairman shared that the Fee Hike is once in 2 years and up to 15%. Every year the school has some constructive development e.g. New building has come up, New AI Lab , two lifts , CCTV in all the classes , a new curriculum is coming up, staff increment etc. Apart from Picnic and Annual day drapery charges the school does not charge a penny from parents. For ZP competitions the highest number of students are from our school and no charges are taken from parents. The next hike will be in the year 2027 - 2028.

Mr. Avdhut had few points to discuss,

1. He said that the current economy is stable and if the fee hike can be reduced. He also asked if school can start Abhyasika for students after school.

The Chairman said that the school has remedial classes for students of all the Grades, but parents have pick-up problem and very few students attend it. If they are ready to send, we can start Abhyasika.

He suggested that students can deposit books in the library and the books can be returned back to the child while leaving the school.

The Chairman said we can try depositing books in the Library as the students are already donating books to the library.

He also suggested that the school can deposit Rs. 100/- per child to EPTA which can be used for students who are not able to pay the fees due to financial problems or medical reasons.

The Chairman said she will speak to the management and inform them accordingly.

Mr. Dalvi had few concerns to discuss like students of Grade I are not given exposure to Library and Computer Lab.

The year leader Ms. Sachita said Grade I has a computer period once in a week. One period is used for explanation and one period for practicals.

Mr. Dalvi said that Girls Toilet hygiene issue is still not resolved
The Chairman said when it is break time it is challenging otherwise it is clean. The management is planning for the construction of washrooms on the 1st and 2nd floor in the month of May.

The proposal put by the EPTA for a Fee hike is 10.5 %.
The Chairman said she will forward the same to the management and revert on the same.

Some other points discussed were:

1. It is seen that the students are made to sit before the school starts.

The Vice Principal said prayers are conducted.

2. What is a Good Project?

The Chairman said it is basically working in a team and developing the students' thinking process.

3. Ms. Simi requested for a date change for Hyderabad Trip as it is vacation period and many go for personal vacation tours.

The Chairman said that Hyderabad trip is postponed because only 19 students have enrolled their name for the trip which is very less. Date change suggestions could work out.

4. Music period is taken by other teachers.

The Chairman said generally it is not done, if the teacher is absent it can be a substitute period.

5. The School time has not changed although the Govt. had suggested different timings.

The Chairman said that the proposal was put forth before the previous EPTA and got it sanctioned by them and we continue with the same time.

The meeting came to an end with a view that the next session will be conducted soon for the Fee Hike after getting approval from Management.