

PICT MODEL SCHOOL

Survey no. 6, Mahalunge-Balewadi, Pune – 411045

**Minutes of the 4th Executive Committee of Parent Teacher Association (EPTA) Meeting
2020-2021**

Date: Saturday, 26th June 2021

Time: 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 am

Venue: Microsoft Teams

Members Present:

Mrs. Manju Surendran	Principal (Chairperson)
Ms. Kimaya Balki	Parent Representative -Grade 1
Mr. Jaswinder Sondhi	Parent Representative -Grade 3
Mr. Abhijit Kokane	Parent Representative-Grade 4
Mr. Alok Kanhai	Parent Representative- Grade 7
Ms. Vaishali Samnerkar	Parent Representative- Grade 8
Ms. Sujata Patil	Parent Representative- Grade 9
Ms. Ashwini Gramopadhyay	Teacher Representative-Grade 1
Ms. Amruta Kulkarni	Teacher Representative- Grade 2
Ms. Rama Purandare	Teacher Representative- Grade 3
Ms. Joyee Sur	Teacher Representative- Grade 5
Ms. Padmini Manokaran	Teacher Representative- Grade 6
Ms. Jolly Chaudhari	Teacher Representative- Grade 7
Ms. Sharvani Shahpurkar	Teacher Representative- Grade 8

Members Absent:

Ms. Sonali Bagla	Parent Representative -Grade 2
Mr. Amit Shirodkar	Parent Representative- Grade 5
Mr. Sanjay Bhujbal	Parent Representative- Grade 6
Ms. Anagha Gorhe	Teacher Representative- Grade 4
Ms. Shweta Bora	Teacher Representative- Grade 9

Agenda:

1. Welcome Address
2. Review of the AY 2020-21 (Virtual classes and Pandemic impact)
3. Thanking the EPTA members of AY 2020-21

1. Welcoming Members:

Mrs. Manju Surendran, Principal and Chairperson of the EPTA, extended a warm welcome to all the members of the parent representatives and teacher representatives of the EPTA for the AY 2020-21 for taking out the time to attend this meeting and also for their support and patience shown by the parent partners throughout this pandemic. Leave of absence was granted to Ms. Sonali Bagla, Mr. Amit Shirodkar, Mr. Sanjay Bhujbal, Ms. Anagha Grohe and Ms. Shweta Bora as per their communication to the school. Mrs. Manju Surendran, Chairperson noted that the requisite quorum for the meeting was present and called the meeting to order.

The Chairperson emphasised on the unprecedented events of last year with the pandemic, second wave and several instances of strict lockdowns which had really impacted everyone's lives and schedules beyond any of our comprehension and plans. However, as a community and as part of this larger humanity, she saluted the resilience and strength that the educators and parent partners have demonstrated. She further added that the learners at PICT have adopted to the online mode and so have the educators and parent partners. She was very hopeful that, with the vaccination drive picking up pace and transmission being reported as under control, we can look forward to a positive change and a physical school in the near future.

2. Review of the AY 2020-21 (Virtual classes and pandemic impact):

The Chairperson mentioned the following points during the meeting:

- Academic year -The online session started from April 2020 and continued till March 2021, with many changes to the format, timings, and schedules as per the needs of the learners, curriculum requirement and government guidelines. Learners across segment have successfully attended scholastic, co- scholastic sessions along with events like Splashes and tunes during the last academic year.
- Assessment-Regular internal assessments, periodic and term assessments were successfully conducted online for AY 2020-2021.
- PTM – Virtual one to one PTM's were conducted successfully for all the segments last year.
- Learnometer is the nationally benchmarked XSEED Assessment, based on conceptual clarity and language competency, was conducted for learners of Grades 1-7 on 12th February, 2021. It is a complete online mode of assessment testing the concept clarity, critical thinking ability and language proficiency objectively. Three areas such as Critical Thinking, Conceptual Understanding, English Grammar and Comprehension and in subjects Math, English, Science and Social Science were assessed.
- With great pride, our Chairperson shared the result of the Learnometer Exam stating that 811 young learners, across Grade 1 to Grade 7, took the assessment online out of which 45% have scored above 90 % of which 16% have scored cent percent. Learners from PICT Model School are far ahead of the national average. She thanked the parent partners for the complete faith, support and understanding as they stood beside the school in the arduous journey during this difficult time.
- Transport and Cafeteria- Our Chairperson thanked the parents for the fees paid towards the first instalment that allowed to support the entire transport and cafeteria staff with reduced salaries for the entire year. Many families managed to sail through this pandemic because of that one act of benevolence and understanding. She personally thanked the EPTA for the strong support and strength that they have shown during this year. On behalf of the entire team of PICT Model School and the Director Principal, Dr. Pampa Chaudhuri, she placed it on record that we as a learning community stand strong together because of a shared vision.

The Chairperson noted that the agenda items were covered and welcomed other points for discussion.

- Mr. Kanhai appreciated the school's efforts for installing good systems in place and also, the teachers' efforts and hard work due to which the learning process was not compromised. He went on to appreciate the teachers for mentoring the learners keeping conceptual clarity on focus. He also requested for reduction in online class timings or having lighter subject post noon. The Chairperson informed that the suggestion has been well taken and the academic team shall deliberate on it with due diligence.
- Mr. Abhijit Kokane appreciated that the school has adapted well in terms of technology and have stood strong through all the challenges to make changes.
- Mr. Jaswinder Sondhi noted that the year gone by has been a roller coaster ride for all and appreciated that the educators were well adapted to the technology and MS Teams.
- Ms. Vaishali Samnerkar raised her concern that not a single ICT session has been conducted this year. The Chairperson said that she has addressed the issue by a mail to all the parents of Grade 9.
- Ms. Sujata Patil shared a concern that the Grade 10 learners feel sleepy and don't get time for self-study. She suggested that class timings be reduced and to avoid classes for extra-curricular activities/sports classes which can help reduce the screen time of the learners. The Chairperson clarified that keeping the vertical progression of concepts in mind and to ensure that fundamental concepts are not compromised with, the timetable is set. However, educators will deliberate on the suggestion made. She also mentioned that the special classes conducted for Grade 10 learners, cater to individual learning needs so that learners do not struggle with clarification of doubts and extend their self-study time unnecessarily. She also suggested the children can go through their learning log as a part of self-study after their school hours.

The Chairperson accepted the appreciation with humility and acknowledged that this was possible with the strong support extended by the parent partners and the appreciation will be passed on to all the educators for their continued support, effort and guidance.

3. Vote of Thanks:

There being no other business, the meeting ended with the Chairperson thanking the members warmly for their participation and presence in the meeting. She wished everyone a safe and a healthy year ahead and with this, she officially closed the EPTA for the academic year 2020-21.

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Place: Pune