

Minutes of the PTA executive meeting

The PTA meeting on February 20, 2021, started at 12 noon and was attended by eight members.

1. It began with a general discussion on the year gone by i.e 2020. The parents were concerned about the completion of courses and syllabi. These concerns were put to rest by Dr.Sapna who said that online classes went smoothly and now the practical's were being conducted in groups, where up to three groups were working simultaneously in rotation per day.

2. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and passed, proposed by Mr. L.D Pal and seconded by Ms. Unnati Chauhan. The queries arising out of the minutes were discussed, especially regarding the appointment of new teachers. The members were apprised with the good news of the govt. finally sanctioning new posts, which was a big relief for all. Here, Mr. Pal and Mr. Navlesh both suggested that retired teachers may be called as guest faculty whenever required.

3. The parents wanted that seminar, both national and International may be organised regularly. And interstate student activities be encouraged for good exposure to the students and 50% of the expenditure be used from the PTA funds.

4. Further it was decided that a Counsellor for the students is imperative in these times and from the coming session of 2021-2022, a Counsellor must be hired. A salary of 12000/- to 15000/- can be paid from the PTA funds.

5. Mr. Navlesh Suggested that a big size poster of students receiving PTA Award in Excellence should be displayed prominently in the college campus to inspire students do well in their activities.

6. The PTA members were informed that the college has been given sanction by the UGC to start three B.VOC courses in Media Studies, Financial Management and Hospitality. Mr. Navlesh had helped in getting an MoU from the Indian Express which was required for the course in Media studies.

7. Safety concerns, regarding the coming and going of day scholars to college, was expressed by Mr. Navlesh. Most parents he said were worried on this front. So, it was discussed to hire govt buses which will ferry only our students and could make two rounds a day. However, the PTA members were requested to work on the logistics for this, while the college would take a feedback from the students on this and only then a decision would be taken.

8. Both Mr.Pal and Mr. Navlesh expressed the concerns of parents regarding fee charges for 2020, especially for facilities like sports, internet, infrastructure etc that were not utilised by students because of lockdown. They requested the management if any kind of adjustment could be made, like a carry forward of these charges for the next session. This would really be appreciated by the parents.

9. It was also pointed out that an extra 200/- was being charged for online payment fee which was quite unnecessary. Sr. Magdalene said they would definitely put in a word with the bank.

10. Once again the parent members reiterated that the PTA funds were meant for the students and therefore must be spent for their benefit in the given session. Motivational speakers, career

counsellors should be invited and workshops on personality development can be done for the holistic growth of the children.

11. It was also requested to start an interactive portal for parents, where they may give their suggestions and feedback.

12. Another wonderful suggestion came from the parents that college function should be streamed live for all to see.

13. Last, it was suggested that an Ex-Bedeian should be a member of the PTA for a wholesome approach towards the college students.

With this and a cup of coffee, the meeting ended at 1.10 p.m.

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