### CITY PRIDE SCHOOL

### **GENERAL BODY MEETING**

#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Date: Friday, 03.07.2020

The General Body meeting for the year 2020-2021 was conducted online on Friday, 03.07.2020 at 03.00 pm on the online platform Microsoft Teams.

The list of the members present online is attached herewith.

### Agenda:

- > Welcome
- > Suggestions of parents regarding online sessions.
- > Discussion on Reduction in Syllabus
- > Tentative schedule of starting school
- Preventive measures to be taken by school and parents.
- Vote of thanks

### Welcome:

Secretary- PTA Ms. Anisha Pandit welcomed all the parents of the school. Ms. Pandit stated the Agenda of the meeting. Principal Mrs. Maya Sawant greeted the parents

Principal Madam mentioned that, we have received a GR dated 04.06.2020 from Govt. of Maharashtra regarding continuation of the same members of E-PTA as last year. So for this academic year 2020-2021 the E-PTA members of 2019-2020 will continue till the school starts physically.

Principal, Mrs Maya Sawant mentioned that we have started the online sessions from 8<sup>th</sup> of June. We had given our teachers proper training how to use MS Teams platform for conducting the online sessions. We had already informed the parents how to use the same platform by sending videos and notes. She asked the parents to share their views.

## Suggestions of Parents regarding online sessions:

Mrs. Nikita Nair (UKG Jerry) congratulated the teachers for all the efforts. She mentioned 1<sup>st</sup> week was very difficult for everyone. The parents wanted to switch to pre-recorded videos but as and when the time passed, they could see that children were very happy with online classes. Parents were also very happy

Arnav Oruganty's (Std X parent) said that things are pretty well from both teachers' as well as student's side. The students are managing well as they are saving more time and utilizing the time for self-study. I think this can continue for longer period. In fact, even after this is over, we can still continue

with this medium for longer time. It will be good if students just come for practical and submission and continue with this as it is in their favour.

Ashwini Madam – Management representative added that 10<sup>th</sup> std is a crucial year so we have planned to start remedial teaching for few subjects such as Mathematics & Science through this medium. Earlier, we used to face the issue of calling the students for these classes because of time constraints. Now because of this medium it is possible to conduct such remedial classes with ease. We can select few students from all the classes who need these sessions. From 6<sup>th</sup> std onwards we can have remedial session weekly.

Supriya Honap- Parent of Snehal Honap (4<sup>th</sup> Peace) said that the parents from the class have requested to send the notes through Top school as they are unable to access it through MS Teams. She raised the concern regarding the same.

Ashwini Ma'am replied that the school will be sending the notes through MS Teams as it will be more organized and in the long run and it will be more convenient to retrieve the study material and it will be easier to get the study material from chapter wise channel as everything would be in one place. If you still have a problem you please be free to contact Amruta Miss or Afreen Miss. They will help you with any kind of problem. We will be sending a video guiding the parents how to use the medium to fetch the class material.

Parent of Advika Singh IX Vigour & Class II said that she is very happy with the school as the children are excited to attend online sessions. She specially mentioned that she is also enjoying the physical exercise and the Zumba session with the children. The kids are learning new technology. She appreciated the school as things are systematically planned. The energy level at home is so good in the morning because of these sessions. She mentioned that the teachers are so humble that they are making changes according to the parents & students requirements.

Principal Madam said that we will be sending the Meditation video also. Ma'am asked the parents to give a feedback on the meditation videos later. Ma'am urged the parents of 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> to share their experiences of online session.

Keerti Khatavkar (5<sup>th</sup> Peace) appreciated the efforts taken by the teachers and said that children have become independent.

Mr. Yatin (Parent of 5<sup>th</sup> Peace) appreciated that the teachers are asking questions to each and every child in all sessions. With this the teacher knows that whether the children are attentive.

Parent of Swara 3<sup>rd</sup> Wisdom said that teachers are taking the efforts and handling kids with great patience. We are receiving notes and homework. Children are handling things independently.

Ashwini Ma'am said that first week we dedicated to understanding the system and platform of communication. After that we started sending notes and videos from our side. Right now, communication is from teachers to students. Now we are ready to take the next step. Next week

onwards the teachers will send the assignments where children will upload the work. We will send a video explaining how to upload the same.

Parent of Advaita Airrikel (I Joy & V Love) raised a concern for std 5 that while her child's class was going on, she observed the chats were popping up and she found it disturbing. She asked, can we do something with it or the children will get accustomed with it. Ashwini Ma'am said that we can set a policy to opt for one-way communication. But we wanted it to be interactive and that's why we want the chats to be on. So, I urge the parents to talk to the children regarding this matter. And we can teach the children to ignore such disturbances.

Dr. Sonali (Parent of 3<sup>rd</sup> Peace) said that selection of MS Teams is a wise decision. Teachers are doing a wonderful job

Mrs Bhasin requested the school to hold a session form parents on 'Staying positive during Covid situation'. She also mentioned to give some guidelines to students regarding online etiquettes. On this madam said we have already planned a webinar for parents on 'Staying positive during Covid situation'.

### Discussion on Reduction of Syllabus:

Principal Madam said that the school is thinking to reduce the syllabus for the lower classes i.e.from  $1^{st}$  to  $8^{th}$ . We will look into the details of the connectivity of important concepts and topics in the next standard and then decide which topics to be omitted . We will surely inform the parents. For std  $9^{th}$  and  $10^{th}$  the guide lines given by the CBSE Board will be followed.

She also said that the school is planning to conduct the Unit Test in the month of July. For lower classes i.e. Std  $1^{st}$  to  $4^{th}$ . And for Std  $5^{th}$  to  $10^{th}$  we will conduct subjective and objective test . All details will be sent later. Examination is not only for children but also for the teachers and parents to know how much the students have understood .

A Parent (3<sup>rd</sup> std Saisha Desai) said that can we opt for MCQ questions for III & IV std. Ashwini Ma'am said that we will have different kind of assessment ,one of which will be MCQs.Portion for all standards will be given.

Principal Madam highlighted that std. 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> std should take the studies seriously as we have to prepare for boards. They will have to work hard and study seriously. Children are at home that children are saving a lot of time. So, utilize the time to the fullest.

## **Tentative Schedule of starting School**

Reopening the school is a bleak condition. We will not open the school until the situation is completely safe and stable. We cannot take a risk with our children. We will wait for the Govt. to give the guidelines to reopen the school.



## preventive measures to be taken by school & parents:

Principal Madam mentioned that, the school will take utmost care and preventive measures before reopening of the school. The safety of our students is our topmost priority. She requested the parents to follow the safety measures at home also.

# Announcement of the next meeting & Vote of Thanks:

Ashwini Ma'am thanked all the members for their appreciation and support for online school. The school will inform the members about the next meeting in advance. Ma'am extended a formal vote of thanks. The meeting ended on a happy note.

Mrs. Maya Sawant
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Gity Pride School, Nigdi, Pune.

