

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023-24

DATE: 17th July, 2023

VENUE: School Hall

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

Ms. Caroline welcomed the quorum for the Annual general meeting for the academic year 2023-2024.

The first point on the agenda was the ICSE Results that was announced by Ms. Ayesha

Out of 100 students who appeared for the examinations 74 students secured above 90% marks, where Darshil Shah topped the examinations with 98.6%. Ms. Caroline congratulated everyone for the fabulous results and informed that this was the first batch after lockdown who appeared for the exam.

Ms. Pratibha introduced Mrs. Meeta Shah who announced the **Expenses incurred by previous PTA and balance as follows:**

Opening balance	1/6/ 2022	234723/-
Expenses for dandiya	11/10/22	40000/-
AGM refreshments	18/11/22	2600/-
Dandiya stall	1/11/22	18700/-
Closing balance	-	173246/-
Deposited	1/6/23	49100/-
Current balance	-	222346/-

The Terminal and final examinations would be conducted as scheduled and portions for the same have been given well in advance. Ms. Caroline informed the parents that the time table was given three months in advance so that the students could prepare well as they are involved in various activities throughout the year.

Ms. Ayesha informed that the student's concert date remains as scheduled but the parent's concert date has been postponed to the 5th of December, 2023.

Ms. Pratibha requested Mr. Bhavesh Bafna to announce the dates for the upcoming events organized by the PTA Executive Committee. Mr. Bhavesh Bafna thanked Ms. Caroline, teaching and non-teaching staff for the guidance provided. He informed about the dates for the upcoming events as follows:

Dandiya Raas: 20/10/2023

Fun and Fair: 20/12/2023 (tentative)

Career fair: 8/9/2023 (tentative) He informed them that they would be looking for speakers for both educational and non- educational fields. This event would be specifically for parents and students of standards 8th, 9th and 10th. The parents were requested to participate in large numbers. Ms. Caroline added that parent's participation is 2-3% during any workshops conducted in the school. Ms. Pooja also agreed that during ARPAN workshop conducted for the parents, the attendance was just 9 parents from grade 9th and 10th. It was disappointing for the school and speaker. It also speaks poorly on part of the school who puts in a lot of efforts in finding good speakers for the well-being of our students.

Ms. Caroline emphasized more on the importance of career counselling and how the students will benefit from it. She also explained the parents as to why the career counselling is important to guide the students to make the right choices for their future. She also requested the parents not to force the children to fulfill their dreams and let their children make their own decision. The career counselling workshop conducted by Mr. Anuj Jain was very poorly attended by the parents but the students thoroughly enjoyed the workshop.

Ms. Ayesha announced the various events conducted by our school in the past such as Megh Malhar where 26 schools had participated,

Allure which is a mini-MBA in event management, Yoga Day, Bagless days, chocolate day and Guru Purnima. Various Inter house Competitions, Canteens and Assemblies are conducted throughout the year. Donation drives were organised where the items collected were donated to old age homes and orphanages. Our school children as an initiative of Interact Club collected rotis and donated it to the Roti bank who distributed it to the Cancer patients and their relatives outside the Tata hospital. An E- waste drive was conducted where E - waste was collected and handed over to 'My Green Society an E-Waste Management Drive'. A session was conducted by Dr Anand Bhabhor from Jaslok Hospital about 'BASIC LIFE SUPPORT' for the students of std 7th and 8th. Last year a free dental check was organised by Dr. Niyati Kamdar for the students of std 1 to 10. This year Nitrodentists (A chain of dental clinics in Mumbai) will be conducting a Dental Check-up for all the students of std 1 to std 10. A session was organised for the parents of student's 9th and 10th by Arpan on 'sex education'.

Ms. Caroline emphasized on the importance of not just IQ but also the EQ and Greenlawns High School aims to develop the EQ that is Emotional Quotient in our students. Miss also stressed that we have to teach the students to be sensitive towards the less fortunate. So we have various donation drives to make students understand empathy.

Ms. Caroline thanked and appreciated the efforts and generosity of the parents without which such donation drives wouldn't be possible.

Ms. Pratibha spoke about the achievements and awards that Ms. Caroline received that are as follows:

Global Edu Icon Crusader for Education Award,

Dr. Abdul Kalam Shiksha Sarvoch Samman,

Bhartiya Shiksha Padma Bhushan Puraskar,

The visionary skills of 21st century award

The Bharat skill Samman 2023.

Ms. Pratibha also spoke about our students winning in various inter-school competition which are listed as follows:

1. The first position in Pages for ages, Skit, and Dance, second place in Fashion Designing and the Third place in Margin Call (Shark Tank) in Turbulence an event organised by the school JB Vaccha.
2. 1st place in Just a minute, Wreck It Ralph and 3rd place in Fun Factory at Immaculata 2023.
3. Second position at the Bal Mahotsav 2023.
4. 3rd Position in the YMCA debate and so on.
5. 2nd place in Jam and 3rd place in Bollywood bites in Melange an interschool even organized by GD Somani Memorial school.
6. Our children had participated in "C'est la vie" Interschool competition held by Jasuben M.L School and won prizes in grove on, Director's call, social media challenge, wickets within walls, impossible escape and stand-up comedy.

Ms. Caroline informed the parents to encourage their children to participate in co-curriculum activities for the holistic development of the child to help them in overcoming their fears and enhancing the confidence of the students. She also gave an example of one of the ex-student Darshil Shah who introduced the 'ALLURE' -an interschool event which is handled by the students themselves.

Ms. Caroline thanked and appreciated all the teachers for training and accompanying the students for the various competitions.

Queries raised by the parents

1. Mansi Parikh, a parent from grade 8 raised the question regarding two test a week, which is stressful for the students. Ms. Caroline assured the parent that this will help the children in multi-tasking under any difficult situation in life.

2. A parent of Std 9th raised the issue regarding receiving messages on Edusprint. Ms Caroline informed that there have been many parents who have not even registered yet even after providing assistance by Ms Lata. Miss told the parents that they could mail the school or Ms Lata for any future queries.
3. The same parent requested if PDP could be cancelled during monsoon. Ms Caroline informed that during rains it is the parents' discretion to send the kids and school does not make it compulsory. Miss also stressed on the importance of exercise for students as it has been noticed that students are lacking stamina and strength do perform any sports or task. However, Miss would take the decision on the PDP matter after a meeting with the PTA EC Committee and Sports teachers.
4. A parent of Std 2nd requested that diary work be sent on edusprint than make students write in class. Ms. Estalita informed the parents that before lockdown work would be given in the diary only which would be continued further and only school circulars will be sent on edusprint. Ms Caroline expressed that this will help to make the students responsible and independent.
5. A parent of Std 8th informed that kids were unaware of any Inter School Competitions to which Sir Yogesh told the parents that he personally visits classes to ask students to participate. However, when students come during class time, he requested them to meet him during break time. Ms Caroline also informed that the teachers in charge inform students visiting classes or even send circulars on edusprint, notice board and website.

Ms Pratibha introduced Mr Anuj Jain founder and chief of Career Counsellor from EduGroomers who gave a brief introduction about himself and history of his institute.

Ms Caroline thanked the current PTA EC for all the efforts and support and cooperation.

PTA EC arranged for the refreshments.