

AUCKLAND HOUSE SCHOOL FOR BOYS

Draft Minutes of the AHSB PTA Meeting held on 27th AUGUST 2024 at 9.00 AM

AHSB PTA - 2024: 2.1- The second meeting of the AHSB PTA (2024) of Auckland House School for Boys was held under the Chairmanship of the Principal. Mr. Reuben T. John, on 27th April 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at Auckland House School, for Boys. At the very onset the Chairman, Mr. Reuben T. John, welcomed all the PTA members, before proceeding to Item 2 on the agenda. He mentioned that we have worked a lot and a quarter of suggestions which have been put across by the parents have been looked into and something has already been implemented in the previous months.

AHSB PTA-2024: 2.2- Roll Call of the members of the PTA (AHSB -GH- 2024: 7, 8, 9,10).

18 members were present.

Apologies were received from the following members for their absence. Mrs. Malvika Lakhanpal sent her written apologies as her father was admitted in the hospital. Mrs. Meera Dogra's father was also admitted in the hospital. In addition to them, Mr. Vijayender S. Kanwar, Ms. Swati Arora and Mr. Vikas Mishra could not attend the meeting.

AHSB PTA -2024: 2.3 - The agenda of the second AHSB PTA meeting held on 27th August, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. was as follows:

- 1 Welcome
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of the draft minutes of the Executive Meeting of AHSB PTA held on 29th May, 2024 at 9:00 AM.
4. Matters Arising thereafter
5. Any other business

AHSB PTA -2024: 2. 4 - Approval of minutes of the Executive Meeting of AHSB PTA held on 29th May, 2024 at 9:00 AM.

Draft minutes were presented by the Secretary, Dr. Mala Kuthiala. The minutes prepared were found in order, and were well presented. All points

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were listed out systematically thus they were confirmed accepted, approved, and signed.

AHSB PTA -2024: 2. 5 - Item 4 of the agenda: Matters arising thereafter

The minutes were approved and there were two matters arising thereafter, for correction.

1. Correction on page 2 of approved minutes of First AHSB PTA Meeting held on 22nd April, 2024 under the heading Number AHSB PTA 2024 1.6, third issue under this section.

The statement “,Saturdays are no-bag days from classes II to V”, is rectified.

The **Corrected statement is as follows:**

Saturdays are no bag days for classes UKG to class II.

From Classes II to V have not been able to reduce syllabus to that degree so as to make Saturdays as no bag days.

2. Correction on page 4 of approved minutes of Executive Committee of PTA held on 29th May, 2024 under the heading Number AHSB PTA EC 2024 1.6, ninth issue, i-part regarding Ms. Swati Arora Parent Representative Member 2024 stands corrected as “although she has moved to Solan but her son is still a student of Auckland House School for Boys, so she still remains the parent member representative of AHSB PTA -2024”

AHSB PTA -2024: 2. 6 - Item 5 of the agenda: Any other business.

A list of suggestions and feedback was presented by different parent class representative members of the present AHSB PTA.

1. Ms. Raj Priya Rohta asked for the update on French classes. The principal admitted that till now the school has not been able to appoint a French teacher, however as soon as possible, we are ready to begin with third language. However, school will continue seeking opportunities to offer additional languages at school.
2. The suggestion of medals to be given as prizes instead of books was put forth by Mrs. Jaiwanti. The school wants to encourage and motivate students to read hence the suggestion was not accepted as

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books will continue to be awarded instead of medals and trophies. However, the idea of having citations for some important prizes was accepted.

3. The President, Dr. Namrata Guleri, requested to extend the October break so as to have the same dates of reopening as Girls school. The principal responded by saying that maximum possible coordination is already being done, however some differences are there as girls' school has boarders and hence their schedule is different.
4. The school will not accept mass absentees from the school. 17th August was given as a holiday, and the parents were informed a week before, the repercussion of the same was that 16th August was taken as a holiday by 91 students to make it as a long weekend break.
5. Dr. Namrata followed up on the suggestion of ranks not to be given to students. Principal clarified that children should learn to take that much stress; hence school will give ranks and does not promote mediocrity.
6. This was followed by the request to start track suits again. The parents were informed that message has already been sent to implement that.
7. Mrs. Swati Arora informed that stairway to the rear entrance is not clean and requires regular cleaning. It was informed that action has been taken already.
8. On the query of Mrs. Jaiwanti it was brought to the notice of the parents by the principal that sports club has been dissolved. The students who participate in sports will have to practice after school hours.
9. On the sport days the practice of the best student called to collect the certificates will continue for the relay as this saves time.
10. Mrs. Jaiwanti emphasized that students should be taken to the Labs for computer practical more regularly.
11. Communication to the parents about the inauguration of the Parent's Lounge on 1st July, need to be sent.

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12. Dr. Kapilanjnan Krishnan summarized the action taken on all the previous issues. The important suggestions and follow ups made and to be made are summarized further:

i. Unclear timetables: especially for language vs. literature books/notebooks required. Children end up bringing a set of 10 books & notebooks each day for Hindi and English.

ii. Cursive books remain unused.

iii. Syllabus for finals to be shared.

iv. School counsellor - A note from the school informing about the resource person would be appreciated, including how one might request a meeting and/or how she might help.

v. A workshop or other engagement sessions with the counsellor, on hygiene and on nutrition would be helpful. We may need to collect information on children's dietary habits through an online form.

vi. Collecting an expression of interest regarding skiing in Kashmir. This would be from Class 6 onwards, for 15 days, costing about Rs. 14000/- for certification and the travel expenses (airfare and local transport), likely in January/February depending on the snowfall. Food and lodging are at no charge.

vii. A follow up note on the phone numbers and corrections which was already sent to the office by the parents regarding messages for fee payments.

viii. A suggestion was made for PTM's to be held on Saturdays (preferably second Saturdays) to help enable more attendance at the PTMs by both parents (many parents respectfully agree to disagree on need of both parents at these meetings).

ix. . Correction to be made in email addresses. Correct ones are ankushjoshi2000@yahoo.com and sweetybhandari3797@gmail.com

Additionally, the following points were discussed by the principal in detail and the following decisions were made:

i. Increase the number of skating classes per week with fewer children in each to enable a more attentive session.

ii. Language practice worksheets to be given to children as a follow-up. Regular worksheets in subjects like Maths and GK to be encouraged.

iii. Drinking water cooler cleaned and sorted.

iv. Mrs Jaiwanti to work on the survey on nutrition and google forms to be shared to collect data through a link.

v. Hygiene issues to be addressed as priority.

vi. Teachers Handbook on Comprehensive Disciplinary Framework to be finalized. All the prohibitory disciplinary action to be discussed in detail, including matters arising thereafter.

vii. Workshop on emotional regulation and conflict resolution would be organised for teachers.

viii. Comprehensive Educational Paradigm to be practiced including projects based on collection and analysis of data dealing with common issues problems like transport, social and economic issues. Inclusion of formative assessment and Co-teaching in the Teaching - Learning lesson plans.

ix. AHSB Comprehensive School safety framework, including POCSO, grievances of the staff, safety of structure, students etc. are being framed. We are working with an NGO "DOERS" and the curriculum would be made available on the website by next year.

x. We are working on the checklist for Sustainable Development Goals.

xi. Inaugural Founder's Day will be celebrated on 6th September in which new redesigned Logo would be launched representing the identity of the school. The School Song would also be re- done.

xii. The Principal expressed his gratitude to the parents for the generous feedback of the school Exhibition held on 9th August.

xiii. Parent volunteers are to be vetted for LPD.

xiv. Syllabus to be sent to the respective classes.

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- xv. The performance of our boys in Kashmir was applauded, especially the synchronized marching. Our boys participated in Volleyball, Basketball, Badminton and Table-Tennis in all four divisions.
- xvi. We were organizing a science based tour to Bangalore, Aurangabad and Goa but have not received an encouraging response from parents.
- xvii. SOF Olympiads Exams, would be held in months of October and December. Students would be trained for the Olympiads from next year. This year we also have introduced Olympiad in Commerce
- xviii. Students having regular access to the mobiles is a serious problem. Parents should take the responsibility to regulate the usage of phones for their children.
- xix. School is working on the criteria s for Duke of Edinburgh Awards.
- xx. School diaries need to be brought to school every day and to be used regularly.
- xxi. The UPD school coordinator, Ms. Alka Sharma requested the parents not to contact teachers in late hours. A cut-off time to be intimated to parents so teachers are not disturbed during their evenings. To enable this, school will also send clear, complete and timely (a week in advance) messages, so parents are not required to seek additional clarifications the previous evening.
- xxii. Parents positive feedback and interest expressed in attending orientation was very encouraging.
- xxiii. The school is in the process of revamping the school website.
- xxiv. Admission forms for Nursery would be available from 15th September onwards.
- xxv. All leave applications to be sent by hand or by email. No leave applications entertained by whatsapp.


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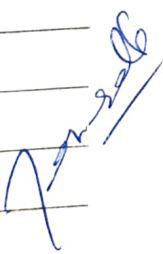
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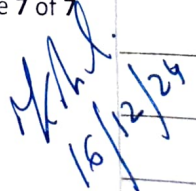
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