

## **GPSC MEETING**

**DATE: SEPTEMBER 20, 2019**

**VENUE: BLUE BELLS MODEL SCHOOL**

**SECTOR-4, GURUGRAM**

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  - ✓ and holding of awareness workshop for teachers of schools and colleges.
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- INTACH has been actively involved in restoration of certain unprotected sites in the past too. Major Atul Dev expressed his gratitude for the efforts of the former DC Mr. Vinay Pratap Singh in this direction, during his tenure.
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Principal

Blue Bells Model School

Sector-4, Gurugram

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING

### **GURGAON PROGRESSIVE SCHOOLS COUNCIL, GURGAON**

A General Body Meeting of the GPSC was held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at Blue Bells Model School, Sector -4, Gurugram

#### **The following attended the meeting:**

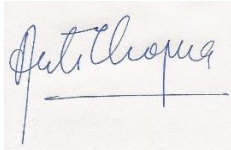
1. Ms. Aparna Erry, DAV, Sector-14, Gurugram
2. Ms. Arti Chopra, Amity International School, Sector-46, Gurugram
3. Fr. Jose Stephen, St Michael's Sr. Sec. School, Gurugram
4. Ms. Rupa Chakraborty, Suncity World School, Sector-54, Gurugram
5. Mr. Baharul Islam, Aravali Public School, Gurugram
6. Ms. Hema Dhingra, Rao Lal Singh Public School, Gurugram
7. Ms. Meena Singh, CCA School, Sector-4, Gurugram
8. Ms. Manisha Singh, Rabindranath World School, Gurugram
9. Ms. Irina Mukherjee, Summer Fields School, Gurugram
10. Ms. Anita Nandal, Rotary Public School, Gurugram
11. Ms. Sheena Yadav, Gyan Devi Senior Secondary School, Sector-10, Gurugram
12. Ms. Vineeta Yadav, Gyan Devi Public School Senior Secondary, Sector-17, Gurugram
13. Ms. Dipinder Kaur, DPS Pataudi
14. Ms. Vipula Saxena, Meenakshi Public School, Sector-10A, Gurugram
15. Ms. Archana Sagar, Ridge Valley School, Gurugram
16. Ms. Anuradha Handa, G D Goenka Public School, Gurugram
17. Ms. Charu Maini, DAV, Sector-49, Gurugram
18. Dr. Neelima Prakash, Lions Public School, Sector-10A, Gurugram
19. Ms. Nirmal Yadav, CCA School
20. Dr Indu Khetarpal, Salwan Public School
21. Ms. Suman Gulati, Blue Bells School, Sector-4, Gurugram
22. Ms. Anita Makkar, The HDFC School, Gurugram
23. Mr. Harsh Kumar, Bal Bharati Public School, Manesar
24. Ms. Aditi Misra, DPS, Sector 45, Gurugram
25. Ms. Arpita Acharya, Blue Bells Public School, Sector-10, Gurugram
26. Ms. Soumya Gulati, Blue Bells School, Gurugram

#### **Proceedings**

1. The members were welcomed by the Chairperson Ms. Aparna Erry and the meeting commenced at 3 pm after ascertaining the forum.
2. The Chairperson appreciated the motivational song presented by the students of the host school as the welcome note for the members.
3. Under the guidance of our Treasurer Dr Ms. Indu Khetarpal, the Chartered Accountant Mr. Nitin Aneja from H Gambhir & Co, presented the annual balance sheet before the General body of GPSC. All the members were pleased to learn that the surplus reflected in the accounts had been converted into a fixed deposit and the account has a balance of Rs 4,76,000 in reserve as on date.
4. The minutes of the last meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> August'19, DAV Public School, Uppal's South end, Sector 49, Gurugram were ratified and approved.

5. The Chairperson, Ms. Aparna Erry, Principal, DAV School, Sector 14, Gurugram welcomed Major (Retd) Atul Dev, Convener, INTACH Gurgaon Chapter and Co-Convener Ms. Namrata Mishra and requested them to deliver their presentation, as per the circulated agenda. The key points from the presentation are as follows:
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  - The members thanked him for his insightful and educating endeavor to reach out to schools through GPSC and for working towards a noble cause to save our cultural heritage.
6. Executive Board Member, and City Coordinator, CBSE, Ms. Aditi Misra, shared that CBSE 25th National Annual Conference of Sahodaya School Complexes 2019 is proposed to be held in collaboration with Sahodaya School Complexes of Delhi NCR and National Progressive Schools' Conference (NPSC) on 1st and 2nd November 2019 at Delhi. Its main theme is 'NAI TALEEM- FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE.
7. Ms. Arti Chopra, Secretary GPSC shared the theme of this academic year's conference being-
- Relevance of Gandhian Ideology in the Classrooms of 21<sup>st</sup> Century**
- Sub themes;**
- Facets of Nai Taleem or Basic Education
  - Gandhian Discipline based on sustainability
  - Karyanjali-Positive School Culture

8. The Treasurer Dr Indu Khetarpal, asked the members to write essays on the mentioned topics and sub-topics, which could later find a place on the GPSC website. She also reminded the members for their pending yearly subscription.
9. The Chairperson congratulated Ms. Aditi Misra, for getting the prestigious position of Joint Secretary of National Progressive School Council. It was indeed an honour for Gurgaon Progressive School Council to get connected to a national body. The members congratulated her and applauded too for this achievement.
10. There being no other point in the agenda, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks extended by Ms. Rupa Chakraborty, Director, Suncity School, Gurugram for the Chairperson and the extended hospitality of hosting Blue Bells School family.
11. There being no other point of discussion the meeting came to an end. The next GPSC meeting shall be hosted by G D Goenka Public School, Sector 48, Gurugram on,18<sup>th</sup> October 2019. Detailed agenda shall follow in due course.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Arti Chopra", written over a horizontal line.

Arti Chopra  
Secretary, GPSC