

NOTICE

The meeting of the members of the **General Body** of the NPSC held on **Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at 3:00 pm**

at

Venue : BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAWAN MEHTA VIDYALAYA
Kasturba Gandhi Marg, Delhi – 110001

Principal : Dr. AnjuTandon

Agenda:

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the last meeting held on 16th December, 2015.
2. Resignation of the Secretary Mrs. Deepika T. Singh and new arrangement.
3. NPSC Academic Programme.
4. UNIC Collaboration and Future Initiatives
5. Govt. Regulation Related Issues/ Briefing/New Proposals.
6. Any other point with the permission of the chair.

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL BODY MEETING HELD ON Wednesday, April 27, 2016 AT 1500 HRS AT BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAWAN MEHTA VIDYALAYA Kasturba Gandhi Marg,

Members Present : -

1. Mr.M.L.Babbar, Life Member, F-127, Sector-41, Noida(NCR), U.P. - 201303
2. Mr. S.L.Jain, Honorary Member, Director, Mahavir Senior Model School, Sangam Park Extension, Rana Pratap Bagh, G.T.K. Road, Opp Nanak Pio Gurudwara, New Delhi-110033
3. Mrs. Lata Vidhyanathan, Special Invitee, 1601, Tower 5, The close South Nirvana Country Complex Gurgaon Haryana
4. Dr D K Pandey, N C Jindal Public School, Road No. 73, West Punjabi Bagh, New Delhi-110026
5. Ms.Abha Sehgal, Sanskriti School, Dr S Radhakrishnan Marg, Chanakya Puri, New Delhi-110021
6. Ms. Rita Sen,Special Invitee, C-162, Belvedere Park, DLF -3, Cyber City, Gurgaon-122002
7. Ms Sadhana Bhalla, Vice Chairperson & Mira Model School, B-Block, Janak Puri, New Delhi 110 058
8. Ms Seema Jerath, Joint Secretary & Principal, DLF Public School, Sector-II, Rajender Nagar, Sahibabad, Ghaziabad 201 005
9. Dr M Kannan, Treasurer & Principal, Faith Academy Sr Sec School, John L Dorsey Road, Prasad Nagar, New Delhi 110 005
10. Ms Ameeta Mulla Wattal, Member & Principal Springdales School, Upper Ridge Road Junction, Pusa Road, New Delhi 110 005
11. Ms.Malini Narayanan, Army Public School, Shankar Vihar, (Near Mahipalpur), Delhi Cantt-110010
12. Ms. Dharmandra Goyal, Delhi Public School, Sector-9, Vasundhara, Ghaziabad-201012
13. Dr (Ms.) Ruchi Seth, Lotus Valley International School Sector-126, Taj Expressway, Noida
14. Sr.Janet, Convent of Jesus & Mary, Bangla Sahib Lane, New Delhi-110001
15. Ms. Anita Wadehra, DARBARI LAL D.A.V. MODEL SCHOOL ND Block,Pitampura,New Delhi-110088
16. Dr.Anju Tandon, Baratiya Vidya Bhawan Mehta Vidyalaya, Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi-110001
17. Ms. Sudha Acharya, ITL Public School, Sector-9, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075
18. Ms. Sunita Gupta, Air Force Bal Bharati School Lodi Road, New Delhi -110003
19. Ms.Poonam Rampal, Air Force Golden Jubilee Institute Subroto Park, New Delhi 110010
20. Dr. Priyanka Mehta, Amity International School Near Samachar Apartments, Mayur Vihar, Phase 1, Delhi 110091
21. Ms.Minakshi Kushwaha, Birla Vidaya Niketan, Sector-4, Push Vihar, New Delhi-110017
22. Mrs. Nidhi Chaudhary, CRPF Public school, Prashant Vihar, Sector XIV, Rohini, New Delhi-110085

23. Mr. Reena Rajpal, Darbari Lal dav Model school, BN Block, Shalimar Bagh, New Delhi-110088
24. Ms. Rashmi Raj Biswal, DAV Public School, Outer Ring Road, Pushpanjali Enclave, Pitampura, New Delhi-110034
25. Ms. Aparna Erry, DAV Public School, Sector-14, Gurgaon-122001
26. Dr. V K Chopra, DAV Public School, Sector-2, THA, Rajender Nagar, Sahibabad, Ghaziabad-201005
27. Mrs. Prem Lata Garg, DAV Public School, Sreshtha Vihar, New Delhi-110092
28. Mr. Vivek Chaturvedi, Dayawati Modi Public School, Modi Pon, Hapur Road, Modi Nagar, UP-201404
29. Ms. Sunita Nagpal, Delhi Public School, Phase-1, Sushant Lok, Gurgaon-122002
30. Mr. Manohar Lal, Delhi Public School, Mathura Road, PB No. 3042, New Delhi-110003
31. Mrs. Vibha Singh, Delhi Public School, Sector-24, Ph-III, Rohini, New Delhi-110085
32. Ms. Aditi Misra, Delhi Public School, Sec-45 Gurgaon
33. Dr. (Ms.) Surjeet Kohli, Guru Tegh Bahadur 3rd Centenary Public School C-Block, Manasarovar Garden, New Delhi-110015
34. Ms. Nishi Manglik, Gyan Bharti School, Saket, New Delhi-110017
35. Ms. Sumati Anand Gyan Mandir E-Block, Naraina Vihar, New Delhi-110028
36. Ms. Heemal Handoo Bhat, Hansraj Model School, Road No.73, Punjabi Bagh, New Delhi-110026
37. Sr. Vaha, Holy Child School, Tagore Garden, New Delhi-110027
38. Mr. Z.M. Siddiqui, Humdard Public School, Talimabad, Sangam vihar, New Delhi-110062
39. Dr. Rajesh Hassija, Indraprastha International School Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075
40. Dr. (Ms.) Bhawna Malik, Lovely Public Sr. Secondary School Priyadarshini Vihar, Laxmi Nagar, New Delhi-110088
41. Mr. BC Pandey, Mahavir Senior Model School Sangam Park Extension, Rana Pratap Bagh, GTK Road, Opp Nanak Pio Gurudward, New Delhi-110033
42. Ms. Renu Suri, Manav Sthali School, R-Block, New Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi-110060
43. Col. Ashok Kaul, Mata Jai Kaur Public School, Ashok Vihar, Ph-III, New Delhi-110052
44. Mr. Prashant Parashar, N.K. Bagrodia Public School, Ahinsa Marg, Sector-9, Rohini, New Delhi-110085
45. Ms. Sarika Arora, Ramjas Public School Dayboarding Anand parvat, New Delhi-110005
46. Ms. Sandhya Awasthi, Salwan Public School, Sector 15-II, Gurgaon-122001
47. Ms. Anuradha Joshi, Sardar Patel Vidyalaya, Lodi Estate, Maharishi Raman Marg, New Delhi-110003
48. Fr. Anil George, St. Francis De Sales School, A4C Janak Puri, New Delhi-110058

49. Dr (Ms.) Annie Koshi, St. Mary's School, Madam Sara Mathew Lane, B-2, Block, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi-110029
50. Ms.Madhulika Sen, Tagore International School Paschimi Marg, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi-110057
51. Ms. Tania Joshi, The Indian School, Josip Broz Tito Marg, Sadiq Nagar (Near Moolchand Flyover), New Delhi-110049
52. Ms. Sanghamitra Ghosh, The Mother International School, Sri Aurobindo Marg, New Delhi-110016
53. Ms. Mrinalini Kaur, Venkateshewar International School Dwarka, New Delhi-110075
54. Ms. Shalini Mehrotra, Vidya Devi Jindal School, Delhi Road, Hisar-125005

In the absence of Chairman, Mr. Ashok Kumar Pandey, the Vice-Chairperson Ms. Sadhana Bhalla conducted the proceedings amid a backdrop of the conference pictures.

The students of Bharatiya Vidya Bhawan Mehta Vidyalaya flagged off the meeting with a multi-faith prayer. Dr. Anju Tandon, Principal of the school extended her greetings in her warm welcome address.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 : Confirmation of the minutes of the last meeting held on 16th December, 2015& TO NOTE AND DISCUSS THE POINTS ARISING OUT OF THE LAST MEETING :

- Ms. Sadhana Bhalla informed the house that the minutes of the last General Body Meeting of NPSC were sent to all members by e-mail and also updated on the NPSC website. No observations were received. The members then confirmed the same.
- Ms. Bhalla congratulated the members of NPSC for a well-organised and successful conference held in February 2016. She also urged the members to start thinking and planning for the next conference and also have some follow up sessions to incorporate the learning from the last conference.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Resignation of the Secretary Mrs. Deepika T. Singh and new arrangement: Vice-Chairperson informed the house that Ms. Deepika T. Singh, Secretary had resigned from her school and as such had requested that her resignation be accepted as she had taken up an assignment in Dubai. Mrs. Bhalla also placed on record Mrs. Singh's sincere efforts and immense contribution towards making the conference a great success, and the same was appreciated by all.

The decision to appoint the new secretary was deferred till the July, 2016 meeting. Till then, Ms. Seema Jerath would take over the responsibilities of the Secretary.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 NPSC Academic Programme:

- Ms. Bhalla conveyed to the house that Chairman had proposed that a lecture series/ Edtalks be organized with an eminent guest speaker being invited for every meeting. The topic need not necessarily be restricted to education but other related topics that could help in widening our perspective. Ms. Ameeta Mulla Wattal suggested that Mr. Vaiju Navaranne, Professor, Journalism and Media Studies, Ashoka University, be invited as a guest speaker in July to talk on what the universities are looking for in students. Mrs. Bhalla suggested that Lt. Col. S. S. Mehta of CII be invited to give a talk on ‘The Demographic Dividend’. Members were asked to suggest more names. It was also suggested that the NPSC could also look within and ask the member Principals to take up sessions in their areas of expertise.
- The calendar of NPSC activities for 2016-17 was tabled for a final approval of the House and it was proposed that all schools should get involved in at least one project. It was suggested that the feedback should be taken from the members who should also be encouraged to organize workshops on behalf of NPSC during the year on different subjects. The proposed calendar of some of the activities were as follows:

Month	Name of the school	Name of the Principal	Project Undertaken
June	Mira Model School	Mrs. Sadhana Bhalla	Action Research Project on Heavy School Bags
July	Ahlcon International School	Mr. Ashok Pandey	Career Counsellors Meet
August	Ramjas School, R.K Puram	Mrs. Rachna Pant	Workshop on Pedagogy
August	DLF Public School	Ms. Seema Jerath	Workshop for teachers "Ideas to Innovation - An entrepreneurial hands on approach"
September	TERI School	Mrs. Lata Vaidyanathan	Futuristic Skills: Future of Education: 2 days Residential with 30 Principals and 40 Teachers

October	DLF Public School	Mrs. Seema Jerath	Partnership with Goonj - Zonal Wise collection of material after consulting Goonj on the material required
December	Collaborative program for collection of books for the libraries of schools at Ladhakh 17000ft		
February	Annual Conference 2017		

- Further, it was suggested that the calendar should be uploaded on the website.
- Mrs. Bhalla shared that the NPSC should encourage Action Research either in a specific subject or open it to the teachers on any topic/subject and a jury should be instituted and the best research projects should be shared at the conference. Further it was unanimously agreed that the winning teachers should be encouraged to showcase their projects and best practices in the next conference.
- Mrs. Ameeta Wattal proposed that these best practices could be compiled and a compendium could be published as a sequel to the first book published by NPSC “The Learning Landscape” and be brought out on Teacher’s Day in September 2016. A sub-committee was formed for this purpose comprising of Ms. Ameeta Wattal, Ms. Abha Sehgal, Ms. Sudha Acharya and Dr. Ruchi Seth, Mr. Dharmendra Goyal and Ms. Mrinalini Kaur. The committee would create an outline of possible ideas for this proposed book.
- A sustained partnership with Goonj would continue and Ms. Seema Jerath would work with Mr. Anshu Gupta to create a doable plan.
- A 2-day Residential Program at TERI was proposed by Ms. Lata Vaidyanathan, Director TERI.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: UNIC Collaboration and future Initiatives: This was followed by a talk of Mr. Rajiv Chandran, Director UNIC (United Nations Information Center). Ms. Ameeta Mulla Wattal, Principal, Springdales School – the ex-Chairperson of NPSC, welcomed and introduced Mr. Rajiv Chandran.

Mr. Chandran appreciated the NPSC conference theme – the Sustainable Development Goals, and its relevance and importance in the current scenario. He stressed upon the 5 Ps People, Planet, Partnership, Peace and Prosperity. The UN is promoting the 5Ps in a way that all **people** are important and integral part of the change, the **planet** which needs to combat the climate change, the **partnership** that requires people to work together towards the goals, **peace** where people unlearn intolerance and learn to deal with the biases that exist around them and **prosperity** which is the way to the future and the global way.

He proposed some **future collaborative projects between UNIC and NPSC:**

1. To conduct The Women's Football World Cup Under-17 in India: The NPSC can put together a women tournament for the UN. The schools that don't have women teams need to be trained during the summers so that by August '16 the UN Girls Tournament can happen and NPSC Women's Football Trophy can be conducted under NPSC.
 - It was proposed that through this tournament we can encourage girls to participate and excel. 32 teams in four different school grounds of NPSC schools in Delhi-NCR will undergo a three month coaching program by the Sudeva Team. The program will be run by a qualified licensed coach from Europe.
 - Girls born on or after 1.1.2002 are eligible; the proposed slot is August 23-30, 2016. Transport will be arranged by schools and the gifts, trophies and the certificates by UNIC.
 - 'Kailash Satyarthi' from 'Sudeva' can be the guest at the event.
 - Some members were of the view that August may be too hot and wet for the event.
2. To tap innovative ideas in Science: Schools and students to come up with new ideas in Science which can be showcased at the UN. The NPSC and UN can work together to create a mutually agreeable framework.
3. To increase awareness on Road Safety: The area of Road Safety needs attention as maximum deaths in India happen due to road accidents.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Ms. Malini Narayanan, Principal, Army Public School to Mr. Rajiv Chandran

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 Govt. Regulation Related Issues: The Chair thanked Mr. S. L. Jain for preparing and tabling a compilation of the status of all pending court cases. He had been requested to help in this regard as most schools were not even aware of the cases/ issues we are dealing with and our source of information was usually the media. Mr. S. L. Jain explained that as on date there were 23 cases in all, out of which 14 cases were coming up for hearing shortly. He also mentioned that no case was getting fully and finally settled (no repeal). It was decided that these would be put up on the NPSC website for the convenience of the members.

Pending Issues

1	Matter pertaining to providing free textbooks and uniform to students admitted under EWS quota.	The case has been re-notified for Friday, April 29, 2016.
2	Regulation of Fees by the Directorate of Education	A review was filed against this judgement by Forum for Promotion of Quality Education and arguments were heard and judgement reserved on 15.03.2016. Thereafter, a review was filed by Action Committee in respect of which notice was issued returnable on 02.05.2016.
3	Format of return and documents as per that specified by Institute of Chartered accountants of India, to be submitted by schools under rule 180 read with Appendix-II of Delhi Education Act, 1973.	To be completed and uploaded latest by 31 May,2016. This is specifically concerned with providing detailed information to support the already submitted audited balance sheet in the last 3 years.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Other Points with the Permission of the Chair: In view of the prevailing scenario, Vice-Chairperson opined that school managements should look into setting their house in order. It was felt that the time had come for NPSC to suggest to the members to exercise self-regulatory measures to ensure that its member schools conformed to the law in every respect. To this effect a loose draft was put up for discussion.

It was proposed that the general body should be advised to:

- i) Exercise self-regulation by NPSC for its member schools.
- ii) In the issue of free uniform and text books wait for the hearing on 29th May,2016
- iii) New format relating to financial returns for the last 3 years has been sent to each school where the schools should start working upon since 31st May, 2016 is the last date. Members should be advised to simply furnish information sought and not rework on the data already furnished.
- iv) Prepare a justification of the increase if any, in fees in case it is sought by the government. Revisit the lease deed and allotment papers to understand whether we have to get our fees sanctioned. Get professional advice in this regard, if required.
- v) If the fee has been raised by > 10%, it has to be justified. Get ratification of PTA. Comply with the law. Dr. Ruchi Seth also suggested that NPSC could

prepare a ready-reckoner relating to fee rules which also clarified the purpose of utilization of fee under various heads

- vi) It was also agreed that Mrs. Ameeta Wattal would arrange for meetings with the new Director in small groups to place the concerns in front of the Directorate of Education.

POINTS OF ACTION FOR NPSC AND ITS MEMBERS

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do a self-audit: Kindly revisit and get a clear understanding of your own documents especially in terms of allotment and lease letters, compliances to the requirements under the various provisions of the DSER1973 and all subsequent orders and circulars to ensure conformity with special attention to EWS admissions, terms and conditions of employees etc. For this the guiding check list would be the format provided in the School Inspection Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Start working on the form since it is mandatory to fill up the form of returns and submit the documents. Last date is May 31, 2016. Caution has to be taken so as not to rewrite the accounts of the last 3 years but only furnish information sought.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fix a meeting of core group of 3/5 members with the Director of Education to place our viewpoint to the Department.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Formation of two to five-member committee to meet the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Delhi and Education Minister to place before them our concerns

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the host school by Mr. Dharmendra Goyal, Principal DPSG, Vasundhara.

(SEEMA JERATH)

Joint Secretary