

Rotary Club of Canterbury

Minutes of International Service Committee for July 11th 2013

1. **Attendance:** Rtns B A, V.B, M.G, A.H, C.L,V.P,T.P (Chairman) L.R.and P.S.
2. **Apologies:** Rtn J.H.
3. **Minutes of 11th June:** – no matters arising.
4. **Correspondence.**
 - a. Committee agreed to invite **Ashleigh Bell** to an International Committee Meeting and Meal as a guest of the committee. We can discuss with Ashleigh how she is funding the Orphanage in Kenya and how we may be able to assist.
 - b. Noted the **List of approved Charities** sent by Rotary International – we are already supported some – others be ones we can consider for support.
 - c. Noted that TP has the **£250 cheque for Sarah Jordon- Akiwumi** which awaits her return from Nigeria.
 - d. **Tools for Self Reliance** - the committee expressed thanks to Bob Anderson for his work in collecting second hand tools for the Charity. Noted that there will probably be a locally based refurbishment centre provided by the Canterbury Hospice. Elizabeth Birmingham collects the tools at present.
 - e. Noted **Health for All Charity** newsletter with article from Dr Sykes of the bridge Surgery who visited the Bihar province in India and saw the success of the Micro Credit programme we financed.
5. **Apprenticeship Training Course** in the Kakojoki Province of South Sudan. If successful we would get \$500 towards the costs of the three month bricklaying course which we would have to match out of our own funds. The decision on which applications would get funding would be made in November/December and the next course would start in March.
6. **Joint Pentangular Project (JPP)** will be Leuven's Prosthetic Limb Project in the Congo and all the clubs are expected to apply for 4,000 E from District Designated Funds to boost the overall funds. There are three separate funding sources from Rotary. District Grants for up to \$1,000, District Designated Funds up to \$5,000 and Global Grants from £\$35,000 to £100,000. The last two have to be online applications so I am trying to get some assistance within the club to download the Global Grant Application Forms. All three are in dollars whilst all the Pentangular Funding seems to be in Euros. I have been in contact by Email with Paul Bosman who understands the funding process completely.

7. **Canterbury's JPP project** is the Juba Educational Bursary Project for 35,000E and the application form is with the President. An Email from Paul Bosman is supportive that our project will get approval as the next JPP and funding seems to be sufficient to start the next JPP in 2014. However St Quinton has their own project and there will be a meeting in Leiden in November to decide which project to support and Robert Boyd- Howell, Viv Pritchard and Rosemary Doyle will be our representatives.
8. **Presentation by Margaret Griffin** on the Juba Model Secondary School in South Sudan. We viewed a site plan of the school and noted where future building and renovation work was needed and noted that furniture and books were also needed. The committee discussed how we could proceed and TP will contact Ivan Chapman the District Funding Officer to find out what we can and cannot apply for as the recent decision to ban all new build has complicated funding applications. The committee were keen to decide, on principle, to support the Juba School but it seems prudent to seek advice from District before committing ourselves.
9. **Agreed to give Aquabox £350** so that we match the income from the weekly raffle to what we give the Charity. Action TP to get cheque from AS. Our funds would drop to £950 but we hope that the Top Choir funds would produce further funding for our project work.
10. No new ideas on future funding opportunities but we may have news from the Canterbury Youth Parliament and Operation Sunshine soon

Date of Next Meeting to be arranged.