

Canterbury Rotary Club

November 18th International Committee Minutes

1. Attendance Rtns V.Banks, Margaret Griffin and Tony Pomeroy (Chairman)

2. Apologies Rtns B.Anderson, R.Boyd-Howell, G.Colson, J Harris, C.Lees, L.Rea and F.Hussain.

3. Minutes of October 14th and no matters arising.

4. Finance £2425 available.

5. Correspondence

a. TP has submitted a District Grant Application for the Tigray Midwifery Project in Ethiopia for \$870 which is DG 1415-27 and had an Email response from Ralph Stanger the District Grant Liaison Officer saying, although it is the first application for the contingency budget, it may be some time before we get a decision. I have contacted Nicky Morgan the midwife/trustee of the local Healthcare Ethiopia Trust to say the application has been submitted but we cannot hand over any money until we are told of the outcome of the application. A copy of the application is available to committee members.

b. Cheque to the Youth Parliament for £150 has been posted and receipt from Martin Vye.

c. Rosie Irons will attend the December International Committee meeting and speak to the committee about her time with the Nuevas Esperanzas Charity in Nicaragua.

d. Noted the Email from Nagib Borg of the Juba Rotary Club agreeing to be the Host Club for our Pentangular Club Joint Project at the Juba Model Diocesan Secondary School and we will be the Sponsoring Club. I sent them an outline of how they can apply for a Global Grant and that we can assist them in the on line application.

e. No news from the Leuven Rotary Club about the Global Grant for their Orthotics and Prosthetics Project in Kinshasa , Congo. Our own application for a District Designated Grant to support Canterbury's funding for Leuven's jointly funded project has been submitted but cannot be processed until their Global Grant has been submitted.

f. RH has placed our "role" and "terms of reference" on our club web site. People who apply for funding will know what we can support and how our decision is made. Our refreshed page on the International Committee has also been inserted. Thanks to Robin Hendy.

g. The Apprentice Training Course in Lire South Sudan has been completed and that funding came for a District Grant so we have to submit a report to District on the outcome.

h. Margaret Griffin explained how her Teacher Training Course will run at the Juba School at the start of the school year in 2015 and she has some funding in place already. Cdr Dean of the JDMSS Support Group sent his thanks to Canterbury Rotary for our funding of the Bursary Programme and Mrs Askew the Sponsorship Administrator included a paper on the criteria and selection process which is used to decide which students get a bursary. This Girls only Bursary comes to an end this year and is replaced by the new Joint Pentangular Project.

i. The President asked the committee to find out if Shelterbox is involved in the Ebola Outbreak in West Africa. Their web site said although they are ready to send boxes they haven't been asked for assistance yet.

j. No second hand bikes yet to send to the Dover Immigration Centre for renovation.

6. AOB none

Next meeting on the 9th of December 6.0 when Rosie Irons will talk to us about her time in Nicaragua. I will be recommending a donation of £500 to the Guildford Rotary Club for their Free Eye Surgery Charity which has built a number of new eye hospitals in India. John Miles of the charity is down to speak to the club but that might not be until the spring of 2015 and I will be asking Club Council for more funds.