

October 2014 International Committee Minutes

- 1. Attendance Rtms A.Holmes, R.Boyd-Howell,F.Hussein,J.Harris and T.Pomeroy (Chairman) and President V.Pritchard**
- 2. Apologies. Rtms B.Anderson and M.Griffin. Noted later that V.Banks had been unwell and best wishes sent to him.**
- 3. Minutes of September meeting accepted and no matters arising.**
- 4. Finance £2825 available.**
- 5. Correspondence**
 - a. Noted that Chairman had contacted the Sreepur Charity (Bangladesh) to say that, as they were a Beckenham based charity, that they do not meet our criteria for funding.**
 - b. Committee formally approved of the £150 donation, approved through the “between meetings” system that we had made to the International Youth Parliament. This was a late application from the organiser Nick Hayes, a teacher from the Simon Langton Boys School for catering costs at a school debating competition held at Christchurch University. TP and BA attended on behalf of the committee and thought the debates were of a high standard and demonstrated the interest students had in current affairs. However the request, we thought, should have gone to the Community Service Committee as the event was local rather than international.**
 - c. Noted that our cheque for £250 had been given to Harry Butcher of the 14th Canterbury Scout Group who is going to Japan for a World Wide Jamboree. General discussion on the merits of funding young people to do project work overseas and the benefit to Rotary and the youngster.TP explained that the recipient is always asked to come to Rotary and talk about their experiences.**
 - d. Noted the receipt and thanks from Canon Peter Warr of the Team Tanzania Charity for the £150 for the coop and chickens for a leper village in Tabora, Tanzania.**
 - e. The committee were shown papers by Margaret Griffin about the Teacher Training Programme that the Juba Diocesan Secondary School was planning. MG would be keeping us informed about the programme.**
 - f. The possibility of applying for a District Grant for a Midwifery Programme in Ethiopia was discussed and approved. TP was waiting for a response from Nicky Morgan a midwife and trustee of the Healthcare Ethiopia Partnership Charity who is looking at medical equipment we might fund. Action Chairman to draft an application for committee to look at.**
 - g. Noted the Email from Alasdair Hogarth the secretary of the Kajokeji Educational Trust about the delay in starting their Apprentice Training Programme in South Sudan. The delay was due to the civil unrest in the country and the programme had been switched to Lire a town away from the disturbances.**
 - h. Noted that three committee members MG, RBH and TP had attended a Rotary Funding Session at Boughton Golf Club which “qualifies” the club for funding applications. There was a useful briefing on Global Grant applications which will help when we start our Joint Funding Pentangular project in Juba next year.**
 - i. AOB. Newsletter from “Seeds for Africa” Charity about the Meru Women’s Garden Project. Next meeting 9th December .**