

Rotary Club of Canterbury

International Committee Minutes 13th October 2015

Present: Rotarians Boyd-Howell, Anderson, Griffin, Lees, Le Fleming, Pritchard, Wheeler,

Apologies: Rotarians Banks, Bobba, Holmes

1. **Visitor:** Pattie Baxter spoke of the current situation regarding Hope Romania (copy attached).

2. **Apologies** – as above

3. **Minutes** of Meeting 28 September approved

4. **Matters arising**

South Sudan

Margaret Griffin reported full year entry for School Certificate in Juba School. Students were being sent on Scholarship Awards to countries ranging from China to Turkey. New School Leadership Team raising standards and broadening Curriculum. Staff Training Courses provided.

Together with the Juba Rotary Club link, senior Politicians have supportive links with the School. Security – while there is always tribal fighting in the Country, this did not affect Juba. 500 British Troops present. While appreciating Margaret Griffin's personal commitment to creating and carrying forward the Project, a check to be made on Rotary's support of travel and accommodation costs to defray these.

Tony Pomeroy heavily involved in Grant Planning – Pierre Le Fleming to accompany to Seminar on Grant Procedures.

John- Paul Ekins Concert – being carried forward by PP Viv Pritchard etc.

5. **Lüdenscheid** contact re support for Refugees Chairman in contact re best assist financially or in clothing – Viv Pritchard requesting details.

6. **Shelter Box** change of ownership and re-assurance re security of funding was expressed at recent Cub Meeting Talk by David Hatcher.

7. **Finance** – input awaited from Duck Race (£7,00+).

8. **Ideas** for future support sought for the next Meeting.

9. **AOB** Bihar Project supported by us and the Forest of Blean involves Grant of £4,000 to be raised over 3 years – FoB alerts us to their major Auction of Promises for November 2017.

10. **Agreed** to send the sum of £1000.00 to The Society of Friends specifically for their work with the World Council of Churches as International Observers on the Israel/Palestine borders. Please refer to minutes of 8/9/15

Dates of future Meetings 6pm on November 10th and December 8th.