

# INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF TUESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2020

In attendance: Viv Pritchard (Chairman), Margaret Griffin, Rosemary Doyle, Graham Bough, Bob Anderson, Gill Dixon

1. Apologies – Robin Vickers
2. Minutes of last meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> January 2020 - agreed
3. Matters arising
  - a. Transaid – confirm that cheque for £500 sent.
  - b. RC Dhaka – no further information
  - c. Tools for Self Reliance – Confirm that CL has agreed to work with BA to develop a new role. BA to arrange meeting with John Burton.
  - d. Mary's Meals – JR has been in contact with the charity and has posted information on our donations on social media. Possible that representative of Mary's Meals may address the club at a future meeting.
4. Pentangular Projects
  - a. Update on JPP3 Juba – Awaiting information on students enrolling for Year 4. We can then firm up budget for the completion of the project
  - b. Update on JPP4 – Project to provide care and teaching of deaf children in Chisinau, Moldova. Two years of funding from the pentangular partners, totalling 20,000 Eu. No information on progress on Global Grant application. VP to enquire with President, also to find out if risk assessment undertaken on financial security and partnership with local Rotary club, in view of experience with Juba. Need to clarify who, within this club, is responsible long term for monitoring pentangular projects.
5. Lend with Care – The login details are:

Email: [Km13ykk@gmail.com](mailto:Km13ykk@gmail.com)

No action since last meeting. Total 186 loans have been made, 978 entrepreneurs have been helped, 3008 family members supported and 687 jobs created. The credit balance now stands at £322.

6. Budget – Estimated £1300 available to spend, awaiting confirmation of further funds available following Club Council meeting.
7. Ideas for new donations
  - a. Koden School, Burkino Faso – in view of current shortage of funds, consideration of this charity will be deferred until further notice.
  - b. Team Tanzania – BA has been in correspondence with Peter Warr. Project to build new school in Nyakanazi almost complete. This is the 12<sup>th</sup> school built by Team Tanzania over the past 12 years. Peter is planning to make his final trip to visit the school in May. After discussion, **it was agreed that we should offer a donation of £500 towards the purchase of books, desks and chairs for the new school.**
  - c. Meru Gardens Project – VP to contact the organisers and Child.org to find out the current situation with this project. Matter to be reconsidered at the next meeting.
  - d. Ideas for possible district grant application – VP asked members to consider projects which may be suitable for application for a district grant. It is important to identify a specific, tangible project, but one which will require funding in the medium term future – say 6-12 months. VP would like to commit to submitting one district grant application by next September.
8. Any other business
  - a. RC Paharpur – This club has been in contact to ask if we would be interested in partnering them for a future global grant application. After discussion with the President, it was agreed that we are not currently in a position to make a major financial commitment to another large project.
  - b. Members of the committee were concerned about the disruption to the normal scheduling of the committee's monthly meeting, over the past few months. This has been caused by changes to the long established pattern of the club's evening meetings programme.
9. Date of next meeting – 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 6.00PM