

Minutes of a meeting of the Outreach Committee held on Tuesday 3 November 2015 in the St. George's room, All Saints'.

**PRESENT:**

Richard Stetson, Nancy Wigens, Ken Strike, Derek Emmerson, Lynda Turner – Chair.

Apologies were received from Sue Savage and Joanna Southwell.

Ken agreed to be Secretary.

Richard opened the meeting with a prayer at 3:00pm

**MATTERS ARISING.**

Lynda advised that Sue had found a volunteer to organize the Angel Tree for Christmas.

**SPECIAL PROJECTS.**

Lynda brought to the attention of the committee the particular need of two Kenyan Special Schools for autistic children and others with special needs.

She recommended that this year's projects be devoted to the purchase of basic furniture tailored to the needs of the children.

Another project is the supply of Comfort Kits for Aids victims including, food, transportation, mattresses, blankets etc. in Malawi.

Each of these to cost \$50 per donation.

These projects were readily accepted.

**2016 COMMITTEE PROJECTS.**

Two new projects were needed, one Local and one International. The following recommendations were made:

To MSF (Doctors without Borders) for assistance to Refugees, proposed by Ken. This will be reviewed in January along with the Indian proposals.

To Dr. Chandra for his operation in India, proposed by Derek. It was noted that Dr. Chandra had received generous support in the initial stages and it would appear that the operation was now stable and largely independent. Derek to check with Hu'.

Another project in India but there were no details available, proposed by Richard who would contact Christina for more details.

Support for the establishment of a Trade School in Kenya, proposed by Nancy. Lynda noted that although there was no Trade School in the neighbourhood of the schools already supported there was a good one in the local region.

Support was also given for a Rain Collection System for a Special School in Kenya.

**Local Projects:**

In preparation for assisting Syrian Refugees in the near future Richard proposed that a sum per year, say \$1000, be set aside to build a fund. Proposed by Richard and seconded by Nancy

To the "Food for Kids" programme administered by the local School District. Proposed by Ken Seconded by Derek. Carried. Ken will provide details of who administers the programme and will receive the funds.

**2016 BUDGET.**

The following suggestions were made for consideration.

- Guatemala, ongoing.
- \$1,000 for the school in Kenya
- Possibly Dr. Chandra
- \$4,000 be set aside for International projects.
- Food for Kids  
keep in mind Family Place
- Start a fund for Refugee assistance

## **OTHER BUSINESS.**

Lynda reported that the Bridge players who pay to enter the tournament, being serious players, do not always support the Silent Auction, and she asked permission to continue the Auction on Sunday after church at All Saints'. Richard would consult the Wardens and advise.

The Bridge Tournament profits would provide sanitary kits for Kenyan schoolgirls.

The meeting terminated at 4:00pm. With the next meeting scheduled for Tuesday 12 January 2016 at 3:00pm.