

International Committee

Notes on meetings June/July/August 2015

The following is a summary of our recent meetings, with apologies for not submitting them before.

Sagkahan Project

Moving ahead well. ALB visited in June. Told that we could access US\$10000 through DG Buddy for further projects. Walls had to have additional lintel added but cost defrayed by government having roofed the modern classroom and 2 others in the block. Amount saved 499000ps to put to other areas.

Paint was essential but had been taken out of the original budget (by ALB). However due to weather it is needed to act as sealant. ALB to look at other sources for paint funds. Need £1000.

Local travel in Philippines covered in budget but ALB had put her exp back in.

Decided that building 3 on original plans should be 1 room instead of 2 rooms. This would become multi purpose room. Would need 4 ceiling fans and only 1 toilet instead of 2.

Separate 2 individual rooms (block 2) still required classroom toilet. Decided to construct within room but using existing windows (half covered) for ventilation since local government had recently installed louvre windows.

Cost of training had not been covered : Nice to give Ed Cumpio estimate re hiring additional staff to cover training staff, food and meals. Training to start on 13 July for 4 weeks with 20 per session.

Solar : quote had been for 300 watt unit but needed 700 watt unit. This had been misinterpretation of suppliers' information. Decided to wait until solar expert arrived from Cebu to recommend best installation.

Some teacher desks had already been supplied. Therefore headteacher advised we could reduce our budget by 50% and use funds elsewhere.

Report to Foundation to be 50% and 100% through project.

DG Buddy queried hand over date. His itinerary tricky and various other visits planned. Decided to discuss with JD and put forward dates.

Discussed supply of reflective stickers on back of pedi-cabs

Beef Roast in August

Attended by 27 people including children. Gross taken £459. Agreed that £100 of net profit to go to Home Start. (nb since meeting ALB received bill for beef at £178 therefore profit £281.) Next year to invite the other clubs in earlier time. Also to have beef cooked to carve, not pull. Otherwise a good afternoon for all.

Concert Preparations

In the August meeting it was decided to try and obtain raffle prizes as follows :

JS to organise a hamper (including purchasing a basket if necessary) – ALB to ask cheese shop for contribution?

ALB to purchase 2 good concert tickets eg Halle at Nottingham

£100 cash prize

Ragdale or Barnsdale Lodge – a spa day

Twin Lakes – family day ticket

JD a flight

Tickets to be £1 a ticket, £5 a book and printed asap

Publicity : discussed whether to have shelter box tent in market place – but thought probably better to therefore collect for shelter box itself. ALB had put good article in Melton Times and 4 tickets sold already.

Leaflets – already available for distribution. List of villages to be drawn up and allocated to people to distribute to notice boards

Discussed possibility of having the wishing well at the concert – and indeed at other locations