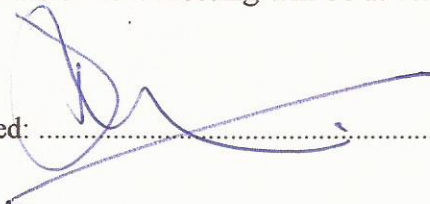


Highland Malawi Trust

Minute of meeting at 9 Lochardil Place, Inverness, Wednesday 4th February 2015

1. Present – Reay Macgill (Trustee) Chrisanne Macleod (Trustee), Douglas Morrison (Trustee), Brian Macgill (Trustee).
2. Previous minute of 3rd December 2014, noted and approved.
3. Matters arising were that letters of thanks had been sent to Nessie Logan of Largo Baptist Church and to Mrs Anne Stokes of Edinburgh. A donation of £1,220 had been sent to the Raven Trust in recognition of the number of boxes recently shipped to Malawi.
4. Bank Account - balance is £6,672 noting that £5,850 of Gift Aid had been received from HMRC but before outstanding transportation costs c. £200 for recent shipments of banana boxes and cash lodgements of £170 giving a working balance of £6,642.
5. Updates from Malawi
 - a. Mr Lupia had been contacted by telephone Otherwise, all our supported groups had been visited and were in good spirits. Mary's Meals are now serving the Thandazga Junior School. Thandazga nursery building still needs completion (doors) to be converted to a proper kitchen. There is a lack of cooking pots.
 - b. The feeding programme to all three groups had been a success despite the absence of ground nuts.
 - c. There has been no progress with the well borehole at Chamalaza due to flooding in the south of the country and an absence of a drilling machine in the north region.
 - d. Educational sponsorship of Brown Lupia continues although Mr Lupia advised that he may change the school attended after Easter.
 - e. Mr Lupia relayed a question from the groups to see if a visit to Malawi was planned in 2015 and had been advised that this was unlikely.
6. Presentations and Fundraising
 - a. A quiz is planned for 13th March at Raigmore recreation hall. Prize for team members will be a bottle of red or white wine.
 - b. Presentations were made to Daviot Church Guild and Dalneigh Church Guild. Reay was well received and some further donations received. A further presentation is booked for Trinity Church Guild.
 - c. A Strawberry Tea is planned for June. Details not finalised yet.
7. Trust Website
 - a. There have been further updates to the site with material recently received from Malawi. There was agreement that the site is much improved and easy to use with a means of visitors to contact by email.
 - b. Also noted that there is a visitor counter on the website.
8. Date of next meeting will be at 7:30pm on Thursday 30th April 2015

Signed:



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