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Global School Partners Meeting 22 August 2012

Date: August 22, 2012

Time: 7:15 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Venue: 13 Borrowdale Street, Red Hill, ACT

Attendance: Alison and Drewe Just, Suzanna King, Kathy and Tony Laudenbach,

Danni Laudenbach, Damian, Stacey King, Kit Woolley, Simon Carroll

Welcome Simon Carroll welcomed members and opened the meeting at 7.28pm

Projects

Donor projects successfully completed in 14 schools, reports and photos received, money paid.

Recent fundraising:

- 1. St Joseph's Primary has raised funds for electricity to be installed in Riamabana Orphanage.
- 2. CGGS Jnr has raised funds for 3 classrooms to be built at Canberra Sunshine Academy.
- 3. Sacred Heart has raised finds to complete the classroom at Takima Academy.
- 4. Cabramatta Public has raised funds for Charcha Kiomanga use yet to be determined.
- 5. Cabramatta High has raised funds for Nyamusi Girls use yet to be determined.
- 6. Good Shepherd, Arawang and Latham are currently fundraising for their partners.

Alliances

7. 24 children are now sponsored.

Planet Pen – Simon met with Gabriel Gasage of Planet Pen who have offered to provide stationery for GSP's next container. Talks also explored the opportunity for GSP to be involved with Planet Pen in a school in Solomon Islands, possibly in conjunction with a school in Tasmania. Discussions to continue.

ACSI – Simon met with Carl Palmer who is responsible for activities of ACSI in Asia, talks involved discussion on GSP's intentions in the area of teacher training in Africa. Carl offered to introduce the African manager for ACSI to GSP. Discussions to continue.

HPI – Simon met with Terry and Julie Gaughan in Qld, talks around forming an alliance between HPI and GSP whereby GSP would introduce projects to HPI members

wanting to do some work in Africa. Plus offer by HPI to act as GSP agent in Qld and work with schools there to partner with schools in Kenya. Simon to draw up a Memorandum of Understanding between the 2 organisations.

Financial – Simon Carroll tabled an amended end of year financial report.

Roles and responsibilities

Marketing – Suzi King agreed to continue and increase her involvement with GSP marketing activities.

Finance and accounting – Alison Just agreed to administer the bank account and financial records of GSP.

Pen pals – Stacey King agreed to facilitate the pen pal correspondence.

Communication channels – Simon Carroll agreed to continue the communication between GSP and partner schools in both Australia and Kenya.

Kenyan project assessment – Drewe Just agreed to participating in the assessment of Kenyan projects, both for approval and review.

Fundraising – will be part of marketing. GSP's presence at various schools fetes was discussed.

Outreach/growth in Australia – Kit Woolley has tentatively agreed to begin communications with some Australian schools, in conjunction with Simon Carroll. Computer access to GSP files – Tony Laudenbach agreed to investigate various 'cloud' options and make a recommendation to GSP.

DGR application – Simon Carroll agreed to continue this work.

Wrap-up

Meeting closed at 9.10pm