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Dear Sir  
Dear Grace Committee

Answer the letter of August 30, 2012 which explains more about the budget of 2012-2013 and the performance of the other projects that we are doing.

I would like to thank you all for the kindness of helping the people at the farm and the community of Chipunga.

The detailed calculation of the budget overview for 2012-2013 is well understood and explained to us. We were not expecting such writing but this is what we were looking for.

As I have already written in the previous reports, that what we agreed is to start paying the money before we get fertilizer. Indeed the system is working as I am writing the other people has finished paying the money for the fertilizer and other people has also paid. Our aim is to finish quickly so that we should go for other things.

Everybody has applied for the things we have proposed. I hope that we can also buy other things if the C.D.C. sees that everybody has paid the money within 8 months. This means that all those who are about to finish the payback of the money for fertilizer and these who have already finished, they still remaining to pay the money for mattress and solar panel which is amount to 7000 MK, if the prices of the items remains the same like when we were sending the proposals.

#### PRE-SCHOOL

To our side, the C.D.C. we really say this is what we were waiting for. Because we are the only right people here in Malawi who look after the thing.

I recommend that during the stay of Dagmar who introduced thy system that the Pre-school teacher went for vocational training has helped a lot in both schools. The learners from Pre-school are doing fine at Primary school.

The school fees at the Pre-school has been raised up from 200 MK to 300 MK. This is because things has gone up in our country. The C.D.C. has decided that after having a meeting with the people from the community together with all the parents of the kids who are learning at our Pre-schools. People accepted it after looking at the situation of things in our country.

But still we are facing a problem in payment of school fees. They are paying, but it takes too long to finish. Some can pay now some they will pay in one month after the others. The number of Children who are schooling this year has been increased in both schools. We have tried together with the pre-school committee to collect the school fees.

The money for school fees is the money that we use for buying the food for learners that they should be eating during break time so that we can encourage them for coming to school everytime.

Concerning the wages for Pre-school teacher we can't comment anything we are just thankful for sending us the money for their salaries for outstandings and the budget requested for 2013 for them.

#### MONEY OVERHEAD OF 8%

As I have started to thank all of the member and for your writing I want to say again that the budget for 2012-2013 is really different with other budgets from previous years. This year budget is really showing that everything has been categorised with the money in the boxes. This will help us to go step by step and I hope that with overhead of 8% we will face no problem. Because if they will be devaluation then we will have already 8% on top of our budget of 2013.

#### FOR MALARIA PROPHYLAXIS

As you are aware that in Malawi the high deathrate of children is due to Malaria. Thus why we C.D.C. have planned to run the health project. We already discussed about with our old volunteer Lynn but now we will involve Manuel and Henrika. But if we start this project we will write a proposal and send it to you together with a state of everything concerning this project.

#### CHIPUNGA PRIMARY SCHOOL

I feel very sorry that we haven't informed you about our shortage of teacher at Chipunga Primary School and that we have talked to Joachim that if there is a chance we need some teachers. We did it through Anja from GIZ. And I thought that Lynn has written you an email. We were discussing together with her about that issue it was during the meeting with Renata from the GIZ.

At the moment we have got 6 teachers at Chipunga Primary School, four Ladies one man, who is Mr. Ngwira. Elija is out he wants to go further in his education. The time when we were contacting to Emanuel we had only four teachers.

During that time Mr. Ngwira was a way in Zomba for Examination Marking.

Now let me tell you that we have applied for five teachers at Emanuel Teacher College. We will get the response very soon. They have already promised us that we will get five teachers in February, when we will apply.

Now the system how to get a teacher has changed at first we were doing the process with the district. But now we can get the teachers direct to here, after that is when we go with them to the district education office for documentation. All the students who are interested to come to Chipunga can just phone me or the head teacher because we already gave them our phone numbers. Then if they will be in Mzuzu we can just contact Bernhard to transport them to here.

#### NEW TEAM

We have welcome the new volunteers in the community as well as here at the farm. Even though they have arrived in different months. They all are living in one house they are doing things together but of course in different projects. We have got two volunteers under Weltwärts and Heidrun is from GRACE like Dagmar. As of now all have started well their work in different various working places.

#### SCHOLARSHIP

Let me start with telling you that this year we have no winner for Boarding Secondary Scholarship. This means that we are still remaining with two students Fatsan our first winner and Sankan the second winner. The school fees for these two students has gone up.

Fatsan is paying now 36,000 MK per term from 25,000MK per term.

Sankan is paying now 9,250 MK per term from 7,250 MK per term.

That means for Fatsan 108,000MK per year and for Sankan 27,750MK per year, together 135,750MK per year.

There is no winner for a Boarding Secondary School, but winners for Chikwina Day Community Secondary School (D.C.S.S.). This new scholarship will work like for the workers at the farm, but different system. We have received the names of the new winners from the headmaster at Chipunga Primary School. They were ten, but now there are only eight left because someone don't want his child to be included in the scholarship because he is working at the farm. The other one was the brother of Elija but we don't now where he is. We have tried to communicate with Elija but he has changed his phone number. If anything happens we will report to you.

Now the issue is that out of 8 winners 2 are schooling at Chikwina D.C.S.S. The other 6 has been transfered to other schools. Their parents doesn't want their children to learn at Chikwina D.C.S.S. This is due to low education at the school.

Even the things goes like this the C.D.C. agrees with them that the system remain the same for the payment of fees, like as it is at the community secondary school.

Whether your child is paying 25,000MK or 10,000MK but we will base only with 2,500 MK if they bring a receipts we will give them 75% from us. To us we will face no problem with this system because people agreed in the meeting of announcing the new winner at Chipunga Primary School also the parents of the learners and other like school management C.D.C. P.T.A.

The financial report for 2011-2012 will come soon.  
Looking forward for your reply

Yous faithfully  
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