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1 | BOARD'S REPORT 2017

2017 was not an easy year for Harambee Foundation Holland. On the one hand, the continuing cooperation and the discussions about the future with the Kenyan team, finalizing certain projects, and starting new projects give a positive image. On the other hand, failure to register the Kenyan foundation, the uncertain political situation, and fundraising are of great concern to us all.

Cooperation in Kenya

Early 2017, we said goodbye to two of our partners. Albert Webale decided to run for member of parliament, which is not compatible with the work for our organization. The cooperation with Tryphosa Nandasaba, who coordinated trainings and courses, started to become a bit troublesome in 2016, which culminated in her stepping back in early 2017. We thank both of them for the work that they have done for our foundation. The cooperation with the remaining partners in Kenya, John Were, Fr. Peter Makokha, Jacob Omondi and Tatwa Mwachi, has been unabatedly good. The partners act as a team and help and support each other with any problems.

While cooperation with the 40 schools remains good, it does need attention. Due to changes in government policy, new laws and regulations, and transfers of school principals, it has been decided not to give any trainings and courses for now. Until it will have become clear what the changes in government policy mean for us in practice, our foundation cannot decide in which way, in addition to the government's activities, trainings and courses should be shaped.

During Marianne and Roel's visits, there were several meetings with the partners to discuss the progress of the projects, to help and support each other, and the discuss policies. In addition, the partners met regularly. They have done a lot of work.



Discussions with the county government in Kenya remains difficult. It is unclear how the relationship with the new Governor and Minister of Education will be shaped. In 2017, we had meetings with both the county and the regional representatives of the national government and the MP's.

The future of Harambee Foundation Holland

During Marianne and Roel's visits, there were a lot of meetings with the partners about the realization and the plan for the Kenyan foundation. Failure to register the Kenyan foundation has made the already complicated transition process even more difficult. However, thanks to meaningful discussions with our partners, we were able to further realize the plans for Harambee Foundation Kenya. We will keep using this name locally due to its familiarity in the region.

Because of Albert Webale's resignation in 2017, Tatwa Mwachi took over as CEO. He also takes the lead in HFK's realization. Participating in the Wilde Ganzen 'Change the Game' program has expanded Tatwa Mwachi's knowledge of fundraising. In this context, his journey to Europe was extremely useful and it has expanded the possibilities for fundraising.

It was also decided that Marianne and Roel Meijers will not take part in Harambee Foundation Kenya to stress the Kenyan profile of HFK. However, they will remain available as advisors and will, for now, help raising funds.

All in all, the transition process remains a difficult subject for which there is no outlined procedure, and which can only be shaped in practice, by having many open and frank discussions.

Board business

The board met six times in 2017. Its assembly has not changed in that year. The cooperation remains absolutely pleasant.

Financing the projects

Cooperation with the Tilburg-based Bureau International Collaboration (BIS) again lead to new donations from several new organizations for our projects in 2017. Working with BIS has become very familiar. We also received donations from 'familiar' organizations for our projects. Because of that, all planned projects could be realized.

In 2017, fundraising also started to be a part of the Kenyan foundation. We agreed with our Kenyan team that funds for new projects will be found in both Kenya and the Netherlands.

Our own revenues in 2017 amount to € 48.575 (€ 68.954 in 2016). Besides that, we have not received any revenues from fundraising by third parties (Wilde Ganzen, Stichting Sukaisa, etc.) (€ 0 in 2016).

Projects

The next projects were successfully finished:

Kamusinga Primary School: construction of two dormitories for orphans and construction of a septic tank. After a long construction period with many ups and downs, this project was finally finished and employed by the school. One dormitory is for the boys, the other one is for the girls.

Ugolwe Primary School: furnishing the library and the computer room. With beautiful sofas, cupboards, and furnishing of the computer room, a model library was made which can serve as an example for other projects of this nature.

Several schools: purchasing of school desks. In 2017, three schools have received new school desks (Ugolwe Primary School, Murumba Yiro Primary School, and Ikapolok Primary School). This was the last year in a three-year project of which seven schools have benefited.

New projects were able to take off and/or be prepared:

Mitua Girls Secondary School: construction of a building with showers, toilets, and personal hygiene facilities. After delivering the check, construction has started.

Elukhari Mixed Secondary School: construction of a library with room to study. After delivering the check, construction has started.

Several schools: construction of toilets for boys and girls. The project is sponsored by three Rotary clubs (in the Netherlands, Belgium, and Kenya) and Rotary Foundation.

Kitayi Primary School: construction of three kindergartens.

Makunga Secondary School: construction of two Chemistry and Physics classrooms. No trainings and courses focused on education quality were given in 2017. It was unclear in which way our foundation could shape these activities in addition to the government's activities. We expect to have more clarity in 2018.

Financial position

The sum of our expenses (to the foundation's objective) in a percentage of the sum of profits is 142% (2016: 166%).

Risks and risk management

Limiting the risks and insecurities is an important part of the foundation's work.

Politics

The 2017 political situation in Kenya was very tumultuous due to the elections. By meeting regularly with representatives of both national and county government, a good relationship has been built. The foundation's work has not suffered from the elections.



Operational activities in Kenya

Over the past few years, the foundation has developed a clear-cut working method to prevent corruption. Our local partners' role is crucial. Together with the school board, they keep an eye on the project. The local 'county works officer' inspects materials and the construction. The parents' contribution to materials must be present at the school before the project begins. A check, on which the contribution of both the foundation and the parents is mentioned, is delivered in the presence of all parties. That way, everyone knows how much money is involved in the project. Before the start of the project, an agreement (MoU) is drawn up in which the contents of the project are mentioned, as well as the number of financial transactions. The school opens a special bank account to which the money from the Netherlands is wired. To withdraw the money in Kenya, three signatures are needed, including one from the partner. After finishing the project, a financial report is made for our foundation, including receipts and bills.

Personal security

The Dutch embassy in Nairobi provides information with regards to travel advice. We notify the embassy when members of the board visit Kenya. We travel as much during daylight as possible. The accommodation during the visit is guarded. The board members have a lot of experience with several security aspects.

Financing the projects

Before starting a project, the total sum needed is raised in the Netherlands. By doing that, we prevent projects from being worked on on credit. In 2017, no serious problems occurred with regards to these risks and insecurities.

Future

Extra attention remains necessary to keep revenues from fundraising at an acceptable level, so that the projects can be financed. The collaboration with Bureau International Collaboration is a positive development. If possible, Wilde Ganzen will be asked to co-finance. Developing a network of funds in Kenya is absolutely necessary for local fundraising.

Shaping Harambee Foundation Kenya and the transition will be prepared further, step by step, and realized with the help of the knowledge, skills, experience, and advice from our board, the Kenyan team, and our advisors.

During Roel and Marianne's visits to Kenya (twice during the year, for a few weeks), a lot of attention will be given to the transition. The contribution and efforts of the Kenyan team will become more and more leading with regards to the approach and the activities.

We hope to be able to keep contributing the improving education in West-Kenya.

To conclude

In 2017, again, we had much help and support from the many people that care for our foundation, not only in the Netherlands, but in Kenya as well. Without this help, it is impossible to keep doing the hard work to improve education in West-Kenya. We would like to thank everyone who helped us in the past year. It is a privilege to be supported by so many people who contribute in whichever way possible to our work.

On behalf of the students and the parents in West-Kenya:

Thank you very much, asante sana, ero kamano, orio mno!

2 | FINANCIAL REPORT 2017

Below you will find the facts and figures of 2017 as determined by the Executive Committee. Van Oers Accountancy did the audit free of charge and approved the financial report of 2016. At request a full report may be received from the secretariat.

	31st december 2017		31st december 2016	
ASSETS	€		€	
<i>Receivables</i>	1,595			357
<i>Liquid means</i>	34,160			65,533
	35,755			65,890
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	€		€	
<i>Equity</i>				
Free purpose provision	11,742			20,783
Other reserves	10,000			10,000
Projects in progress	13,533			34,183
	35,005			64,966
<i>Purpose provision</i>				
Costs to be paid	750			924
Project expenses to be paid	-			-
	750			924
	35,755			65,890
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT	BUDGET	REALISATION	BUDGET	REALISATION
	2018	2017	2017	2016
<i>Revenues</i>				
Received from donors	7,500	7,575	10,000	15,004
Business contributions	500	650	0	100
Received from non-profit organisations	40,000	40,350	60,000	53,580
Received in terms of catering	2,850	3,000	0	3,600
Revenues from interest	-	-	300	357
Result of revenues	50,850	51,575	70,300	72,911
<i>Minus</i>				
Spent on projects	-40,850	-68,815	-60,300	-114,610
<i>Office and general expenses</i>				
Spent on office and general expenses	-10,000	-12,720	-10,000	-7,326
Result of expenses	-50,850	-81,535	-70,300	-121,936
Result of present financial year	0	-29,960	0	-49,025
Contribution for projects in progress	0	20,650	0	32,141
Contribution for purpose provision	0	-9,310	0	-16,884

Bavel, 30th June 2018

The Executive Committee of Harambee Foundation Holland

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