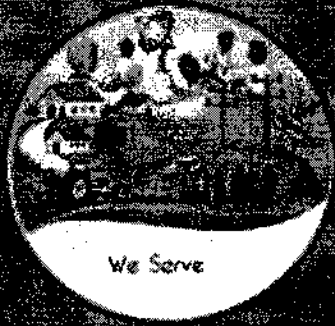


INTERNATIONAL 'WE SERVE' FOUNDATION, INC.

Foundation Board Meeting – Minutes Saturday, Apr. 14, 2018

1. **2.06 PM** - Chair Mr. V. Venugopal called the Board meeting to order. Chair, Venugopal, Prof. Seetha Subramanian, Prof. D. Sudharshan, Mr. Rohit Patel, Dr. Nirmala Desai, Mr. Mani Narayanasamy (via Skype), and Dr. M. S. Viji attended. Mrs. Usha Chandra & Dr. Sibhu Saha were excused. The Chair verified there was adequate quorum to conduct the Board meeting held at the Beaumont branch Lexington Public Library.
2. **Minutes of the last Board Meeting** (Dec. 2, 2017) – sent via email for review and submitted for review. The Minutes were proposed to be accepted as submitted, with no change, seconded and unanimously approved.
3. **Financial status Update** – up to Apr. 13, 2018 – was presented and discussed. Funds come from several collaborating partners. IWSF tries for matching funds to enhance the project. The Board was apprised how this multiplying made a difference in many completed projects. IWSF donors were quite happy. Clarified items the Board asked about. Following the discussions, the Financial Update was accepted as submitted.
4. **Missions & Projects Update** was presented (ppt) – covering Dec. 1, 2017 to Apr. 14, 2018. (pdf version presented at the Apr. 14, 2018 Meeting is included as part of these Minutes).
 - [i] **E-Learning Smart Classrooms** – 122 now, benefits 94,000 + poor students in TN, Pondy, Kerala and AP. IWSF is putting together projects to set up 375 more ESC during 2018. Many are planned in collaboration with Rotary Clubs and Rotary Districts in India and outside. Major donors are recognized properly in the ESC.
 - [ii] **Schools infrastructure** (Desks, benches, hand-washing stations, RO Drinking water systems, Toilets, Feminine napkin vending machines, Napkin incinerators, Sports facilities, etc. are included in these ESC projects as recommended by the collaborating local Rotary Clubs, with site visits & planning, as mandated by the rigorous terms and conditions of the Rotary Intl Global Grant Application and Approval process.
 - [iii] **120,000 FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES:** IBP is suddenly asking > \$ 12,000 / 40' FCL. IWSF cannot afford this higher cost. IWSF shall continue to collaborate with IBP when sufficient funds are available. Volunteer groups in many states are collecting books to dispatch to India. One 40' FCL was dispatched from Detroit, MI on June 8, 2017. IWSF shall guide these efforts to continue the FPL Project.
 - [iv] **'KALAM HOME LIBRARY' (KHL)** 70 KHL have been set up with funds + books donated by IWSF. 500 KHL shall be set up by June 30, 2018. Rotary Intl Director Mr. Basker is keen on all the 37 RI Districts & 3,500 + Rotary Clubs in India collaborate with IWSF in the KHL project. Many US donors have confirmed their support and plan to donate funds. IWSF Board Members shall inform their friends & contacts. IWSF shall seek matching funds to multiply this KHL benefiting more poor families. Estimated Cost: \$ 20 / KHL

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[v] 'AK-EDUSAT' Project: 23 Rotary Clubs in RID 3190 and Clubs in other countries are collaborating with IWSF in this Project. Many in India shall help to raise CSR funds for this Project. IWSF plans to contact several Heads of State informing them about AK-EDUSAT, seeking their support and funds.

[vi] RIGG 1733098 - approved and being implemented in Thirunelveli, TN, in collaboration with 3 Rotary Clubs in Canada. 10 ESC and school infrastructure for 22 rural schools will benefit thousands of children. Budget: US \$ 39,774. IWSF contribution US \$ 1,665 (given by a donor on behalf of IWSF)

RIGG 186431 - approval from RC Lexington, KY is awaited. 23 Public schools in RID 3212 - 23 ESC, School infrastructure, etc. benefiting 2,500 + students annually. Budget: US \$ 39,774. IWSF Contribution: Nil

RIGG 1869378 - Waiting for approval from Rotary Intl Foundation. Telemedicine Project to benefit 40,000 rural citizens outside Pune, Maharashtra, India. Budget: US \$ 99,450.00 IWSF donation: US \$ 1,000.

RIGG by RC Thamiraparani - waiting for approval from Rotary Intl Foundation (RIF). 651 students - ESC and school infrastructure. Budget: US \$ 38,503 IWSF Contribution: \$ 1,000.

261 ESC - RIGG: IWSF is helping 38 Rotary Clubs (RID 3142) to set up 261 ESC in Maharashtra, subject to RIGG approval. Budget: US \$ 186,400 IWSF shall raise funds (\$ 50,487) to qualify for RIF Match.

India E-School - a Non-profit in India that provides training for teachers - to adopt modern methods to teach, use E-Library, Digital Learning Contents, etc. IWSF has signed the MOU with this non-profit.

EkStep Foundation: A Non-profit in India that provides > 5,800 online courses in 17 different languages in India, from K-12. Even though freely available online, IWSF shall seek the formal approval with MOU to use their services and contents in IWSF IGNITING MINDS Mission when & where appropriate.

ENACTUS: This international Student-Academics-Corporations collaborative entity has 72,000 student members, 1,730 universities, hundreds of major corporations and is in 36 countries in the world. Invited by the Leaders & Advisors of Enactus, Midway University to learn about IWSF. Will address the Annual Banquet on Apr. 25th. They plan to support Education oriented projects of IWSF.

5. 2018 meetings plan: Saturday - starting at 2.00 PM July 14, 2018 - will email the venue details later.

6. There were no other items to discuss. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 3.37 PM.

Jul. 21, 2018 Reviwed & approved [✓] as submitted without any change [] with advised changes

Signature: V. Venugopal
Chair, IWSF Board - Mr. Vinodh Venugopal

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