

## **Asha Zurich's Monthly Meeting – July 2013**

**Date:** 05.07.2013

**Time:** 18.30 to 21:15

**Venue:** Sitzungszimmer, TEZET Oerlikon, Gubelstrasse 10, Zurich 8050

**Members present:** Prat, Doris, Akshata, Kamlesh, Rajesh, Rajvi, Sachin and Tejasvini (new member)

**Minutes written by:** Prat

The following issues were discussed in the meeting.

### **Zurich Marathon (7.4.2013) update**

Rajesh reported the net profit as of 05.07.2013 as 11, 942 CHF. About 300 CHF from the pledged amount was not received. But it was decided that Asha will not officially pursue it anymore.

### **Nirmaan (Haveri) update**

Prat informed the group that Indranil sent the FCRA letter to Nirmaan on the 28<sup>th</sup> of June. Prat has contacted Vijay and Karibasappa for a confirmation. He will update the group when a confirmation is received.

### **Status update of the projects**

1. Rajesh has transferred 6,295 CHF to VMS for the period of January – June. Sachin will ask the India coordinator Father Assis for a report and the bills.
2. SACSAS coordinator in India has already asked for funds for the second installment. Rajesh will transfer it upon receiving a report and the bills for the first installment.
3. Rajesh has transferred 5,200 CHF to Akshardeep for the period of January – June. The India coordinator requested Akshata to reconsider Asha's decision to pull out from 2014. However, since a decision was already taken, the group decided to stick to it. Akshata will communicate it via a Skype call soon.
4. The new MoU was signed for LBP. Rajesh will transfer 5,900 CHF soon.

### **Site visit of projects**

All project coordinators should look into the possible site visits in 2013/2014.

### **Project Videos (to be shown during concert and later uploaded on website)**

All project coordinators should ask for a 3 minute video clip from the India coordinators. The video should be narrated either by the coordinator himself/herself or by a teacher, show some students in a classroom, and should touch the following points.

1. Who is he/she and who are the students?
2. What impact has Asha made in their lives?
3. What do they expect in future?

### **Weltmarkt**

1. Rajesh will take charge of the Weltmarkt stand on 9. August. He will send across the agenda with volunteer requirements.

2. Akshata will contact Laxmi to see if she is interested to make Dosa at the Asha stand.
3. Sachin gave the idea to form a Weltmarkt team, so that duties can be easily delegated and a single person will not have to be responsible always.

### **ZEWO Certification**

Prat explained to the group about the certification. He will check it in details next week about the cost and the documentations required and the group will decide whether it makes sense to do the investment.

### **Zurich Marathon 2014 and Iron Man**

1. Tulika will register 5 teams for Zurich Marathon 2014. The registration cost is significantly lower before the first deadline.
2. In the last meeting Tulika informed the group about the volunteering option in Iron Man. However, this year it is too late. This will be considered for 2014.

### **Funding status**

Rajesh updated about the funding status from different income sources this year and the following observations were made.

1. CAYH is on track with the prediction.
2. Income from Weltmarkt and One Time Donation are short of what was predicted.
3. All volunteers are requested to talk to their circle of friends and colleagues to cover the possible deficit.
4. Rajvi reported that she contacted 4 potential donors for CAYH.

### **Partnership with Makaibari tea estate**

1. Doris reported that the tea is very well received at her office. So far Asha has made 130 CHF from the sales.
2. Doris will order 10 packets of tea for the August Weltmarkt.

### **Asha Disco**

Akshata will update the group more about it later. The best time seems to be the first week of December.

### **Spandan – Notes of Hope**

1. Prat and Rajesh discussed about the website. The old format will be kept. Rajesh will implement online ticketing both via Paypal and bank transfer. He will keep track of the tickets by numbering them.
2. Sachin gave the idea to use an LCD screen or a projector to show sponsor ads at the concert hall.
3. Sponsors will be approached from next week and the following will be offered to them.  
A logo on the concert poster + website = 250 CHF  
A logo on the concert poster + website + a banner or LCD display/projection = 500 CHF
4. Following list of sponsors and persons responsible to approach them were made.

Akshata – Preeti Chowfla, Tandoori House, India Palace, Bombay Karachi

Rajesh – Food & Net, Massage Parlor

Sachin – Krishna's

Doris – ZKB, Yoga City, Kheti's Kitchen, Stiftung Seeschau

Neera – Hot Wok, Swad

Kamlesh – Aggarwaal

Prat – Gandharva Loka, Kerala

5. Tejasvini proposed the name of Jean Martin, an ex-employee of United Nations, for the chief guest. She is in touch with him personally.
6. Doris asked about the possibility of an Asha concert in Rajasthan. The concert will be arranged by someone based there whom she personally knows, and part of the profit will come to Asha. Asha can connect the organizer to some India based classical artists.
7. Further discussion about Spandan – Notes of Hope will be continued in the Goggle group and in the next concert meeting on 18. July. Prat will send across the details later.

**The following points are still open from the last meeting (copied from June Minutes)**

1. What all receipts we need for Asha, which has to be confirmed with Sachin who does auditing for Asha.
2. We need internal audit of every project.
3. Standing at the hauptbahnhof Zurich for publicity.
4. How to get LSV forms from the bank.
5. Sport day: Varsha
6. Support a child program has to be still formulated.
7. Rajesh has to go to bank to do a signature and for that deadline is 15. June 2013.