

Supporting Higher Education in the Developing World

Executive Director Report

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1. Fund Raising

AWBC has received a \$2000 grant from the Zeller Family Foundation to cover fund raising expenses in 2014. The friends, family and colleagues campaign began on Dec 3. Letters soliciting donations were sent to past and prospective donors both in Canada and the US.

a) 2013 friends, family and colleagues donor campaign Dec 3 to Dec 31: 13, 615

(Some past donors donated before the Dec 3 start date of the campaign.)

b) 2012 friends, family and colleagues donor campaign Oct 24 to Dec 31: 26,155

c) 2013 individual donors: 69,710

(friends, family, and colleagues and major donor campaigns and fund raising events)

d) 2012 individual donors: 46,395 (friends, family, and colleagues and major donor campaigns and fund raising events)

e) 2013 total income (individual donors, foundations, companies): 141,806

f) 2012 total income (individual donors, foundations, companies): 167,980

The difference between (e) and (f) arises in part because of a 64,756 grant from the McCall MacBain Foundation in 2012, but only 20,589 in 2013.

The totals in (a) – (f) are approximate since they do not take into account the 3.9% that CanadaHelps charges for the donations that it processes for us. In addition (a), (c) and (e) do not include donations from US donors, the report for which will be available in the first week of 2014. I would like to thank Nataalka, Andrea, Patty and Karen with help for the 2013 Friends, Family and Colleagues Campaign.

We have a fund raising event planned for New York City on April 24 and are working on a fund raising for Montreal for the spring of 2014.

2. Orientation

Orientation sessions were held for new consultants on Dec 4 and for new Board members on Dec 16. Another session for new consultants and Board members, who weren't able to attend either session will be scheduled early in 2014.

3. Board

Because of prior commitments, H el ene Delisle has delayed taking up her position on the Board until September 2014.

4. Finances

The AMEX credit card was cancelled since it was not cost effective and replaced with a Bank of Montreal Master Card

5. Reports

The 2012 Annual Report was translated into French and posted on AWBC's website. I would like to thank Eve Renaud for the translation.

6. Consultants

Andrea Simpson has been hired as a regional fund raiser for greater Vancouver.

Conzolo Migliozi has stepped down as the Institutional Manager for the University of Liberia.

7. Projects

AWBC has on-going projects in Bhutan at the Jigme Namgyel Polytechnic, Royal University of Bhutan to help it improve its Civil Engineering Department, in Indonesia at the State Islamic University - Yogyakarta to help it make its library accessible to the disabled. We have 8 projects scheduled for 2014 and 2 others under consideration and in Kenya and Tanzania at Aga Khan University to assist in upgrading its nursing programme.