



Chipunga Development Committee

c/o the Chairman Mr. Daniel Mthuti

CC: weltwaerts team

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Community request on bridging payment for teachers (received: 3rd October 2015); and the application letter of Grades Msiska (received: 9th October 2015)

Dear CDC

We've realised with concern that the current understaffing at Chipunga Primary School becomes a difficulty again. The momentum where 8 qualified teachers were teaching in 8 classes shall not become history once again! **A shortening of teachers would be a relapse at a point in time when the numbers of successful school learners have just raised.** So we very welcome that the persons being in charge of the issue are writing to us and asking for transient assistance.

Our offer: GRACE would be glad to cover salaries of two teachers up to 75% of the amount for newly teachers for a transitory period (assuming this stopgap measure will not be needed longer than 9 months). **On the condition that the DEO at Nkhatabay is assigning two very qualified teachers to come to Chipunga the system could run as in the past.** This prerequisite must be fulfilled to start the system. Please advise us about the status of the assignments and we will prepare and release the MOUs.

As we don't know the qualification of the applying teachers (2 from Emmanuel TTC, Ms. Msiska, and Ms. Lusubilos) the selection of the two positions can't be done by our side. We fully trust in the personal selection experience of the education advisor and district educational officer.

Decision on Secondary School Scholarships: We've decided to support all 23 learners according to the cost scheme provided by CDC which is at a predicted total of MKW 662'500. This signal shall be used to motivate the current standard 8 pupils to get impelled into their final year of primary school education. 75% of the secondary school fees will be covered by GRACE. There is one exemption concerning new boarding school assignments. Even we've understand the Malawi "reward system" to send the best school-leavers to a boarding school we need like to proof every new assigned boarding school candidate ahead of accepting this high cost school type.

We are looking very much forward to your reply and good news from Chipunga. With best wishes on behalf of the German management team members,



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