

**FEBRUARY 10, 2009**

**These are the meeting minutes for the Denver Professionals Chapter of Engineers Without Borders.**

**INTRODUCTIONS**

**TREASURER REPORT**

**RECENT GRANTS**

Goldman Foundation Grant – Ecuador project got \$5000

Boeing Company – Togo project got \$5000

**Project Accounts**

\$5850 Ecuador potable water system

\$7350 Togo

\$6500 Madagascar

\$207 Honduras probably going to a general fund

\$2500 in general fund

**FUNDRAISING**

**Sand Sculpture Contest**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Sand Sculpture Contest is in its planning stages. The tentative date is August 15, 2009 at Bear Creek State Park (same location as last year). The target 30 teams of up to 10 people each. Volunteers will be needed for the event planning and the day of the event. If interested please contact Ben Mapes, [ewb.ben@gmail.com](mailto:ewb.ben@gmail.com).

**Fun Run**

A fun run is being organized for December 13, 2009 in conjunction with the Golden Christmas Parade. We are currently working with the Chamber of Commerce to get the appropriate permits. The event will be paired with a food drive that will benefit local food banks. Volunteers will be needed for marketing and on race day, if interested please contact Rebecca Allen, [rallen@kleinfelder.com](mailto:rallen@kleinfelder.com).

**Corporate Sponsorship**

Amy Hui is in charge of marketing the corporate sponsorship program to chapter members. You will soon be receiving an email with the information regarding the program and a request to present it to your company.

**MADAGASCAR UPDATE**

The project team is currently working with a Colorado School of Mines Senior Design Team to design a water treatment system. They are also collaborating with a Nebraska Chapter that has a project near the village. A trip is planned for May or June and will install 1-2 ground water wells with hand pumps, continued assessment of the gravity system. Recent violence in the area may determine trip timing. The project team is looking for a volunteer who can translate French.

**TOGO UPDATE**

The Arborloo project team is planning a trip for mid-August to implement the first series of the sanitation system. The installation will take place at a secondary school serving about 100 students. The waste helps produce an orchard for produce/nuts and shade. The next project meeting will be at the Starbucks at the REI store downtown (15<sup>th</sup> and Platte) at 7pm, if interested contact Paul Rothgery, [prothgery@westernsummit.com](mailto:prothgery@westernsummit.com).

#### **ECUADOR UPDATE**

##### **Irrigation**

The project team is shifting its focus to determine what is needed to finish this project out and to finish the mapping. There is a group that is travelling in June so the plan must be together by March. The group is looking for people to get involved and to travel. The next working meeting is February 18, 2009 (see Evite from Amy, [stanford\\_amy@yahoo.com](mailto:stanford_amy@yahoo.com)). The project just received a \$25,000 grant from Rotary.

##### **Potable**

The planning process for this portion of the project is determining how to make the system sustainable and what needs to happen to finish it up. The group is looking for people with skills in concrete, plumbing, and/or construction background. There is a trip scheduled for May and they are looking for at least one new person to travel. There is a project meeting on February 12, 2009.

#### **INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORK, REBECCA PARZEN**

Rebecca gave a presentation to the chapter on her experiences with Water for People.

#### **NOTICE**

**2009 EWB-USA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

**CALL FOR POSTERS DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 27, 2009**