

## EWB Nebraska Professional Chapter Meeting Minutes

	SEPTEMBER 9, 2009	5:30	UNO- PETER KIEWIT INSTITUTE
<b>TYPE OF MEETING</b>	Professional Chapter Meeting		
<b>FACILITATOR</b>	Jim Goedert		
<b>NOTE TAKER</b>	Sara Hanson		
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	See sign in sheet		

### Agenda Items

#### 1. Open Meeting

#### 2. Approval of the Minutes

Motion to approve: Dwight Hanson

Seconded: Mike McMeekin

Approved

#### 3. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve: Dave Insinger

Seconded: Matt Scarborough

Approved

#### 4. Communications

- **Open Floor to Gallery**

- **Officer Reports**

**President-**

Jim reported that he spoke with Diana Underhill, the EWB Midwest Chapter Relations Manager, and she reported that she was fairly certain that our group will become an official chapter within the week.

**Vice President-** None

**Treasurer-** None

**Secretary-** None

- **Committee/Chair Reports**

**Fundraising-** None

**Program-** None

**Publicity-** None

## **5. Presentation: Fr. Francis Mayinja with St. Kizito Preparatory School in Uganda**

Fr. Francis presented on the needs of his preparatory school in Uganda. He is currently in the U.S. to try to raise awareness and obtain funding/assistance for his school. St. Kizito preparatory school serves three different communities, which has about 500-600 children in a three mile radius. Fr. Francis shared about their experiences in having received previous donations from St. John's Parish (out of Longmont, Colorado) and work they were able to do. But there are still several needs for the school that haven't been fulfilled, such as clean drinking water, improved agricultural skills/techniques, improvements to school (rooms, desks, electricity), environmentally friendly cooking fuels, and more.

(Please also refer to the pdf of Fr. Francis's powerpoint presentation)

## **6. Old Business**

- **Survey Results**

See attached spreadsheet for results

- **Program Discussion**

From the survey results, it was decided by the meeting attendees to narrow down the projects being considered. The following decisions were made:

- i. Combine the two Uganda programs ( they are in similar geographic regions)
- ii. Remove the Hinche, Haiti programs (Jim Goedert voluntarily removed his project)
- iii. Remove the Sudan program due to minimal interest

**This results in five projects remaining for consideration:**

**-Santa Domingo, Ecuador**

**-Oyugis & Kamagambo Kenya**

**-Baraderes, Haiti**

**-Kianjavato, Madagascar**

**-Kampala & Gayaza Uganda**

## 7. New Business

- **Midwest EWB Conference- October 23-25 at Iowa State**

Dwight Hanson is attending the conference, but we are still looking for additional chapter members to attend. This is an annual conference and it was decided that it will be the president's responsibility to attend or ensure a chapter member is attending every meeting.

Below is a link for information on the conference:

[http://www.ewb.stuorg.iastate.edu/w/index.php/Main\\_Page](http://www.ewb.stuorg.iastate.edu/w/index.php/Main_Page)

## 8. Announcements

**Next meeting is October 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30. Location to be determined.**

## 9. Close Meeting