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BQABD OF TRUSTEES MEETING. 9TH DEQEMBER ;991

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Mayville School is deemed unsafe and has been ruled out. John Samuel has tried unsuccessfully to get an alternative school identified by DET. No intervention was possible through President Nelson Mandela for unavoidable reasons.

The question of an alternative school was discussed in Pretoria where UNHCR and NCCR representatives were present and a further meeting will take place on December 6th 1991.

While the main concern of these consultations is to find general reception centres for returning exiles, the question of a school was and is on the agenda. I met with Moss Chikane, National Coordinator of the NCCR about the implications for the Trust if the UNHCR obtains a school from the Government.

He will set up a meeting between the Trust and UNHCR.

There is another development taking place. The ANC is negotiating the purchase, directly or through UNHCR, of a village complex near Klerksdorp. There is a school on the site, which will become the responsibility of the Trust.

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The Sub-Committee for vetting applications met on November 25th and made changes to the Guidelines (see revised Guidelines).

Recommendations:- (a) bursaries will not be granted retrospectively; (b) parents/guardians should be encouraged to find placement for their children; (c) no final decision was made on distance courses; (d) post-graduate studies should not be considered; (e) tertiary students should be interviewed; (f) suggested schools for group placement: St Enda's and St. Antony's.

The Sub-Committee revised the Application Forms.

The Staff Contract was left to Brother Neil McGurk and Barbara Watson to work on.

Applications so far received:-

Pre-school 7

Primary 28

Secondary 14

Vocational & Technical 32

Tertiary 6

Correspondence 2

St. Endas is willing to consider group placement. We are working on the precise need by consulting with the ANC's Repatriation Committee.

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A further meeting was held to consider guidelines for the recognition of returnees' qualifications. These guidelines (attached) will be presented to DNE on December 12th 1991.

R U S A M I S E R N E W P O G E T S

The ANC's Repatriation Committee requests that the Trust should administer the attached Project Proposal which has four components: (a) Bursary and. Education Assistance, (b) Small Business Development, (c) Employment and Training Services and (d) Skills Training Fund.

F U N I N

The estimated budget required for the bursary programme for 590 candidates is given in the accompanying sheet. Also reflected on the sheet is a summary of funds received or committed.

The NCCR is willing to direct to the Trust any grants it receives for education and training. However, this still has to be ratified by the NEC of the NCCR.

A O N A R S O J E C

John Pampallis will leave for Tanzania next week to arrange the retrieval of educational material from SOMAFSCO AND Dakawa.

Two meetings were held with Dr. Gibson Sirayi, Director of the Cultural Studies Centre at the University of Fort Hare regarding preparations to lodge the material there.