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VUSISIZWE TRUST CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Ipast year has been relatively quiet compared. with the previous year. This was caused by the Trust completing the tight hectic programme of re- establishing the eleven schools we set out to build initially: Also the experience gained over the previous years made it easier for the Trust to run on oiled wheels.

Phase One and Two were completed and Phase Three reared its head.

Phase One was the establishment of prefabs which we did. Phase Two was to assist in repairing damaged classrooms and to rebuild razed down schools and this we achieved without any major hitches. Thanks to the energies and dependability of Mr. Stan Anderson, the Architectural team, contractors, builders, the community at large and the Department of Education and Training from local Personnel to Pretoria.

ACHIEVEMENTS

1. The James Ndulula School in Uitenhage the 12th school to be built was completed.

2. Caretaker's cottages were completed.

3. The cherry on top was the signing of a schools building contract with DET, wherein Vusisizwe Trust was requested by the community to latch into the schools building programme of the DET.

Seemingly the urgency of building new schools is beyond the capacity of DET and they had to harness the inexpensive and faultless experience of Vusisizwe. In order to get involved in this programme we had to consult widely with our communities and our donors, one and all parties were amenable to Vusisizwe undertaking this project in conjunction with other role players. The other aspect of this programme is that Vusisizwe is prepared through its savings in the past and through the sale of our

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prefabs and the other schools, to make available 25% of the cost of building each school. This will surely stretch the capacity to build more schools, as for every four schools budgeted by DET one extra school could be built with the 25% savings on the DET side.

MEETINGS

Regular meetings of the Trust were held and it was through these that a new Vusisizwe emanated as the old one had outlived its purpose, which was to rebuild the schools that were razed down during the 1985 - 1986 upheavals. Some Trustees have, however, indicated that they would like to retire from the Trust as a result new Trustees have been invited.

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More schools have been undertaken in Zwide, Missionvale and Motherwell. Progress in these undertakings is quite commendable. We are looking forward to a successful year and prompt delivery of the required amenities as long as the other role players like the DET play their part according to the rules.

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I would be failing if I did not mention the unwielding support we enjoyed from our Trustees, the staff in the office and all our other contacts. Thank you to Justice Jan' Steyn for the unwielding support and encouragement we enjoyed from him as our patron. It is unfortunate that he has retired from the Trust due to his appointment to another higher position. In the same vein I would like to welcome our new patron Professor Wiseman Nkuhlu. I hope as an Eastern Cape man he will remember that charity begins at home!

Thank you also to Mr. Peter Searle and Mr. Sizani and welcome to the old horse Mr. Edwin Ncula. Thank you to everybody who has been associated with us.

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CHAIRMAN