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The Zimbabwe Network for Health (ZimHealth) in Europe is a non-governmental, apolitical association registered in Geneva, founded by Zimbabweans as a non-profit organization. It seeks to mobilize the support of Zimbabweans and friends of Zimbabwe living in Europe, as well as other interested individuals, agencies and development agencies to support the rehabilitation of quality health-care provision in Zimbabwe.
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Annual Report for 2012 and Plans for 2013

The Zimbabwe Network for Health in Europe (ZimHealth-Europe) is pleased to bring you a report of our progress and activities during 2012. The information on the financial income and expenditure is a summary only – full details are available in the Treasurer’s independently-reviewed Financial Report 2012. Profiles of the health units supported by ZimHealth can be seen on the ZimHealth website (http://zimhealth.org/projects-2012/).

I. New projects in 2012

In 2012, ZimHealth supported six new projects in Zimbabwe. We worked with three primary care clinics, one polyclinic (a clinic that includes pregnancy care, deliveries and postnatal care) and a group of clinics in Kadoma made up of an adult clinic, a family health centre and a maternity clinic. We also started our first project at a provincial hospital. In December, we initiated a seventh project. At Mpilo Central Hospital in Bulawayo, this project involves our sending the biggest single shipment ever made by ZimHealth. Delivery of commodities to Mpilo is expected to take place in the first quarter of 2013.

All our 2012 projects and expenditures are detailed below under Projects 8 to 14 (numbered in this way to indicate that they follow seven other projects undertaken in the past by ZimHealth). A summary of expenditure incurred in 2012 is shown in Table 1. A more detailed financial breakdown of the cost of consignments and other expenditures is covered in the Treasurer’s Report 2012.

Funding for our projects was enabled by donations from ZimHealth members, by supporters at fundraising events, the City of Geneva, the Oak Foundation and the Soapbox Collaborative which supported ZimHealth for the first time in 2012.

Project 8: Nyamhunga Clinic, Kariba

Below: Nyamhunga Clinic in Kariba
A council clinic serving more than 22,000 people, Nyamhunga Clinic is open 24-hours a day and provides primary health care, PMTCT (preventing mother-to-child transmission) services for HIV, maternal health care, HIV/AIDS voluntary counselling and testing, family planning, immunisation, outreach services, ambulance services and community home-based care. Thanks to proceeds from the Kariba People’s Project which is a kapenta (fishing) venture, the council was able to upgrade the clinic which now has a maternity wing, a new consulting and counselling room, laboratory, Sister-in-Charge’s office, labour room and dispensary.

This ZimHealth project aimed to help to equip the new maternity wing with beds, bedside lockers, drip stands, maternity ward bedding and linen. Our shipment, with a value of US$ 24,833.86, included four patient examination couches, 10 standard hospital beds, mattresses and bedside lockers, two obstetric delivery beds, two stretcher trolleys, curtaining, bedding and some medical equipment such as a haemoglobinometer and a digital, hand-held foetal stethoscope.

Kariba Municipality is undertaking work at the new wing at Nyamhunga Clinic, following receipt of the items donated by ZimHealth. The Municipality has written to thank ZimHealth and promises to send us photographs once the equipment has been stencilled with the ZimHealth logo.

Project 9: Phakama Clinic, Gwanda

Phakama Clinic is a primary care clinic in a high-density suburb of Gwanda, the provincial capital of Matabeleland South Province. It serves Gwanda Urban’s population of between 60,000 and 70,000 people, most of whom have a low income. In addition, the clinic treats a large number of visitors to Gwanda from outlying districts who come to the town to access government services. Open 24 hours a day, it offers treatment on an outpatient basis apart from expectant mothers who are admitted to the clinic’s five-bed delivery ward. About 700 babies are born at Phakama Clinic every year.

In a request for assistance from ZimHealth, Gwanda municipal authorities said the provision of basic equipment and materials would enable Phakama Clinic to relieve pressure on the Provincial Hospital, which is itself poorly-equipped. The ZimHealth shipment had a total value of US$ 22,615.03 and included a baby resuscitation unit, a foetal heart detector, two autoclaves, two refrigerators, an industrial washing machine, a generator, computer equipment, two televisions and hospital linen.

Project 10: Monomutapa (Mtapa) Clinic

ZimHealth’s third 2012 project at a primary care clinic, Mtapa Clinic in Gweru is located in the city’s oldest high-density area. It serves about 60,000 people living in the surrounding residential areas as well as workers at nearby farms. Maternity services are offered at both Mkoba Polyclinic (the site of a recent ZimHealth project) and at Mtapa Clinic. About half the population of Gweru accesses the maternity services at Mtapa Clinic.
Below: ZimHealth member Dr Liz Mason (right) with clinic and municipal staff at Mtapa Clinic in August 2012

The medical equipment requested by Mtapa Clinic included autoclaves, a suction machine, blood pressure machines, forceps, HB metres and a foetal stethoscope. They also requested non-medical equipment such as an electric stove, a refrigerator, washing machine, tea urn and computer equipment. Procurement was made, as with all our 2012 projects, through DAETA International Trading in South Africa. The clinical commodities and other equipment delivered to Mtapa Clinic had a total value of US$ 25,205.56. An itemised acknowledgement of receipt of the goods was sent to ZimHealth, with thanks, in December.

**Project 11: Mabvuku Polyclinic**

December 2012: Staff arrive at Mabvuku Polyclinic before an official handover ceremony of equipment from ZimHealth
Catering for a population of about 500,000 people, Mabvuku Polyclinic is in the Eastern District of Harare, about 22 km from the city centre. It offers a wide range of outpatient health services such as HIV counselling and testing, including an Opportunistic Infections clinic and anti-retroviral services, a TB clinic as well as integrated HIV / TB care and laboratory services. From the Polyclinic’s premises, other organisations offer palliative care and treatment for HIV and Aids. In addition, Mabvuku Polyclinic offers inpatient maternity services. It has 35 maternity beds. About 3,000 babies are born there every year.

Below left: ZimHealth’s Dr Francis Ndowa (second from left) and Maggie Ndowa with Harare City Council officials at a handover ceremony at Mabvuku Polyclinic. Below right: Before the ceremony, Dr Ndowa and Mr Albert Ndowa applied the ZimHealth stencil to items included in the shipment.

Below left: A fridge and four-plate stove were included in the ZimHealth shipment. Below right: Also part of the consignment to Mabvuku Polyclinic were linen skips and trolleys.

Included in the ZimHealth shipment to Mabvuku Polyclinic was a fridge and stove, microwave ovens, a filing cabinet, heavy-duty lawnmower and tea urns. The bulk of the consignment was medical.
equipment such as suction machines, a hot air sterilizer, portable HB meters, foetal dopplers, umbilical cord scissors and oxygen regulators. The value of the shipment was US$ 18,585.89.

A ceremony to officially hand over the consignment to Mabvuku Poly Clinic was held on December 6 and attended on ZimHealth’s behalf by former Secretary-General Dr Francis Ndowa and his wife, Maggie Ndowa. The ceremony was also attended by Harare City Council officials including the acting Mayor, Councillor Emmanuel Chiroto, Town Clerk Dr Tendai Mahachi and Director, Harare City Health Department, Dr Stanley Mungofa. Addressing the gathering, Councillor Chiroto commended ZimHealth members for “remembering us in our time of need”.

**Project 12: Rimuka group of clinics**

Below: Sites which form part of the Rimuka group of clinics, a complex made up of an adult clinic, an anti-retroviral therapy clinic, a family and child health centre and a maternity home. The clinics are 5 km from Kadoma city centre and serve a population of about 60,000 people.

While awaiting delivery of the ZimHealth shipment in July 2012, Kadoma City’s Director of Health Services Mr Daniel Chirundu wrote to inform ZimHealth of work being undertaken at the Rimuka group of clinics by the City of Kadoma to complement ZimHealth’s efforts: replacing worn vinyl floor tiles with ceramic tiles; connecting both the adult clinic and the maternity home to powerful generators; creating a store room; converting a veranda into three offices; installing a borehole and replacing a water tank; building a brick incinerator; repairing furniture and re-upholstering chairs.

The consignment sent to the Rimuka group of clinics in the first phase of our Kadoma project had a value of US$ 18,312.40 and included an autoclave, a resuscitaire, eight instrument trolleys, a portable HB meter, obstetric beds, a hand-held foetal Doppler and non-medical items such as a stove, tea urns and a floor polisher. A detailed checklist, with a letter of thanks from the City of Kadoma, was received by ZimHealth in September. It was noted that five gestational calendars had been omitted from the shipment; they have now been received by Rimuka maternity home.
An additional project was undertaken at the Rimuka complex. It was funded by a donation to ZimHealth by the Soapbox Collaborative, which works towards ensuring universal access to clean care at birth in health facilities, so helping to reduce serious infections in mothers and babies in low-income countries. The Soapbox-funded project, in collaboration with the City of Kadoma, involves training 135 health workers in infection control. A report on the training project is being prepared by ZimHealth for Soapbox and it is hoped this will mark the beginning of ongoing co-operation between the two organizations.

**Project 13: Marondera Provincial Hospital**

*Below: An exterior view of part of Marondera Provincial Hospital*

Marondera Provincial Hospital is a referral centre for 19 clinics in nine districts in Mashonaland East Province. Its bed capacity of 300, including 100 maternity beds, increased in 2012 with the opening of a new maternity and gynaecology wing with a capacity of 150 beds. ZimHealth was asked to help to equip the new wing by providing medical and non-medical items such as hospital beds, mattresses and bedside lockers, Caesarian section packs, incubators with monitors, examination lamps, chairs, fan heaters and wall clocks. The first phase of ZimHealth support was received by Marondera Provincial Hospital in November 2012. It focused on the medical equipment requested by the Hospital and comprised 20 obstetric packs, five Caesarian section packs, two neonatal incubators with phototherapy plus vital signs monitors, two digital haemoglobinometers and two paediatric laryngoscope sets.

ZimHealth first became aware of the needs at Marondera Provincial Hospital when ZimHealth member Mr Ian Menzies visited the hospital in December 2011 and reported back to the Executive Committee about his meetings with acting medical superintendent Dr Magweta Lloyd and Sister Pswarayi. Particularly moved by the sight of three premature babies sharing an old incubator, Ian donated funds and motivated ZimHealth’s decision to purchase the new incubators for Marondera Provincial Hospital. In addition, funds for the incubators were donated by Madame Nicole Michel of the Coppet branch of Soroptomists International. Other members of the Club also made donations, following a ZimHealth presentation to the Club.
Below left: In December 2011, three premature babies were photographed sharing an incubator during a visit by Mr Ian Menzies to Marondera Provincial Hospital. Below right: a fourth premature baby was heated by a single one-bar heater.

Below left and right: In August 2012, ZimHealth members Dr Shiva Murugasampillay and Dr Liz Mason photographed the maternity ward in the new wing at Marondera Provincial Hospital.

The total cost of our first shipment was US$ 21,144.05. In January 2013 a letter from hospital authorities was sent to ZimHealth, acknowledging receipt of the goods and expressing gratitude for the equipment and instruments which, they said, would "go a long way in providing care for pregnant mothers and neonates". The letter added the goods were already in use and benefiting the hospital.

Project 14: Mpilo Central Hospital

A tertiary hospital serving approximately half the country, Mpilo Hospital offers a wide range of services, from maternity (with between 800 and 900 deliveries a month) to oncology and radio therapy, from specialised inpatient care (admitting more than 2,000 people a month) to a variety of outpatient clinics, serving about 7,000 people every month. There is no district hospital in the region. This means...
that Mpilo serves Bulawayo’s population of more than 1.5 million people from four surrounding provinces.

Mpilo’s chief executive officer Dr Lawrence Mantiziba has reported to ZimHealth that the hospital faces many challenges, ranging from an acute shortage of drugs and medical sundries to a dilapidated infrastructure, poorly-functioning medical equipment and a shortage of ambulances. The hospital has launched a fundraising programme which has attracted support from a number of Zimbabwean private enterprises.

Below: Mpilo Central Hospital, Bulawayo

ZimHealth’s shipment to Mpilo, worth US$ 45,911.22, has been ordered and is the highest-value single consignment that ZimHealth has ever sent. It includes two phototherapy machines, five syringe pumps, four delivery beds, five HB meters, two incubators, two infant resuscitation units, three suction machines, an ultrasound machine, two vacuum extractor sets and two hysterectomy sets. Delivery is expected to take place in March 2013.

II. Follow-up of past projects

ZimHealth sent our first consignment to Pelandaba Clinic in Bulawayo towards the end of 2009. Two more consignments were sent in 2010, including a special consignment of a dental chair and related units. During 2012, we learned that the dental chair was not fully functional and that a generator, sent in an earlier shipment, had been stolen.

The Executive Committee decided to send another, more powerful generator costing US$ 7,100 to Pelandaba Clinic and Bulawayo City Council agreed to reinforce its security. The decision was also taken to fund repairs to the dental chair. A specialist technician was flown to Bulawayo in early February, 2013. He was given transport and accommodation by the City Council and the cost of parts and labour to repair the dental chair was carried by ZimHealth. Estimates were approved and the Executive Committee is awaiting confirmation of the final costs of repair to the dental chair.
Table 1. Summary of ZimHealth expenditure in 2012

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III. Administrative matters

a) During the course of 2012, ZimHealth’s activities were led by its Executive Committee, other active members in Geneva and through our local representatives in Zimbabwe. The return to Harare of founding members Dr Francis Ndowa and Maggie Ndowa has significantly strengthened our representation in Zimbabwe. The Executive Committee continues to meet in Versoix in the meeting room kindly offered at no charge by the Geneva Foundation for Medical Education and Research (GFMER).

b) The PayPal account, established in September 2010, continues to be operative and facilitates supporters living outside Switzerland who wish to make donations.

c) Because of work commitments, Yemurai Ndowa handed over to Alisdair Menzies the updating and maintenance of the ZimHealth website.
d) The ZimHealth newsletter, updating members on our activities, was published in June and December 2012. It is produced with the kind assistance of award-winning designer Mark Allison of Red Elk Design, Scotland. A former resident of Zimbabwe, Mark gives his services at no charge and the newsletter incurs no costs to ZimHealth. Past editions can be accessed on our website: www.zimhealth.org

e) ZimHealth was saddened to learn of the death in September of Monsieur Michel Ricci who offered his services, pro bono, as our auditor, beginning in 2010 when ZimHealth was first registered with the City of Geneva as a charitable organization. Member Mr Ian Menzies represented ZimHealth at Monsieur Ricci’s funeral and conveyed our gratitude to Madame Ricci. A new auditor is being appointed.

IV. Site visits

Thanks to the willingness of ZimHealth members to take time from their business trips or vacations in Zimbabwe and to the follow-up of our local representatives, we were able to learn, at first hand, about a number of past, current and possible future projects during 2012. Some of the visits to projects initiated in 2012 took place before the arrival of our shipments.

**Mkoba Polyclinic and Mtapa Clinic**

On 17 February 2012, ZimHealth local representative Nokwakhe Fuyana visited Mkoba Polyclinic and Mtapa Clinic and sent a comprehensive report of her visit to the Executive Committee in Geneva. Sister Chirobe led a tour of Mkoba Polyclinic which by then had received the first phase of support from ZimHealth, including a stove, a Doppler foetal monitor, washing machine and a refrigerator. Sister Chirobe thanked ZimHealth and said the goods were helping staff and patients. Mtapa Clinic was awaiting delivery of goods from ZimHealth. Here, the tour was led by Sister Ngara who explained that a lack of space, a shortage of drugs, problems with electricity supply and the lack of an incinerator were all presenting challenges.

**Mabvuku Polyclinic**

In April 2012, prior to the shipping of our first consignment to Mabvuku Polyclinic, ZimHealth chairman Rutendo Kuwana made a fact-finding visit to the polyclinic, accompanied by Chief Administrative Officer, City Health Department, Mr Richard Chigerwe and Mr Leo Tumbare of Harare City Council’s Department of Health Services. Workmen from Harare City Council were on site, replacing old flooring with new tiles prior to the receipt of the medical equipment from ZimHealth. During Mr Kuwana’s visit, he also discussed plans for a special project at Mabvuku Polyclinic to commemorate Dr Daniel Makuto, a founding ZimHealth member who sadly passed away in 2011. Francis and Maggie Ndowa also visited Mabvuku Polyclinic during the year when they attended the December handover ceremony of equipment and supplies.
Rimuka group of clinics
Also in April, ZimHealth member Ms Martha Chikowore visited the Rimuka group of clinics in Kadoma, prior to their receiving the first phase of support from ZimHealth. Mrs. Balbina E. Tsara (Matron and Assistant Director Personal Health of City of Kadoma) took Ms Chikowore on a tour of the Rimuka Anti-Retroviral Therapy Clinic, Rimuka Family and Child Health Centre and Rimuka Maternity Home. After the tour which revealed the extent of assistance needed at Rimuka, Ms Chikowore met Mr Daniel Chirundu, Director of Health Services.

Harare Maternity Hospital
In May 2012, ZimHealth chairman Rutendo Kuwana visited Harare Maternity Hospital. He was welcomed by Ms P Zvavamwe, CEO Harare Central Hospital, Clinical Director Mr Vera and head of the hospital equipment workshop Mrs B D Gandiya. ZimHealth’s most recent consignment had been received only four days prior to Mr Kuwana’s visit and some items were still in the hospital stores or were being assembled by the hospital’s workshop. They were a “Godsend and a timely intervention”, Mr Vera commented.

Sakubva Polyclinic
Also in May, ZimHealth local representative Dr Abigail Kangwende gave the keynote address to a handover ceremony to mark the second phase of ZimHealth’s support for City of Mutare health clinics. In appreciation of ZimHealth’s work, the City presented Dr Kangwende with a copper wall clock in the shape of the continent of Africa. This was brought back to ZimHealth in Geneva by ZimHealth Executive Committee member Conelious Pfumbidzai who visited Sakubva Polyclinic in August 2012. During his visit, Mr Pfumbidzai was welcomed by nurse in charge Mrs Tendai Maugara who reported that items donated by ZimHealth were working well and had made a difference at the Polyclinic. She requested help from ZimHealth in purchasing a new chest deep-freezer as their existing facilities were inadequate and food storage was proving to be problematic.

Mutare Infectious Diseases Hospital
Mr Pfumbidzai also visited the Mutare Infectious Diseases Hospital where he photographed items donated by ZimHealth in the past, including a centrifuge, an incubator for biological cultures and laboratory stools. He then met Mr Michael Mawadza of the City of Mutare’s Health Department who conveyed his thanks to ZimHealth for all assistance given.
Assessments of ZimHealth projects
In August, ZimHealth Executive Committee members Dr Shiva Murugasampillay and Dr Liz Mason visited Zimbabwe from Geneva and toured seven past, current and possible future ZimHealth projects. To assess equipment needs, review progress and to establish contact with relevant civic authorities and health centre staff, they visited Mabvuku Polyclinic, the Rimuka group of clinics in Kadoma (where they were presented with a copper plaque of the City of Kadoma’s coat of arms), Amaveni Clinic in Kwekwe, Mtapa Clinic and Mkoba Polyclinic in Gweru and Marondera Provincial Hospital. They also paid a courtesy call to City of Mutare health authorities. On their return to Geneva, they presented the plaque from Kadoma and a report to the ZimHealth Executive Committee. Great appreciation was expressed of ZimHealth’s work, they reported. They noted, too, that ZimHealth’s assistance had encouraged civic authorities to improve health facilities.

Edith Opperman Maternity Hospital
In October, Dr Francis Ndowa and Mr Marlon Zakeyo visited the Edith Opperman Maternity Hospital, accompanied by two journalists from the Zimbabwe Herald and the Zimbabwe Daily News. Representatives from the City and from Edith Opperman nursing staff were also in attendance to respond to questions from the journalists. Most of the equipment donated by ZimHealth was still in good condition, Dr Ndowa reported back to ZimHealth. He said resuscitaires were especially appreciated for their role in helping to lower the infant mortality rate at the clinic. Edith Opperman clinic was also presented, at that visit, with a microwave oven donated by a ZimHealth supporter in Geneva, Ms Bérengère Nail.

V. Fundraising in 2012
ZimHealth was supported this year by members and other individuals, by organizations such as The Oak Foundation and the Soapbox Collaborative and by the City of Geneva. ZimHealth members continued their financial contributions either on a regular monthly basis or by paying a lump sum for the year. Following the submission of funding proposals, ZimHealth received funds from three institutions. ZimHealth also held two events during 2012, both of which were well-attended and succeeded in raising funds for the organization. In total in 2012, ZimHealth raised CHF 139,211 and US$ 105,142. ZimHealth members’ contributions amounted to CHF 9,580 and US$ 3,998 (Table 2).

Individual contributions
Individual contributions came from direct donations from ZimHealth members, from pledges and donations by those attending ZimHealth fundraising events and from Madame Nicole Michel who, as a member of the Coppet branch of Soroptomists International, donated CHF 1,500 for incubators for a
new-born unit at Marondera Provincial Hospital following a ZimHealth presentation to the Club. Other members of the Club also made donations.

In addition, individual contributions came from a sponsored run by Zimbabwean medical student Arjuna Sivakumaran and his running partner Tom Martyn who took part in the Escalade on December 1. Their sponsorship campaign, to provide assistance to Mpilo Hospital in Bulawayo, carried the slogan, “Running health into Zimbabwe”. On a freezing December day, the two students ran the Escalade which is a Geneva road race that commemorates the successful defence of the city of Geneva against neighbouring Savoy in December 1602. Sponsorship of the runners succeeded in raising CHF 1,911 and US$ 631 for ZimHealth’s Mpilo project.

**Fundraising events**

Two social events were held in 2012 to raise funds for ZimHealth. The first was following our AGM on 31 March 2012 in the Church Hall, Holy Trinity Church, Geneva. The second was held at L’Espace Solidaire in Le Paquis on November 9. The total raised by both events was CHF 9,400, thanks to generous donations by ZimHealth members and supporters of funds and food for the hot buffet, and of items for the bar and auction. At the November event, many of the items for auction were bottles of wine and spirits donated by the Ndowa family before their return to Zimbabwe. At both fundraising events, paintings were donated by artists such as Theresa Ryle in Switzerland; the Laing family made generous donations of a number of items; and stone sculptures were donated by ZimHealth member Samson Katikiti.

ZimHealth also participated for the first time in Expat Expo, an exhibition to inform Geneva’s expatriate community about local associations, goods and services. The CHF 250 participation cost was carried by members Nyari Chari-Imbayago and Venge Imbayago. The aim of our participation was less to raise funds (although CHF 131 was raised from the sale of raffle tickets, cakes and donations) and more to raise the profile of ZimHealth in Geneva’s expatriate community.

**Institutional donations**

A ZimHealth Executive Committee sub-committee, led by Dr Liz Mason, submitted a successful funding proposal to the City of Geneva which donated CHF 70,000 to ZimHealth. The Oak Foundation donated US$ 50,000 plus an additional US$ 42,179, a sum promised as part of a challenge to ZimHealth to exceed our 2010 fundraising efforts (US$ 62,000) in 2011. The Oak Foundation promised to match any excess we raised in 2011 over the 2010 figure, dollar for dollar. In addition, the Soapbox Collaborative donated £5,000 (shown below in the deposit currency of US $).
Table 2. Summary of ZimHealth fundraising in 2012

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VI. The ZimHealth Executive Committee

In 2012, the ZimHealth Executive Committee held monthly planning meetings in Versoix, in a meeting room offered at no charge by the GFMER. The Committee meets either on a weekday evening or a Saturday afternoon. Various sub-committees focusing on areas such as resources mobilisation, project management and liaison, publicity and procurement meet in between these monthly meetings for further planning of specific activities.

*ZimHealth Executive Committee members and supporters at a planning meeting in Versoix*

Executive Committee members were delighted that some ZimHealth supporters such as Dr James Chitsva regularly attended meetings. In addition, other Zimbabweans who are interested in ZimHealth, whether they are living in Geneva or visitors to Geneva, have been welcomed to the meetings. For
example, when Martha Chikowore visited the Rimuka group of clinics, she was kind enough to take photographs and write a report which she presented during one of the Executive Committee meetings. The ZimHealth Executive Committee has welcomed other such interactions between members and supporters of ZimHealth primarily because they lay bare the transparency of the meetings as well as help the Executive Committee to gain new ideas and perspectives from such observers.

Meeting Zimbabwe health officials
Some members of the Executive Committee hosted the visiting Zimbabwe Ministry of Health and Child Welfare delegation to the annual World Health Assembly held in Geneva. The delegation included the Minister of Health and Child Welfare Dr Henry Madzorera, Permanent Secretary Dr Gerald Gwinji and some heads of Ministry departments. The Minister of Health thanked ZimHealth for our efforts and the Permanent Secretary expressed appreciation of how ZimHealth kept the Ministry informed of forthcoming projects. The Permanent Secretary also encouraged ZimHealth to continue to follow the course we thought most appropriate. He commended ZimHealth’s development of personal relationships with the staff at clinics with which we worked and said this maximized the benefits of our involvement.

Members of the Executive Committee
The Executive Committee of The Zimbabwe Network for Health during 2012:

- Chairperson: Rutendo Kuwana
- Deputy Chairperson: Moredreck Chibi
- Secretary-General: Carol Gray
- Treasurer: Sivakumaran Murugasampillay
- Deputy Treasurer: Millidzi Mkhosi
- Publicity Officer: Samson Katikiti
- Resource Mobilisation Officer: Liz Mason
- Project Management: Calson Mbegabolawe
- Legal Advisor: Marlon Zakeyo
- Executive Committee Member: Conelious Pfumbidzai

VII. Planned Projects for 2013
ZimHealth has received an increasing number of requests for support from Zimbabwe health institutions. The Executive Committee has considered the feasibility of supporting these institutions in 2013, in each instance taking into account the geographical location of the health units.

The Project Management and Liaison sub-committee made the following recommendations about our priorities in supporting projects during 2013. The Executive Committee agreed to submit their recommendations for consideration by the Annual General Meeting:
1. Continued review and support of past and present projects

2. Phase Two support of the Rimuka group of clinics

3. Phase Two support to Nyamhunga Clinic when a handover ceremony has been held and the Kariba Town Council has completed renovations

5. Support for primary healthcare clinics which have submitted requests to ZimHealth, including (in no particular order):
   - Amaveni Clinic, Kwekwe City
   - Chiwaridzo Polyclinic and Chipadze Clinic, Bindura
   - Chinhoyi Clinic, Chinhoyi
   - Chinengundu group of clinics, Chegutu
   - Vengere Clinic, Rusape
   - Chikangwe Clinic, Karoi

6. Sakubva Clinic Orphan Project support

7. Support for Khami Prison Complex Dental Clinic, Khami

8. Phase 2 at Mpilo Hospital

ZimHealth has also received preliminary requests from a number of mission clinics and hospitals and government rural hospitals.

The list above is neither exhaustive nor exclusive and depends very much on available funds. ZimHealth will also consider any other new proposals we receive and endeavour to support them, subject to more resources becoming available.
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- Raise funds directly from Zimbabweans in the Diaspora, in Zimbabwe and from friends of Zimbabwe all over the world.
- Through a transparent and highly targeted system, procure and distribute drugs, diagnostics, vaccines and other medical and non-medical commodities and essential equipment to rehabilitate the health facilities in Zimbabwe.
- Inform and engage interested stakeholders about the needs, successes and impact of the support to the health-care system in Zimbabwe.

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