

Rotary

Club of Bali Seminyak



RCBS ZOOM Meeting Minutes- February 10, 2021

- PE Patrick opened the meeting at 12:30 pm, since President Sarita was attending another meeting at this time and joined later.
- 13 members attended this meeting with one guest, Danison Buan.

Menjangan Visit Report

- VP Jeni Kardinal presented a report regarding the 2 day trip to the Menjangan Area (Northwest Bali) with P. Sarita, VP Jeni and Rtn. Daryl with the intention to partner up with the Waka Hotel Group and friends, introduced by Honorary Member, PP Kamal Kaul.

DAY 1

A proposal by Rosa Bjork from the Biosphere Foundation, regarding a master plan for trash management in the Menjangan area was presented to prospective investors. They met at the Nusa Bay Resort and discussed working with local families, schools, Banjars, businesses, the Kepala Desa and Hindu leaders to educate the community about the procedure for the reduction and management of trash. This also included, sorting of organic and non-organic waste as well as providing a trash pick-up infrastructure that will go to the Trash Bank that is set up in the community. The education part of the program works with families, school children and community leaders with brochures and workshops. There is also a signage program to educate local with plastics, which are not allowed in the National Park, namely single use plastic bags, straws and Styrofoam. Signage will be placed in strategic locations such as ceremonial sites and rivers. Then the trash will be recycled.





P. Sarita, VP Jeni, HM Kamal, Rtn. Daryl, Marie and Rosa (Biosphere Foundation) and Waka Partners and friends

DAY 2

The following day the group met with Dr. Sumi from the Parliament, who described how to make a proposal to receive funds from the Government for Park Land so it does not appear that the government is giving to the government. It must be on land that is owned by the community. Dr. Sumi will assist by asking the local Kepala Desa to prepare to donate land to have a

Trash Bank. Then the community will be developed as a role model for trash management and receive funds for all tangible areas of the project. The community must also agree to manage and provide staff as paid through the Banjar.

Workshops and Training Programs

There was also a visit to the Biosphere Foundation's Education Center where students stay in dormitories during training sessions and for school children. The Bamboo Meeting Room is also used for training for locals in trash programs, permaculture classes, and Eco-friendly ceremony training workshops. The workshop facet of the program cannot be funded by these investors, since it is not a tangible part of the program. Only tangible aspects can be funded by this group.



Biosphere Educational Center

Moving Forward

1. Working with Waka at Labu Lalang: It has been proposed to use one or two small buildings that are vacated and managed by the Waka Group for a small education/gift shop to be renovated by Waka and managed by the local community. Also, to set up a small recycling area for waste coming directly from Menjangan island and Labu Lalang. These funds will go through Rotary.

2. Working with the Government: The government cannot support non-tangible aspects, such as wages or educational training of staff. This part of the program cannot be supported by the Government or Park Lands. Funds can go through the Banjar with an MOU from Biosphere Foundation and Rotary. It was recommended to work with one Banjar at a time.

It was discussed to create a proposal for a larger sorting center and the Banjar would be responsible for to manage the sorting center and learn how to earn money from the value of the waste. Included are, providing waste bins, provide a method of collection of waste from families, provide needed educational materials and provide signage to the area.

Rtn. John Denning posed the question of how to find funds for the training programs, which will not be covered by the investors. Rtn. Daryl suggested approaching other Rotary Club and finding donors.

VP Jeni reported that this 2-day field trip to Menjangan with P. Sarita and Rtn. Daryl (4-hour drive from South Bali) was very positive and with the professionalism of Rosa from Biosphere Foundation, there was an enthusiastic response from the Waka Group and friends that this project and coordinated with RCBS, might certainly have future funding, once Rosa presents a new proposal. It was

suggested also by Dr. Sumi to work also the RCBS work with the NGO, JAAN (Jakarta Animal Network) for an Animal Rescue Center in Northwest Bali providing food and medical care to the local monkeys who are suffering from disease and malnutrition in this area. The funding will be readily available.



JAAN Animal Recuse Center in Northwest Bali

- Other topics discussed were having an upcoming guest speaker to present information regarding Orphanages in Bali, as recommended by IPP Patrick M. Also, a donation

has been received for PP Erika's hunger program (AUD 500), thank you HM Ray for initiating this donation.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM-

(Minutes written by Sec. Anita)