

# Annual General Meeting

## **Supporting Uganda's Re-Growth Efforts Incorporated**

*Here in known as S.U.R.G.E Inc Australia*

**Time: 1.00pm - 3.00pm 29th of MARCH 2015**

**At: Noarlunga Centre Church of Christ  
165 Beach Road Christies Beach SA**

*S.U.R.G.E. AGM invitees will meet in the  
Meeting room at the back of the Hall  
Enter via back entrance near the playground*



# **Supporting Uganda's Re-Growth Efforts Incorporated**

## **Annual General Meeting 2014**

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# AGM AGENDA EOFY 2014

Board 2013-14 Monica Willoughby (MW) Chairperson, Peter Hill (PH) Secretary, Mel Hull (MH) Treasurer, Lorraine Ridderhof (LR) Programme Coordinator, Jana Hill (JH) Board Member, Moira McMillan Board Member (MM) and Mike Colliver (MC) Board Member

Welcome, Apologies & Outline of meeting agenda (MW)

Acceptance of the Previous AGM minutes from March 2013 (PH)

Chairperson's Report (MW)

Secretary Report (PH)

Treasurer's Report (MH)

Programme Coordinator's Report (LR)

General Business (submitted items) (MW)

- Formal Nominations received
- Future Fundraising Events ...

Other Business/Question time (Items without notice) (All)

- Nominations from the floor at AGM for vacant positions

Declare Vacant Board positions: (MW)

These positions if filled will be for the next 2 yrs.

**There is a need for a general Board Members**

The board has the power to make the decision, among the current and newly elected board members for the positions required. - In the best interest of SURGE Australia (as per our Constitution)

Chairperson takes the Chair and calls for nominations (MW)

NB: All nominees need to sign a document agreeing to be nominated either before AGM or at time of nomination at AGM

Nomination of Auditor:

Suggestion: Green Pritchard & Co. Accountants – they are our current Auditors.

Thanks and Close in Prayer

*(Proposed Finish before 3.00 pm)*

# AIMS

*(As per current Constitution)*

**S.U.R.G.E. Vision:** Reaching out to the world one village at a time.

**S.U.R.G.E. Mission:** To work in partnership with the Hope Child Care programme in Bulanga and Rakai District, South West Uganda

**S.U.R.G.E. Objectives:** The Association is a Christian Based, not-for-profit charitable organization formed to achieve the following objectives;

3.1 To work with and empower HIV/AIDS affected ORPHANS and the needy children/families in the poverty stricken rural areas of Uganda.

3.2 Sponsorship of orphan /needy children in the poverty stricken rural areas of Uganda.

3.3 Supporting educational infrastructure in Uganda.

3.4 Supporting physical and spiritual health of Ugandans.

3.5 Promoting the activities of the Association and the impact on the lives of Ugandans.

**For full expansion of these above Objectives please read our Constitution.**

**Chairperson's Report**  
**From Monica Willoughby**  
**S.U.R.G.E. Inc. Australia**

**Chairperson' Report 2013-2014**

This year has been a busy year as we prepared for a visit from Pastor Fred as well as organizing our major fund raiser.

In June we held a Quiz night which my son Mark from Mirage Mobile Entertainment was the MC. Thank you Mark for donating your time and expertise. This was a great night and everyone enjoyed it, we were also privileged to have Pastor Fred attend and he really enjoyed it and took part in the Quiz. We raised a nice amount to which some was donated for special equipment for the Vocation School.

Another fund raiser was the sale of pens with our name on them, these went very well and we sold them all (except for one faulty one). The Noarlunga Centre Church library donated the money to buy the pens and also to cover the cost of the postage on them, so it was all clear profit.

Unfortunately our recipe book has been put on hold and I do hope to get this completed later this year, so if you have any favorite recipes you would like included please feel free to send them on to me at [monwill@gmail.com](mailto:monwill@gmail.com)

The Vocational School for HCCP Uganda, is now in operation and will provide a chance for children who can't go on to university to have a trade, and in so doing a chance to make good in the work force and to provide for their families and to provide independence for themselves.

Please pray that the new board will be inspired to go forth with God's plans for SURGE with renewed passion.

**Monica Willoughby – chairperson for S.U.R.G.E. Inc. Australia 2013-14**

**Secretary's Report**  
**From Peter Hill**  
**S.U.R.G.E. Inc. Australia**

**Secretary's Report 2013-14**

It's been another exciting and busy year. We've had our first full year in partnership with the Noarlunga Centre Church of Christ. It has been of great benefit to both Noarlunga Centre Church of Christ and SURGE Inc. and we hope that continues. We have been in discussions with Global Mission Partners and Missions Interlink Australia, in seeking partnerships and support that may help us at this stage. However, because of compliance and other administrative concerns we have felt that this is not the right time. Anyway we have left the door open for future involvement if circumstances change.

We continue to meet on a monthly basis and these meetings are very informative as well as productive. It has been a busy year lots of paper work for example Charity License, OCBA changes, ATO changes, critical decisions regarding support in Bulunga, managing trust funds etc. We have also been busy working on some fundraising, including Pens, No bake cake stall, Quiz night, recycling of cans and bottles etc.

S.U.R.G.E. INC It continues to meet the challenges it faces every day. It is committed to supporting the Vision God has given Pastor Fred for this village of Bulunga Uganda. We have reviewed our commitment to HCCP and Pastor Fred for and have decided to continue and it will under review again in the future. Until then our commitment remains the same, but the focus will be more on education (particularly vocational education) and economic development. It is a great challenge and we count on your support in the coming year. We thank all sponsors and supporters for your help and encouragement and look forward to the challenges that lie ahead.

**Peter Hill - Secretary S.U.R.G.E. Inc Australia 2013-14**

**Treasurer's Report**  
**From Melinda Hull**  
**S.U.R.G.E. Inc. Australia**

**Treasurer's Report for 2013-2014**

We are continuing to use Cashflow Manager for our SURGE Inc Books. The reports are printed here. Our books have been audited by the accountants, and have been signed off for our AGM on 29th March 2014.

Lorraine Ridderhof has continued to support me in learning the treasurer's role during this past year, with much thanks to her. I have been unable to fulfil some Treasurer duties while I was returning to professional study. I appreciated other group members sharing the load by attending the banking of funds to Uganda. I have now been able to return to my Treasurer duties as my studies have finished. I recommend that we ask the current accountant's to continue to audit our accounts. Their name is Green Pritchard & Co. Accountants.

**Therefore I propose for the AGM that:**

Green Pritchard & Co. Accountants be appointed to audit S.U.R.G.E. Inc accounts for our next financial year of 1st November 2014 to October 31 2015.

**Melinda Hull – Treasurer S.U.R.G.E. Inc Australia 2013-14**

**S.U.R.G.E INC**  
ABN  
**Trading Profit and Loss Statement**  
For the year ended 31 October 2014

This Year

**SALES**

Donations Received	11,064.25
Sundry Income	218.18

**TOTAL SALES**

11,282.43

**GROSS PROFIT**

11,282.43

**OVERHEAD EXPENSES**

Accountancy	486.36
Bank Charges	354.00
Donations	13846.55
Fundraising Expenses	343.00
Postage	7.27
Printing and Stationery	37.59
Rent	127.27
Repairs and Maintenance	0.00
Sundry Expenses	0.00

**TOTAL OVERHEAD EXPENSES**

(15,202.04)

**NET LOSS**

{3,919.61}



## **S.U.R.G.E INC**

### **INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS**

#### **Scope**

We have audited the financial statements, being a special purpose financial report of the S.U.R.G.E Inc for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2014.

The Association's committee members are responsible for the financial statements and have determined that the accounting policies used are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of S.U.R.G.E Inc and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We have conducted an independent audit of these financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members of the association. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to the needs of the members.

The financial statements have been prepared for distribution to members. We disclaim any assumptions of Responsibility for any reliance on the report or on the financial statements to which it relates to any person Other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements, and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements (these policies do not require the application of all Accounting Standards and UIG Consensus Views.)

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis

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## **Audit opinion**

It has not been practical for us to perform auditing procedures to satisfy ourselves that all monies received have been recorded. We have therefore had to rely on the information and documentation made available to us.

In our opinion, the financial statements represent fairly the financial position of S.U.R.G.E Inc. as at the 31st October 2014 and the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with Statements of Accounting Concepts and applicable Accounting Standard and the Associations Incorporation's Act 1985.

Shane Pritchard  
CPA  
{Director}

30 January 2015

**GREEN PRITCHARD**  
& CO ACCOUNTANTS

**Programme Co-ordinator's Report**  
**From Lorraine Ridderhof**  
**S.U.R.G.E. Inc. Australia**

**Program Coordinator's Report 2013-14**

10 years now since Supporting Uganda's Re-Growth Efforts Inc. – Australia  
- A Christian Charitable Organisation embarked on its legal journey in November 2005!  
The first Annual General Meeting being March 2006.

An Interesting year, with the Board, having the privilege of being part of the journey to help the HIV/Aids affected, and poverty stricken Rural Ugandans in some way, since Nov 2004. What a long way we have come over this last 10 years – many achievements only made possible by those who have kindly made donations and given of your time.

I have also enjoyed the privilege of serving on the board in the capacity of Program Coordinator ; and still currently serving on the Board -  
Maintaining the Vision of what we are about has also been in the forefront of my mind.

At the time of this report we have all children on our current list supported with only two currently being looked after by our contingency fund. They hopefully will have new sponsors soon.

Natural attrition is one way our list is getting smaller – the other way is that 3 of our children/young people that were being sponsored have now got employment.

HCCP has grown with each year. Buildings have been erected and the new Vocational school is now operational. Over 550 children now attend the school and are fed 2 hot meals a day while at school.

**2011** we were able to provide 100 mosquito nets for the children at HCCP Inc through the generosity of our donors.

**2012** - Funds were raised and with other unallocated funds there was enough money for the purchase of one industrial stove for HCCP Inc. Uganda. \$1700usd

**2013** - Fundraiser for the Agricultural Program at HCCP Uganda. We raised \$312.70 which combined with allocated monies held fund in O/Seas Aid and Dev Fund for a Stake-In-the Cow of \$140 totalled \$452.70 - was forwarded to HCCP Inc Uganda.

- HCCP have bought seeds and planted them. Other seeds for the villagers will given next season as they have already planted their crops with the little they had.

- 2013 we also entered discussions with the Elders of Noarlunga Centre Church of Christ re a partnership with a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with a view to also beginning enquiries into partnering with GMP (Global Mission Partners).

2014 – We officially signed the MOU with Noarlunga Centre Church of Christ.

We had discussions with John Gilmore of GMP

We had discussions also with Geoff Colton of Missions Interlink

We are looking forward to continuing past 2015 and intend to renew our MOU (partnership) with HCCP Inc for another 5 years.

**SPONSORING:** Monies donated for the support of children and projects have been sent regularly every month. Except in December when those monies are forwarded in advance in time for Christmas.

As of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015 – monies will be sent quarterly – so if you are able to change your debit cycle please do so.

**The support of infrastructure and *training Program's* for Rural Ugandans is needed.**

**Provision of forms of electricity** - Electricity is close to HCCP now. They are waiting for the time that they can be connected to the National Grid.

2014 – Approval of a grant to kick start the Vocational School program with the tools required. The building has already been built by another charity organisation.

In July 2014 Pastor Fred Matovu was able to visit with us in a short space of time – he was able to be at our Quiz Night as we raised funds for purchasing Sewing, Hairdressing, Carpentry, Building tools and Welding tools. He also spoke at Noarlunga Centre Church of Christ morning service – sharing the miracle of his life when he was involved in vehicle accident in 2011 and spoke at Worship at 5

**Supporting any infrastructure, project** - (within our guidelines) required to achieve our objectives.

To the Board of S.U.R.G.E. Inc Australia – Once again - I thank you for your dedication and support to this work. To all those who have faithfully given – YOU as a sponsor

and supporter and member continue to have made so much difference to their lives and their surrounding communities.

YOU have made so many changes now for the improvement to the HIV/AIDS effected children, community and the Project at Hope Child Care Programme – Bulanga, Sthn Rakia District Uganda...

We need your prayers as we continue to serve our God and you the sponsor and members and supporters, with integrity and openness into looking to where SURGE Australia is to go from here in 2015-and beyond. Thank you!

Exciting and challenging times are still ahead!

**Lorraine Ridderhof**  
**Program Co-Ordinator**

## PROJECTS COMPLETED OR ONGOING

# **PROJECT 1: SIGN POST** Uganda - completed 2006.

### # **PROJECT 2: SCHOOL**

February 27, 2006 - Helping Ugandans Grow Stronger, Inc. (HUGS -USA) were pleased to announce the opening of **Bright Hope School in the Rakia District of southern Uganda**. This serves the village of Bulanga as well as other nearby areas.

Over 300 children are now attending the school, which currently provides instruction for primary grades 1-6.

A second school building opened in late 2007 – through HUGS USA.

Children who are sponsored through the SURGE Program are automatically enrolled in the school. Our **Australian sponsored children can now attend this school** and have a higher standard of education - Besides receiving a quality education, the \$25/month (now \$35 current) sponsorship fee also provides each child with a daily hot meal, shoes, medicine and a school uniform. Children in need can also be boarded at HCCP for an additional \$25aud per month, now \$35.

**We currently have three sponsored child who is boarding at the HCCP Project, because either family was physically abusing them or need to be at the school for medical reasons.**

### # **PROJECT 3: THE MEDICAL CLINIC**

The Medical Clinic, **first stage** – with roof put on in 2007, **completed**.

Then the **second stage** was **completed** and **third stage completed** by end of Oct 2007.

In **November 2007 the clinic was able to be used** even though there are no internal fittings. All completed due to funds generously donated through S.U.R.G.E supporters.

**FINAL STAGE:** - furniture, fittings and medical equipment and electrical support still required. *Helping to provide necessary medications for the Clinic and equipment for the Pathology which will then become self-sustaining* through the cost of treatment that, those that are able to can afford. – **Completed soon after May 2008.**

### # **PROJECT 4: ADDITIONAL BUILDING TO MEDICAL CLINIC IS NOW THE ANNEXE - This was completed early 2010.**

These are some of other areas in the medical field we would like to give aid - Birthing Kits; immunization of children against childhood diseases; STD and HIV/AIDS medicine for pregnancy and new born children. This is in the thinking tank .

We were able to send woolen clothing to HCCP for use of new born babies to keep them warm at night – through generous donations.

### # **PROJECT 5: THE WELL MAINTAINENCE FUND - for the village of Bulanga through HCCP Inc.**

There is a need to **tackle Water shortages** for times of famine and disease. We were going to help put in **water well** through the HCCP Project **for the Village of Bulanga** and communities. It would **cost \$12000 to \$15000usd to complete**. As it has taken quite a while to build this fund up, we as a board have decided that the monies for this would be better used in maintaining the current well on HCCP Project. You can help by **donating any amount or in increments of \$50 - \$135** you can donate in lieu of a gift to a loved one, and we can send you a card with details for that person.

This project has now been started and is still **current**

**# PROJECT 6: *Agricultural* Needs:**

We would like to help with the purchasing of plants and animals for the agricultural Program and the children of Bulanga and surrounding communities that will in turn provide the community as a whole, with long term and sustainable incomes to provide for their families.

**Animals e.g. cow \$203aud; goat \$40aud; chickens \$10aud; seeds \$10aud** - Ask us for further details. The animals are given to the children rather than the adults so that the animals are not sold for 'the drink' by the father or significant others in the child's life.

Through some of our fundraiser events we have been able to continue to contribute towards these things

Most of our sponsored children have already benefitted from this project. [Project is still current.](#)

**# PROJECT 7: *Educational* needs and the provision of/or training of special aid teachers for disabled children in the HIV/AIDS effected rural areas of Uganda.** A teacher for this area is about \$300usd per month.

The school is long-term and sustainable – the children are learning agricultural subjects and work in the fields and also because of encouragement of self paying students also attending the school from Bulanga and the surrounding areas.

**# PROJECT 8: 2012** - We were able to hold a fundraiser in July last year 2012 that raised money for the purchase of an industrial stove (one of three needed).

**# PROJECT 9: 2013** - Funds were raised for help with the Agricultural Program.

**# PROJECT 10: 2014 VOCATIONAL SCHOOL TOOLS** - ongoing

**Other Areas:**

**A Special Booklet for Pauline:** sent early 2009.

## **Conclusion and Thank You**

The S.U.R.G.E. Board wishes to thank all who have supported S.U.R.G.E. and also for your patience at times when we are facing new challenges. We also strive to improve our communications to you and our response to you. The next AGM is in March next year inline with our Constitution which states “An Annual General Meeting shall be held no later than 31st March each calendar year.” We hope to see you there! God Bless and keep up the wonderful support.

Regards

The S.U.R.G.E Inc Board  
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