

## Minutes from the RENCP General Assembly

**Date :** 27 November 2012

**Venue :** Moucecore-Kacyiru/ Kigali

### **Participants :**

1. Seconde Nsabimana/ KUNDA UMWANA
2. Alfred Mupenzi/ PLAN RWANDA
3. Paul Bagambe/ PLAN-RWANDA
4. Olivier Maniragaba/ UMUHUZA
5. Hans Zult/ VVOB
6. Deogratias Munyeshuli/ CLUB PESCT
7. Phocas Ngendahayo/ WELLSRING FOUNDATION
8. Andy Harrington/ WELLSRING FOUNDATION
9. Stephane Nyembo/ WELLSRING FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATION
10. Rachel Mahuku/ WELLSRING FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATION
11. Jeffery Komant/ WELLSRING FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATION
12. Vicky Frantz/ FHI360/Rwanda Education Commons
13. Intwali Parfait Jimmy/ ONE LAPTOP PER CHILD
14. Desire Rwagaju/ ONE LAPTOP PER CHILD
15. Yonah Nyundo/ Education Development Center-L3
16. John Mugabo/ MILLENIUM VILLAGE PROJECTS
17. Fatuma Uwizeza/ STRIVE FOUNDATION RWANDA
18. Eleanor Johnson/ STRIVE FOUNDATION RWANDA
19. Moses Gahini/ FIYO (Fight Illiteracy Youth Organization)
20. Geoffrey Mugisha/ Save the Children
21. Pierre Nzeyimana/ Save the Children
22. Elisa Radisone/ Save the Children
23. Henriette Uwamahoro/ Save the Children
24. James Andrew/ TEACH RWANDA
25. Vincent Murenzi/ HANDICAP INTERNATIONAL
26. Tara Lyle/ NUDOR (National Union of Disabilities' Organizations Rwanda)
27. Nadege Uwitonze/ NUDOR (National Union of Disabilities' Organizations Rwanda)
28. Genevieve Mukandekazi/ CHF (Cooperatives Housing Foundation)
29. Peter Deyali/ DUNAMIS TRANSFORMATION LTD
30. Appolinaire Gahongayire/ AEGIS TRUST
31. Julie Butterworth/ VSO (Voluntary Service Overseas)
32. Dieudonne Busingo/ Concern Worldwide Rwanda
33. Hugh Delaney/ UNICEF

## Notes from the meeting

### 1. Opening remarks from Geoffrey Mugisha, Country Director of Save the Children:

In his opening remarks, Geoffrey warmly welcomed the participants and praised the work done by the Platform. While RENCP is to be an inspiration to other sectors and even to other countries, the Platform is to avoid complacency as the network is growing.

### 2. Presentation of *Save the Children literacy programme* by Elisa Radisone from Save the Children:

Elisa introduced the to the participants the summary of the programme which aims to (i) Close the gap in early childhood care and education services gap before school (ii) improve the teaching of reading in school (iii) Develop a culture of literacy and learning out of school, and (iv) Increase children's access to high quality, local language reading materials. *(See the attached signature program overview)*

### 3. Feedback from the schooling costs study report Alfred Mupenzi from PLAN RWANDA (see the attached presentation)

### 4. Working Groups Updates

- a. Update from the Teacher Development Working Group by Vicky Frantz, FHI360/REC (See the attached presentation)
- b. Update from the Equity & Inclusion Working Group by Vincent Murenzi from Handicap International (See the attached presentation)
- c. Update from the ECCD Working Group by Elisa Radisone from Save the Children: Among the many activities of the ECCD Working Group, the following objectives were met:
  - (i) 3 study visits done (SC, CHF, UMUHUZA) and learning labs
  - (ii) Developed ECD communication materials
  - (iii) Represented the working group in the ECD national task force and the working groups
  - (iv) Led the ECD action week campaign in April
  - (v) The working group has developed a plan for 2013: 3 more study visits, regular quarterly meetings and discussions on challenges faced by working group members
- d. Update from the Community Involvement Working Group by David Rugaaju (See the presentation)

### 5. Update on broad education sector developments by Hugh Delaney from UNICEF

Hugh shared with the participants some key updates from the ESSP 2013-2018 development with emphasis on the 8 strategic goals. He also briefed RENCP members on the overall financial framework of the strategy. Development partners played an important role in contributing to the Strategy development especially in resources prioritization to ensure most important targets are safeguarded. He highlighted that from a Development Partners perspective, this ESSP seems to have a well balanced approach.

**6. Online Library Presentation by Vicky Frantz from FHI360/REC**

Vicky introduced the online library to the audience and solicited the contribution from RENC members given that the library is easily accessible and given that anybody can add resource to it. The library can be accessed at [www.educationcommons.rw](http://www.educationcommons.rw)

**7. Review of RENC ToRs with emphasis on membership, discipline and local NGOs by Jeffery Komant and Stephane Nyembo from WellSpring Foundation for Education**

Following feedbacks from the previous General Assembly, Jeffery and Stephane presented the revised ToRs with emphasis on the suggested wording regarding exclusion, Local NGOs integration and the Chair & Co-Chair leadership term. After the presentation discussions about the ToRs took place and a vote on the proposed motions was undertaken (See the attached Vote results).