



Minutes of the General Assembly, June 3, 2022

The General Assembly of the Children of Kanji association took place at the Nautic Center of Ferney-Voltaire on June 3, 2022 at 7 p.m.

Participants: Mr and Mrs Boucrot, Mr and Mrs Danthony, Madame Dufaud, Mr. and Mrs. Fornier, Mr. Nachbauer, Mrs Olin, Mr and Mrs Pascal, Mrs Roussiot and Miss Volta.

Excused absentees: Mrs Bourgault, Mr Finet, Mr Demure, Mrs Peron.

We received 16 powers

The president thanks those present, the administrators, the sponsors of the association or friends who put their skills to our disposal, as well as the Lion's Club Alphonse de . of Mâcon and the bridge club of Divonne.

Income statement

The revenues for the year made it possible to send to Kanji the sum of 90,000 Euros to deal with the worst crisis of its existence. This funding was

possible thanks to the stability of our sponsorships but also the collection of donations that exceeded all our expectations. The amount received was € 70,161. A single donation represented 90% of this total.

Our operating costs were kept to a strict minimum and represented € 276.60 (i.e. 0.30% of our income) after adjustment for internet access costs.

Balance Sheet and Income Statement 2022 - 2021		
<i>Incomes</i>	2022	2021
Sponsorships	□€19207,00	€19702,00
Events	€4020,00	€0,00
Donations	€70161,00	€29220,67
Bank Interests	€44,49	€45,82
Internet Bank Charges	€102,00	€122,40
Retrocession		
Total	€93534,49	€49090,89
<i>Charges</i>		
Foundation Transfers	€90000,00	€26000,00
Operating Costs:		
MAIF Insurance Charges	€109,70	€472,25
Bank Fees	€138,00	€122,40
Internet Access Fees	€130,80	€122,40
Total	€90378,50	€26682,65
<i>Results</i>	€3155,99	€22408,24

Finally, our bank balance represents two normal years of functioning. It stands at €85,383.70.

Approval of accounts

Mr. Jean Nachbauer has audited the accounts of the association and recommends the approval of accounts by the Assembly. The accounts are approved unanimously.

Moral report

The year started badly with the pandemic generating containment, social withdrawal and event cancellations. The incomes resulting from our bridge tournament was reduced by 2/3 but, on the other hand, the Greniers event in the Mâcon streets was a success.

In June 2021, Shanti Lumin, the children's home and the school had been closed for one year. We describe below the succession of events over the months.

Regarding the school we were informed of the rapid deterioration of its financial situation: 60% of tuition fees remained unpaid. Despite this situation, staff received a monthly allowance of €35 and continued to provide streamed lessons to cell phones but with poor results. We wanted

to ensure funding to reopen the two establishments as they did not have enough money to afford it, expecting that this should not be long to come. However, the containment continued despite a satisfactory sanitation situation.

In Spring, we launched an urgent appeal for donations. Its results exceeded all our expectations. In addition, a German foundation contacted by a friend decided to allocate €15,000 to Kanji. The money was sent directly to them.

At that time there was unfortunately no sign of reopening of the establishments. The school resources enabled the payment of salaries for only two months.

Then, at the confinement peak, the local administration required that NGOs operating in India open a local bank account intended to receive transfers from abroad. This decision caused an administrative chaos during three months and we were consequently not able to transfer any money to Kanji during that time...

May wages could not be paid. It was only in June that the situation was regularized. Then, the Covid pandemic rebounded in the region, striking hardly the families in terms of sickness and death toll.

In September 2021, the 9th and 10th grade classes received authorization

to reopen, but the curse persisted. A torrential rain fell on the region: crops were destroyed, livestock drowned, and infectious diseases caused havoc and, of course, classes were closed again.

Finally in mid-January 2022 the good news was that the school and Shanti Lumin reopened their doors after a nineteen-month hiatus. However, the bad news was that Maria Rayappan emerged physically and morally weakened from the period of confinement . She informed the Board of Directors of her decision to retire at the start of the school year and to hand over the keys of Shanti Lumin to a successor that remains to be appointed.

Use of funds

Lourdusamy detailed to us in a video the usage he made of the funds he received. He warmly thanked all those who contributed by their gift or dedication to help the school. This contributed to the rescue of the school that, otherwise, would have undoubtedly closed.

Before the pandemic the school welcomed 1600 students and employed 105 people. At the end of the school year, the figures stood respectively at 1340 and 83. This 20%- drop remains much lower than those observed in other private schools of the region.

The ninety thousand Euros were spent as followed:

- **€18,400 compensated for the deficit in tuition fees and were used for the payment of survival allowances to staff. (5 months)**
- **Two buses were replaced after 25 years of use for a cost of €45,685 . One was a second-hand bus and the other one was new. Without the acquisition of these means of transport, the school would have lost many pupils located in the most remote villages.**
- **€3,000 was used to purchase teaching materials.**
- **The balance of €24,000 was used to rebuild the financial reserves of the school through savings products of which produced interests will allow the payment of building maintenance costs.**

(The total exceeded €90,000 thanks to a favorable exchange rate)

Renewal of the Board of Directors

Three members of the Board expressed their desire to end their mandate:

- **Cristina Roesti who shared her interest in the subcontinent. She helped us identifying fundings for the school and Shanti Lumin and contributed effectively to the editing of our website.**
- **Jean Finet was sensitized to the cause through several visits to Kanji with the president. He will remain our active link with the Lion's club of Mâcon Alphonse de ..**
- **Marine Danthony prefers shade to light and will continue to support the President.**

Thank you to these three members who will remain Active Friends of the Children of Kanji.

The meeting appoints four new members on the proposal of the President:

Jean-Jacques Bernie

Jacques Boucrot

Natalya Olin

Ashok Pascal

Key Objectives

- **Establishing a new effective Board, rich in diversity and spirit of solidarity**
- **Finding and welcoming new members to ensure the association sustainability**
- **Brainstorming on the future of Shanti Lumin**

End of the meeting at 9 p.m.

Pierre Danthony, President