

dear Membres and upholders,

Here are the last news of your project.

English classes

We finally could open English classes again, we now have a professor for long term. In August another professor will come to reinforce our team.

Classes for Kiteboarder Instruktor

Cabarete is the Mecque of Kitesurfing. 90% of the kite's professors are Europeans, Canadian or American. However, the Dominican ones are very strong with this play and often have a higher level than the Westerners. In order to be authorized to work as kite's instructor and to be able to give courses, the clubs require of the youngs to have an IKO (International Kiteboarding Organisation) certificate. Obtaining this paper costs approximately 800 US\$ what corresponds to more than 5 months of wages. The clubs are very happy with this situation considering that it enable them to employ these youngs at very low prices (180 US\$ per month for 6 working days instead of 7 to 50 US\$ per hour what is the wages of the instructors).

In order to break this situation, we organize our own course of instructor and give to Dominicans the necessary formation which will give access to the IKO title. We also included in our formation courses of languages which will enable them to give the courses in several languages.

Info class room

We completely reorganized our room of information in order to make it in conformity with the directives of INFOTEP. Our room is now much more practical and we can accomodate to 20 pupils.

INFOTEP

This governmental institute which offers professional courses of all kinds visited our school. They are interested to offer courses in our buildings. We must for that still put in rule administrative papers. Considering the local government, this work will surely take still several months before one can see professors INFOTEP to give courses to the school.

Hotel and tourism school construction

Since our separation with Gustavo, we seek a leader for our school. This is particularly important in order to guarantee the longevity of our project. We learned lately that the Bishop of Puerto Plata had bought a hotel 2 km of Cabarete with an aim of setting up a hotel school and of tourism. The bishop of Puerto Plata wishes to offer a laic formation to the inhabitants of the Northern coast, he asked us to help them to make the transformations necessary so that the hotel can accomodate pupils. This opportunity delighted us, we currently discuss a fusion between the two schools. That would also solve the administrative paper problems for INFOTEP.

Donation of la Chaux de Fonds

The city of la Chaux de Fonds made a donation of CHF 2' 500. -. We warmly thank the communal advisers of the city for this gesture which will enable us to put in state the kitchen of the hotel

school.

Flood

Each year the level of the lagoon increases and we have again undergoes a flood. Even if it were less important than that of last year we had to undertake work to protect us from water.

We thank you for your support and we delight to see you this summer at the time of our return.

Best regards

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