



MINUTES OF KDDA UK GENERAL MEETING HELD ON SATURDAY 28TH JULY 2018

APOLOGIES: Mrs. Sia Mary Sumana-Robinson and Mr. Bryan Robinson.

The meeting started with a Christian prayer offered by Theresa Willems at 20:00 hours. This was followed by a Muslim prayer by Mr. Abdul Aziz Bah. There was a self-introduction by attendees.

The minutes of the previous KDDA UK General Meeting recorded by the KDDA UK Assistant Secretary Mr. Samuel Foryoh was read by the KDDA UK Secretary, Mr. Aiah Yornie Sodengbe. On matters arising from the minutes, Mr. Sahr S Kabba requested for update on the Award Committee. Mr. Aiah Yornie Sodengbe informed the meeting that the Committee's actions were suspended due to lack of participation of Committee members. In the absence of any other amendment, Mr. Sahr S Kabba moved that the minutes be adopted. This motion was seconded by Mr. Tamba Opas Jimmy-Kay.

The KDDA UK Chairman, Mr. Aiah Bondowa Tondoneh, welcomed members to the meeting with a special welcome for new members. He informed the meeting that KDDA Sierra Leone (KDDASL) is up and running with Mr. Alex Nyandemoh as the Chairman. He also informed the meeting that KDDASL are auditing the Medical Packs sent to Sierra Leone. He thanked Mrs. Sia Mary Sumana-Robinson for opening a school in Kono District. He also informed the audience that the KDDA UK Charity has been selected by Amazon company as one of their charities, customers can select for donation. KDDA UK will get 0.5% of any expenditure selected by our supporters. He was

also pleased to note that over three thousand pounds has been generated via our gift aid commitment by the Inland Revenue. Mr. Aiah Bondowa Tondoneh also briefed the meeting on the issues around the registration of the Kono Conference in Sierra Leone. He reiterated that the Kono Conference is part of the KDDA UK Business Plan and that he decided to register the Kono Conference independently for good reasons. He said his priority was to protect the copy rights of the Kono Conference as some individuals had attempted to register Kono Conference without our authority. He cited members of KDDA UK who had been continuously working against the interests of our charity's commitment to the Kono Conference. These included Mr. Sahr Fasuluku and Mr. Tamba Gborie. Non-members working against the interests of our charity mentioned were Dr. Fuambai Sia Ahmadu and Dr. Sahr Kondeh. Mr. Tondoneh also stated that Dr. Fuambai Sia Ahmadu's behavior at the 2017 Kono Conference was below expectation. He also informed the meeting that the 2016 Chairman of the Kono Conference Mr. Dingis Nyandemo had stated that he was going to withdraw his participation until the registration of the Kono Conference is withdrawn.

The meeting was informed by the KDDA UK Secretary that KDDA UK Elections are to be conducted in August 2018. He urged members to ensure they fully satisfy the requirements to qualify to vote and be voted for. He stressed that the elections will be conducted in strict compliance to the KDDA UK Constitution. On the issue of 2018 KDDA UK Elections, Dr. Kai Ngegba opined that the executive be

slashed to ensure effectiveness and called for an amendment of the KDDA UK Constitution. This sentiment was echoed by some members. After various discussion on the practicality of the 2018 Elections, two motions were put forward for voting.

Motion1: The 2018 KDDA UK Elections be conducted against the last Saturday in October 2018 and against this deadline the Kono Conference issues are discussed. This motion was proposed by Mr. Steven Gbekie and seconded by Mr. Dennis Turner.

Motion 2. The same issues as in motion 1 with a deadline of January 2019. This motion was proposed by Mrs. Siah Jaward and seconded by Pastor Juliet Samura. Thirteen (13) people voted for motion 1 and eleven people voted for motion 2. There were two abstentions. It was therefore agreed that the 2018 KDDA UK elections be conducted on 27th October 2018.

The KDDA UK Financial Report covering the period 1st November 2016 to 6th July 2018 was presented by the KDDA UK Assistant Treasurer Mrs. Elizabeth Nganga Tondoneh. She confirmed that the Annual Report to the Charity Commission has been submitted. A detailed prepared report including the Charity's assets, covering activities for the stated period was distributed at the meeting. The total Income was £10,678.49 and the total expenditure was £8,530.00. Total net profit of £2,148.49. As of the date of the meeting, the KDDA UK bank balance was £5,929.67.

It was suggested that future KDDA UK Charity's account be prepared by an accounting firm.

The KDDA UK Chairman appealed to members to support KDDA SL as they have now got an office in Koidu city and soliciting our support. Chief S.Y.O.Lebbie advised that KDDA UK pay their rent for one year and this was agreed.

Under any other business, Mr. Steven Gbekie suggested we have a Memorandum of Understanding in place with KDDASL. Mr. Tamba Gborie stated that the 2018 Kono Conference registration be withdrawn. Mr. Aiah Yornie Sodengbe informed members that the Kono Conference will go ahead as scheduled and appealed to members to pay their \$100 contributions towards the Kono District Development Fund.

There were twenty five (25) people in attendance.

The meeting ended at 23:06 hours.

Thanks.



Mr. Aiah Yornie Sodengbe

Secretary, KDDA UK.

Dated: 06/10/2018