



Kono District Development Association

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**MINUTES OF KONO DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT
ASSOCIATION (KDDA) GENERAL MEETING HELD
ON SATURDAY 24TH MAY 2014**

VENUE: Actra Tenant Hall
375 Old Kent Road
London SE1 5JQ

AGENDA

1. Prayers 5 minutes
2. Introductions 5 minutes
3. Minutes and matters arising from the General Meeting held on Saturday 24th May 2014 5 minutes
4. Chairman's address by Dr. Kai Ngegba 5 minutes
5. Report on the KDDA Reunion Fundraising Dance by the Social Secretary Mr. Aiah Bondowa Tondoneh 20 minutes
6. Update on the London Conference by Mr. David Dingiswayo Nyandemo 10 minutes
7. KDDA Elections and Annual contributions 10 minutes
8. A.O.B 15 minutes

PRAYER & MINUTES

The meeting started with a Christian prayer by Pastor Gloria Lebbie at 19:08 hours, followed by self introduction by each person present. The minutes of our previous meeting dated 19th April 2014 was not ready and therefore differed as proposed by Chief S.Y.O.Lebbie. This proposal was seconded by Mr. Tamba Augustine Kpakima.

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

The Chairman Dr. Kai Ngegba welcomed all at the meeting and expressed thanks to the Social Committee and all those who helped in various ways to achieve a successful reunion Dance. He appealed to all those who made pledges at the Dance to stand by their words. He

urged members to agree on a date for the next KDDA thanksgiving service. He informed the audience that the association is still indebted to Wellers & Co solicitors and our regular payment of thirty pounds has been maintained. He cautioned members to continue to uphold the high standards of our association, and financial commitment by each member must be honoured to prevent disenfranchisement as we approach our seaside outing and elections.

KDDA REUNION FUNDRAISING DANCE (26/04/2014)

“The Dance was a success considering the circumstances” said the Social Secretary Mr. Aiah Bondowa Tondoneh. He distributed few copies of his report before his presentation. Total expenditure for the Dance amounted to one thousand six hundred and fifty five pounds (1,655.00 pounds). The total income from the Dance amounted to two thousand four hundred and sixty two pounds and fifty pence (2,462.50 pounds). The net cash profit was eight hundred and seven pounds and fifty pence (807.50 pounds). In addition to this net cash, there are outstanding pledges yet to be honoured.

The following members were thanked for their special contribution:

Mr. Amadu Bah loaned KDDA 600.00 pounds for hall hire.

Miss Sia Komba loaned KDDA 300.00 pounds for drinks.

Mrs. Finda Ngegba loaned KDDA 100.00 pounds for printing of tickets and postage cost.

Mr. Tamba Opas Jimmy-Kay donated eight (8) crates of assorted soft drinks and two (2) crates of water.

Mr. Tondoneh also spoke about ongoing enquiries to confirm the next seaside outing and members to be updated in due course.

Mr. Tamba Augustine Kpakima moved that the report be accepted. This motion was seconded by Chief S.Y.O.Lebbie.

THE LONDON CONFERENCE

The Chairman of the London Conference Committee, Mr. David Dingiswayo Nyandemo confirmed that the Conference has been rescheduled for 26th & 27th September 2014, and apologised for any inconvenience caused as a result of the changes. He admonished the audience to be cautious and put the right planning in place to achieve a successful Conference. He stated it was a challenge that will be accomplished with our concerted effort. At this point Mr. Tamba

Ngongonba Ggamoï stressed that organising the Conference is a huge task which requires commitment from all konos.

ELECTIONS & ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS

The Secretary General Mr. Aiah Yornie Sodengbe reiterated that attending meetings and paying annual contributions are requirements for each potential voter. He stressed that only fully paid up voters will vote and be voted for in the impending elections. Mr. Gbamoï suggested the elections be postponed as we seek to sort out our organisation. There were contrasting views from Mr. Sahr Otto Fasuluku and Mr. Sulaiman Bah, who both insisted we should go ahead with the elections strictly by the constitution and as scheduled. The Chairman then stated that this matter will be further discussed at the next General meeting.

A.O.B

The Chairman Dr. Kai Ngegba informed members that he has received a complaint from Miss Finda Musa and the matter was designated to the Welfare team for thorough investigation.

Mrs. Sia Evelyn Nyandemo alias Youth Mama briefed the gathering on current issues faced by youths in Kono District such as illegal detention and human rights abuses. She appealed for support for the youth, majority being downtrodden. Most members supported the cause of the youths and suggested we seek a long term solution to the problem. Dr. Ngegba appealed to members to participate in a research on demographic changes in Kono District.

The cost for the seaside outing was agreed as a flat fees of twenty pounds and the outing date as 26th July 2014.

Mr. Tamba Kpakima thanked KDDA for the remarkable support he received while mourning the death of his wife Mrs. Sally Kpakima.

The closing was led by Pastor Samura at 21:10 hours. Twenty eight pounds collected for hall hire and forty pounds for monthly dues for Dr/Mrs. Ngegba, Mr. Mafinda and Mr. Tamba Kpakima.

There were twenty nine people in attendance.

Thanks for your attention.



Mr. Aiah Yornie Sodengbe
Secretary General