

**Minutes of meeting of Umma wa Wapanda Baisikeli Dar es Salaam
3 January 2009**

Attendance

Bashiri Rashidi
Elaine Baker
Filbert Mbecha
Hamadi Hatibu Bwaja
Juma Ali Salehe Jongo
Juma Hassan Chibaya
Jumanne Ayuba
Kibwana Mohammad Msiga
Mohammed Samwely
Paulo Atibu Hatibu
Shamte J Kigoma
Solomon Mihoyo
Sudi Saidi Ramadhan

Volunteer

We have not had any communications with Johannes or TASEA and we cannot get through on the phone and have not got answer to email. We will keep trying.

Cycle caravan report

Elaine will give a copy of the report to Mejah to deliver to Business Times.

Wamba project

Dr Una Osili replied to our email and said they would look in to how to send us the remaining funds. We will send email again to ask the way forward.

Road safety video

Elaine did not get a chance to burn the video on DVDs – she will do so this week.

Calender

This is the first meeting of 2009. We decided to ask the National Institute of Transport for a new calendar for our wall.

Proposed meeting with City Council and monthly forum

Filbert called to follow up the letter requesting an appointment with the city council. He talked to a man in the planning department whose name he did not get. He was asking about UWABA and Filbert explained about our various projects including cycle safety training and communications with TANROADS. The officer said it would be good to have a meeting with UWABA. He said they would answer our letter and give us an appointment.

Foundation for Civil Society Grant

Elaine found out from University Computing Centre that they can do a special introductory computer course for 20 of our members for three evenings a week for two hours each session for three months at a cost of Tsh 120,000 per person which is Tsh 2,400,000. We went to Argentina Internet café to try to arrange for access to computer for practicing but the manager was not there so we got a phone number. Elaine will enquire at British Council on English courses.

Ministry of Infrastructure

Idrisi was not at the meeting to report on this letter. Elaine will bring another copy next week so it can be assigned to someone else.

NSSF

Mejah told Hamadi that he has followed up on the NSSF letter but we do not know further details.

Service Roads

TANROADS Dar es Salaam have put up some signs on Morogoro Road in the area of Manzese Darajani saying that it is prohibited for cars to drive or park on the road reserve. The number of cars doing so has reduced in that area but there are still many cars driving and parking on other areas of the service road. We agreed to write a letter to TANROADS congratulating them on this initiative and asking them to extend it to other parts of the road.

Finances and guta

Ally Saidi Mwishehe sent Tsh 14,000 guta money to the meeting via Filbert. Juma spend Tsh 1,500 on pins for the notice board. Juma is now holding Tsh 40,800 of UWABA money. Juma said that Tsh 14,000 is still outstanding in guta money.

Other business

Filbert heard on the news that Corporal Abu, the traffic police man who has cooperated with UWABA activities, was injured in a road accident in Kibaha. We agreed to enquire which hospital he is in so that we can visit him.

Frank Peter has also been very sick with malaria. Members agreed to visit him.