Minutes of meeting of Umma wa Wapanda Baisikeli Dar es Salaam 11 April 2009

Attendance

Ally Athuman Jumbe Athumani Mussa Kitemo

Bashiri Rashidi

Edward Marline

Elaine Baker

Elia Kimena

Filbert Mbecha

Juma Ali Salehe Jongo

Kibwana Mohammad Msiga

Mejah Mbuya

Mohammed Samwely

Paulo Atibu Hatibu

Saidi Brashi

Shamte J Kigoma

Monthly forum / JICA

Edgar was not at the meeting to report on progress following this up. Juma will follow up with JICA this week to request a meeting.

Wamba project

Una Osili emailed to say she is working on getting documents to prove to NMB that the transfer was sent.

Members requested Elaine print the photos of the Kigamboni training for the office notice board.

Foundation for Civil Society Grant

Elaine is still following up to get CVs of trainers to add to the application.

Cycle courier cooperative

We need a letter to introduce ourselves to the ward office before they will stamp our letter on Fasta cycle courier cooperative. Elaine will prepare this letter and give it to Juma.

Cycle safety video

Elaine brought six burnt DVDs with stickers. Some members will take them home to test them and return them. Elaine will burn CDs also and will burn the other DVDs which Mejah donated. A box of 100 CD stickers costs Tsh 36,000 and available at Masumin in Jamhuri Street. Edward will follow up costs of buying a smaller amount of stickers, also blank CDs and DVDs.

Song contest

Elia sang his song again for people who missed it last week. Elia will go with Mejah to Ramali, Fish club Ilala recording studio to make arrangements to record.

WHO road safety meeting

WHO have sent an invitation letter addressed to Mejah. He will follow up on getting a Belgium visa this week.

Re-cycle

Mejah talked to a contact at TRA who said it is possible to get tax exemptions for NGOs. Elaine drafted a letter to the TRA asking how we can apply. Mejah will follow up this week.

English

The members who signed up for the English classes are not attending regularly because the time of 1pm in the middle of the weekday is difficult for them. We agreed the classes will be two per week – after meetings on Saturdays and 4pm on Sundays.

Finances and guta

Ramadhan sent Tsh 14,000 of guta money through Bashiri and owes Tsh 7,000. Juma's allowance of Tsh 20,000 for March was paid. Juma now holds Tsh 15,000 of UWABA money.

Other business

We agreed to write a letter to Vodacom congratulating them on their sign boards upcountry encouraging road safety including a few saying to respect cyclists.

Edward will bring his camera to meetings to help make id cards for new members.