

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

Attendance

Juma Ali Salehe Jongo
Mohammed Samwely
Omary Shabani
Abdul H Mwaibambe
Beda John Mkusu
Hamadi Hatibu Bwaja
Shamte J Kisoma
George Salustian Mgata
Shukuru Hassan
Kibwana Mohammad Msiga
Filbert Mbecha
Elaine Baker
Athumani Mussa Kitemo
Sosthenes C Amlima
Saidi Brashi
Bashiri Rashidi
Ally Salum
Juma Hassan Chibaya
George Kabogo
Rahma Ali
Paulo Atibu Hatibu
Mussa Omari
Ally Athuman Jumbe

Guests

Bjorn Stafbom, road safety expert, World Bank, USA
Adrian Walsh, road safety expert, Global Transport Knowledge Partnership GTKP
Kate McMahon, road safety expert, UK Government

Ishaku Bamaiyi, Nigeria

Guests

During the meeting some delegates who had attended the road safety meeting this week called into our UWABA meeting – firstly Bjorn Stafbom, Adrian Walsh and Kate McMahon came on bicycles on a tour with Mejah and then Ishaku Bamaiyi came in a car. The guests introduced themselves and we had discussions with them. Ishaku Bamaiyi also made a donation to UWABA of \$40.

Bicycle meeting, Nairobi

Mejah, Filbert and Edgar travelled to Nairobi. Filbert is still writing the written report but he told us about the meeting orally. The meeting had participants from NGOs working on bicycle issues from Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Botswana, South Africa, Ghana, Burkina Faso, Egypt and Netherlands. They participated in a cycle caravan on the Saturday. At the meeting they decided to start Africa Bicycle Network (ABN), and they came up with the objectives of the network. The meeting was arranged by Cycling Out of Poverty and Interface for Cycling Expertise. Andrew who taught our training of trainers, from BEN South Africa was there and sent his greetings.

Road Safety meeting, Dar es Salaam

UWABA members who participated in the meeting were: Elaine Baker, Hussein Hamza, Juma Chibaya, Paulo Hatibu, Shukuru Hassan, Ally Athman, Juma S Jongo, Hamadi Bwaja, Shamte Kisoma, Mohammed Samwel, Bashiri Rashid, Sosthenes Amlima, Abduli Mwaibambe, Rahma Ali, Mejah Mbuya, Filbert Mbecha and Edgar Paulo (last two days), Prosper Nyaki (one day only).

Hamadi wrote a report and Elaine will type it.

The meeting prepared process targets in order to meet the overall target of reduce road deaths by half by 2015. Also the meeting prepared for the Ministerial meeting in Moscow in December of this year.

UWABA members had the opportunity to meet various people in Tanzania and from outside the meeting, and also to contribute to discussions. Commander James Kombe of the police invited us to his office. Also he said that we should report offenses committed by drivers as well as taking photos of the cars and send them to his office.

Photos of UWABA members together with Michelle Yeoh, Ambassador for Road Safety, were in the Majira newspaper and the Mwananchi newspaper.

Wamba project

Elaine wrote a letter to Mtoni Saba Saba school and Imelda delivered it. We will get an answer when the school opens. We are still following up to get contact details of other schools.

Cycle caravan

Juma Chibaya photocopied the proposal. Bashiri, Elaine, Sosthenes, Kibwana, Paulo, Juma and Filbert will follow up to try to get sponsors this week.

Arranging meetings

Elaine will write letters requesting meetings with the Mayor of Dar es Salaam, the Minister of Infrastructure, City councillors, Commander James Kombe. Also we will invite representatives of the local government (chairperson of mtaa, mtendaji of the ward) to attend an UWABA meeting.

2010 Elections

At the road safety meeting we got the idea from Rosa Mang'anya that we should try to ensure road safety is included in election manifestos of various political parties. Elaine will write letters to the chairpersons of the parties to ask them when their manifestos are prepared and how we can contribute ideas. Paulo brought the 2005 TLP manifesto and Elaine has the CCM 2005 manifesto. Paulo will look for the manifestos of the other parties.

Minor problems with roads

Elaine suggested that members should write small reports when they see problems with the roads so we can follow up.

English lessons

Hamadi said that it is important that we continue with English lessons as this is very important for communicating with people from outside the country. Athmani said he is ready to teach at weekends. We agreed that lessons will be from 8am to 10am on Saturdays and from 4pm to 5.30pm on Sundays. Members registered their names. The lessons will start next Saturday morning.

Finances and guta

Elaine paid Tsh 24,000 to the members who attended the road safety meeting (Tsh 2,000 per person). She also paid Tsh 8,800 for photocopy of flyers. She also paid Tsh 2,000 for photocopy of the caravan proposal. The total is Tsh 34,800.

Filbert used UWABA money to pay Tsh 20,000 to Juma for allowance for June. He also returned Tsh 9,000 of the money spent by Elaine – she is still owed Tsh 25,800. Filbert is not holding any more money of UWABA in Tsh. Filbert will change the \$40 donation into Tsh.

UWABA is owed Tsh 22,000 of guta money.

Office rent is due of Tsh 200,000.

Other issues

We will get Dominata's Tanga report when she returns.

We will follow up on Re-Cycle project when Mejah is at the meeting.

We will follow up on meeting Mr Bukuku for the cycle courier cooperative when Mejah is at the meeting.

Mejah is preparing CD cover for the song.

We will agree the committee election date when Mejah is at the meeting.