

**Minutes of meeting of Umma wa Wapanda Baisikeli Dar es Salaam
21 June 2008**

Attendance

Ally Saidi Mwishehe
Aseli Wilison
Elaine Baker
Filbert Mbecha
Husein Hamza Hamisi
Juma Ali Salehe Jonggo
Juma Hassan Chibaya
Jumanne Idd Selemani
Kassim Bakari
Kibwana Mohammad Msiga
Markus Weise
Mussa Alex
Mussa Omari
Paulo Atibu Hatibu
Sosthenes C Amlima
Sudi Saidi Ramadhan

Road safety project - Wamba Memorial Fund

During the week Markus and Juma tried to go to Kigamboni schools with HUWATA as agreed but on Tuesday they had another meeting, on Wednesday they were not in their office and on Friday they were not in their office. On Saturday they gave Juma a list of five schools with the number of cycling students in each school.

Elaine did not get time to start the translation of the manual.

On Monday Markus and Juma delivered a copy of the manual to Mr Wemba of National Institute of Transportation for his comments.

TANROADS and new roads

Elaine wrote the follow up letter to TANROADS requesting clarification where exactly the cycle lanes on Sam Nujoma and Kilwa Road are and Markus and Juma delivered it on Friday. They recommended we talk to the consultants and contractors for the road.

We discussed that it appears we are being given the run around as previously we were told by contractors and consultants that we are supposed to communicate with TANROADS. Members had the idea that we ask for assistance from Councillor Lupilya and maybe he will be listened to more. However the problem is that he is a councilor for Ilala and the two roads are in Kinondoni and Temeke. We also had the idea for councilor Lupilya to request a meeting for us with the Dar es Salaam mayor.

Tax

Elaine revised the letter to TRA as agreed and Markus and Juma delivered it on Tuesday and followed up on it on Thursday.

European Union

Markus and Juma followed up on the letter we delivered to the European Union offices in January to which we never got a reply. They were not allowed inside the building by the guards and were told to phone to make an appointment. They phoned and the person (Anna) said she would phone back, but she did not. They phoned again and she said that everyone in the EU is on holidays. They left another copy of the letter at the offices.

Office

Juma recommended we write a letter to the local government in Manzese introducing ourselves, and to the local government in Mabibo explaining that we are moving office.

Mejah has not yet painted the logo in the office.

Finances

Juma received Tsh 21,000 for guta hire for the last three weeks. He spent Tsh 2,000 on marker pens and Tsh 1,800 on office materials. He now holds Tsh 63,700 of UWABA money.

Farewell to Markus

This was Markus' last UWABA meeting. Members thanked him very much for all the work he has done for UWABA, the help he has given us in following up on the Wamba Memorial Fund as well as improvement of cycling conditions in Dar es Salaam and the ideas he has contributed. Members wrote thank you notes for Markus as a souvenir and we took some group photos.

Markus announced that he is donating Tsh 450,000 to UWABA and has deposited it in the UWABA bank account. It can be used for such things as furniture for the new office and purchase of another guta to improve our regular income. Members thanked him very much for his generosity.