

**Minutes of meeting of Umma wa Wapanda Baisikeli Dar es Salaam
27 June 2009**

Attendance

Juma Ali Salehe Jongo
Elaine Baker
Omary Shabani
Juma Hassan Chibaya
Beda John Mkusu
Ally Athuman Jumbe
Shamte J Kisoma
Mohammed Samwely
Alen J Nyanginywa
George Kabogo
Bashiri Rashidi
Ally Salum
Athmani Mussa
Saidi Brashi
Filbert Mbecha
Paulo Atibu Hatibu
Hamadi Hatibu Bwaja
Husein Hamza Hamisi
Rahma Ali
Shaban Mohammed Mwalimu
Mussa Omari
Edgar R Paulo
Hamza Mohamed
Abdul H Mwaibambe

Guest

Tom Bishop

Discussion with guest

Tom Bishop introduced himself – he is an Engineer from the UK who has come to Tanzania to set up a branch of an NGO called Amend. He met with Mejah in Belgium. Amend aims to increase road safety for children. So far there is a branch in Ghana. He will stay here until December to help set up the NGO here. At the moment he is looking for an office and management staff. UWABA members explained about our objectives and our activities. We explained about our project to teach cycle safety to school students. We said we would like to work together with Amend on road safety.

Tanga meeting

Dominata wrote a report about the Tanga meeting and gave it to Filbert. We agreed to wait until she returns from another trip so she can present the report to the meeting herself. Elaine said that writing reports after meetings is important.

Wamba project

Filbert wrote a report about the training in Magomeni and read it out at the meeting. Elaine will type it. Filbert also brought the evaluation forms.

We wrote accounts of expenditure of the Magomeni training and Elaine will type it. Filbert and Hamadi remained with Tsh 30,000 change after buying the helmets and printing on the jackets.

Elaine will communicate with Imelda about a potential training in Temeke. George will communicate with a school in Mabibo. We will try to get contact details for Mbondole school which is near Msongola school.

Bicycle NGO meeting, Nairobi

Edgar bought tickets for three people to go to Nairobi on Mohammed Transport for Tsh 150,000 using UWABA money. The money will be returned to UWABA when they get a refund in Nairobi.

Elaine prepared flyers to use in Nairobi and photocopied them, costing Tsh 4,000.

Elaine will email the organisers to get the name of the hotel and phone numbers to phone when the members arrive.

Road safety meeting, Dar es Salaam

More members registered to attend. The members agreed that Elaine should choose who will attend using criteria of which members have attended more UWABA meetings, with special places for women members.

The language of the meeting will be English and French but no Swahili. We must wear formal clothes for the cocktail on 7th and the dinner on 8th because important people will be there. On the other days we can wear UWABA t-shirt with long trousers or skirt.

Elaine will ask them about start and end times and washing facilities so we can plan transport by bicycle or otherwise. She will make copies of the invitation letter. She will find out whether we will have a chance to make a presentation on 9th or 10th.

Re-cycle

We are waiting for confirmation on the new Government policy on tax exemptions for NGOs.

JICA

Elaine sent JICA the minutes of the meeting, and they made corrections, and she posted them on the website.

Monthly forum

Elaine communicated with Uli Malsuis to ask for advice. He said he would talk to Christopher Japhet. Elaine saw on the city office notice board that the city council members meet with the public every month – we have already missed it this month. She will write a letter to ask them when is the next meeting.

Fasta Cycle courier cooperative

We will meet Mr Bukuku in July.

Meeting Ministry of Infrastructure

We will first wait for the report on the Brussels meeting by Mejah.

Foundation for Civil Society grant

Elaine emailed FCS and they said they have received our application and it will be processed in two months.

Cycle caravan

Elaine wrote a proposal based on last year's proposal. Edgar will communicate with UNEP. Elaine will prepare letters requesting sponsorship from various potential sponsors.

Song

Mejah is making the CD cover.

Video

Still to be delivered - traffic police (Mejah), Star TV and DART (Sosthenes). Elaine will give a CD to her contact at TBC.

Finances and guta

Elaine and Juma went to the bank and withdrew Tsh 260,600. Tsh 110,600 was returned to Elaine for the food at the training - Tsh 40,000, photocopy of manuals -Tsh 62,600 and photos Tsh 8,000. Tsh 150,000 was given to Edgar to buy bus tickets to Nairobi.

Filbert had Tsh 3,000 together with Tsh 30,000 change from the Magomeni training. The guta driver brought Tsh 20,000, and he still owes Tsh 8,000. Elaine was returned Tsh 4,000 for photocopying of the Nairobi flyers. We paid Juma his allowance for May of Tsh 20,000. Filbert now has Tsh 29,000 UWABA money.

Committee

Hamadi said that Juma got a discount of Tsh 30,000 when he bought the reflector jackets but he got a receipt for the full amount and took the Tsh 30,000 for himself. Juma said it was true. Elaine said that this is not correct. Hamadi said this not the first time Juma has mismanaged UWABA funds. Elaine recommended we have committee elections because we have not had elections in a long time and it is not good if members do not have trust in the committee members to do their job. The members agreed that we will have elections for the committee. The date of elections will be decided later.