

**Minutes of meeting of Umma wa Wapanda Baisikeli Dar es Salaam
28 March 2009**

Attendance

Ally Athuman Jumbe
Athumani Mussa
Bashiri Rashidi
Beda John Mkusu
Edgar R Paulo
Edward Marline
Elaine Baker
Filbert Mbecha
George Kabogo
Hamadi Hatibu Bwaja
Juma Ali Salehe Jongo
Jumanne Ayuba
Kibwana Mohammad Msiga
Mejah Mbuya
Mohammed Samwely
Paulo Atibu Hatibu
Ramadhani Rajabu Nyengo
Saidi Brashi
Selion Elieskia
Shamte J Kigoma

Monthly forum

Elaine followed up by email with the World Bank and the Dutch embassy to request they fund allowances for the monthly forum, but both refused. The Dutch embassy is still willing to provide a meeting room and refreshments.

Edgar delivered a letter to JICA requesting a meeting with them. The relevant person was at a meeting. He will follow up again this week.

Wamba project

Una Osili has still not sent documents to prove to NMB that the transfer was sent. Elaine will follow up by email.

Foundation for Civil Society Grant

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

Cycle courier cooperative

Edgar delivered a letter to the Kinondoni cooperative officer. He phoned Mejah to say that the letter should be stamped by the mtaa and the ward first before it is brought to him. Mejah and Juma will follow up getting these stamps this week.

Cycle safety video

Elaine will burn DVDs and also CDs. The new member Edward Martin said he would be interested in making another UWABA video.

Song contest

Mejah and Edgar found out that making a single costs about Tsh 150,000 from a company such as 41 records. We agreed to invite the singer Elia to the next meeting to sing us his bicycle song so we can review it.

WHO meeting

The WHO have replied that they can fund only one UWABA member to attend the meeting. In accordance with discussion last week, Elaine filled out the form on behalf of Mejah. She will follow up to get an invitation letter addressed to him so he can get a visa.

Re-cycle

Re-cycle emailed us to say that they have a donor who would contribute to the costs of getting bikes from UK to Dar es Salaam, but this would cover part of the cost only. We agreed to write to the TRA to request a tax exemption. Mejah and Kibwana will also do research on how to get a tax exemption.

English

Athmani Mussa is an English teacher and he offered to teach UWABA members for two hours a day at 1pm. Several UWABA members signed up for the classes. Elaine said that before the meeting starts, those who arrive early can speak in English for practise. The meetings will still be held in Kiswahili as some members do not know English.

Finances and guta

Ramadhan paid Tsh 14,000 of guta money and owes Tsh 7,000. Juma holds Tsh 21,000 of UWABA money.