Minutes of meeting of Umma wa Wapanda Baisikeli Dar es Salaam 7th July 2007

Attendance

Ally Saidi Mohamedi Ally Saidi Mwishekh Ally Salum Bakari Sadiki Elaine Baker **Emmy Rashidy** Filbert Mbecha Godfrey Jax (CHABADA) Hamadi H Bwaja Ima Mhigai Juma Ali Salehe Jongo Jumanne Idd Selemani Kilenja Kasim Ramadhan Lameck Charles Paulo Atibu Hatibu Rajabu S Mkialiko Said Mangala Saidi Mbaruku Sudi Saidi

Cycle Caravan

The meeting welcomed Godfrey Jax who is a member of CHABADA, the organisation dealing with cycling as a sport. Godfrey also joined UWABA. It had previously been agreed that a committee be set up for the cycle caravan made up of three members of each organisation (UWABA, CHABADA and AALOCOM). Godfrey said that the members from CHABADA would be himself, Kengele and Hussein Ali. UWABA agreed that the three members from UWABA would be Juma Ali Jongo, Ally Saidi Mohamedi and Elaine Baker. Godfrey agreed to contact AALOCOM during the week to get their nominations. It was agreed that this special committee would meet next Saturday at 9am in Mahakama ya Ndizi, Mabibo, before the full UWABA meeting, subject to that being suitable for AALOCOM.

Bank account

Ally Saidi Mohamedi reported that he had talked to the chairperson of the local street Mtaa wa Jitegemee (Rashid Chikoyo), where our meeting place is located, and he had agreed to introduce us so that we can open a bank account. Elaine gave Ally Saidi Mohamedi a letter from UWABA to NMB, a copy of the constitution and a copy of the minutes of the meeting where we decided to open a bank account and passport and stamp-size photos of Mejah, Elaine and Juma. Ally Saidi Mohammedi said he would bring these documents to the street chairperson and get the photos stamped and ask them for a letter of introduction.

Office

Elaine reported that she had emailed a range of organisations around the world to ask for financial support for our office, and two had replied saying they do not have funds available. She said that an UWABA member Joey Lake had pledged to contribute Tsh 50,000. Other members gave contributions to the office fund amounting to Tsh 10,500 and these were recorded Juma's account book.

Dar es Salaam Transport Master Plan

Juma reported that he delivered the letters about our participation in the Dar es Salaam Transport Master Plan to Dar es Salaam City Council, Japan International Cooperation Agency and Dar es Salaam Institute of Transportation.

Post office box

We are using the post office box of Mejah for UWABA correspondence. It was seen as important that there is a spare key to this box for UWABA as we may be getting replies to our letters without knowing. Elaine and Juma said they would follow up with Mejah.

Roads planned for construction

Elaine tried phoning and texting the mobile and landline numbers for Carl Bro Associates but could not get through. She will try emailing them this week.

Other business

More members collected their ID cards and contributed the Tsh 500 towards lamination costs. Jumanne kept a list of these contributions.

Godfrey Jax said the CHABADA are planning a Guta race from TAZARA to the airport, back to TAZARA, to Kibaha and back to TAZARA. They are hoping to have a prize of a new guta for the winner. He will let us know more soon.