

## UNAT Meeting of 25/07/2012

The meeting started at about 6.45pm with an open prayer by Pastor Okotie. The chairman welcomed members and the minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted by members. The chairman lamented the fact that we have not been able to implement any of the ideas the board came up with during our successive meetings.

He said that it was the hope of the board to invite professional to address members on issues that are important to our wellbeing in Tulsa. The board felt that this will serve as an incentive to get more Nigerians to attend meetings. For example an immigration attorney was to be invited for the meeting, but the fact that very few members attend meetings made it look odd to follow through with such a project.

Clinton suggested that we go ahead and invite the attorney to come and address us and that, that would prompt Nigerians to come to meetings if they are aware that we do bring professionals to speak on such issues. Yinka Osifeso reiterated that we need to get these professionals here even if people don't attend meetings. He thinks it is to the benefit of those who want to take advantage of the opportunities such discussions will present.

On finance: Our Account Summary for the end of July is as follows.

Donation Account: \$2213.48

Special Account: \$1916.90

Operating Account: \$2761.30

Grand Total \$6791.68

The financial secretary hinted that people are not paying their dues as they should. He appealed to members to pay up if we want the Association to be buoyant.

On our independence and cultural celebrations, an estimated cost of the activities was presented to the group. It will cost us approximately \$9500 to successfully undertake this project.

The different committees that were set up to organize the activities of the celebrations were asked to be up and running to make sure that we don't fall short of our expectations. The committee members are for

Cultural Activities. Mrs Ololo, Yinka and Austin.

Corporate Fund Raising, Nsien Clinton and Moses

Publicity, Moses, Patrick and Clinton.

Fund raising and Donations, Yinka and Charles.

Decorations, Matilda Ronke and Mrs Ololo

Members of the donation and Corporate fund raising committees requested that letters be sent in advance to possible donors intimating them that we have our celebrations coming up and that we shall appreciate their kind support. The secretary in turn requested that names of such donors be made available so the board so that the board can send out such letters.

On publications, the group decided that we keep the fees charged last year for adverts in the magazine we are publishing. \$100 for full page, \$50 for half and \$25 for a quarter page. Families are invited to buy adverts and those who marring or having birthday parties are encouraged to advertise in our magazine.

Matters arising, the insurance benefit program set up for the association is up and running and we hope members will take advantage of the benefit they will enjoy by making sure that they cover their families with an insurance scheme. We had a successful family picnic and would it have been much better if more families turned up.

With no other business for the day, the meeting was concluded with a prayer from Yinka Osifeso at 9.30.

