

Minutes of ICOBA General Meeting held at St Johns Church Walmley Hall 8, Walmley Road, Walmley, Sutton Coldfield B76 1QN on 21/05/2016

Meeting Opened at 14:27

Attendance:

Soji Fagade-Chairmam

Deji Okubadejo-Vice Chairman

Gbenga Segun-Director of Organisation

Jerry Coker-Treasurer

Segun Ifaturoti- Welfare Officer

Kunle Adeniji – Social Secretary

Seye Oyediran-Secretary General

Chief Femi Onabolu, Prof Remi Olatunbosun, Sola Davies, Dr Gbemi Okuribido, Peter Eboye, Lanre Okuribido, Isiaka Philip

Apologies:

Kayode Olule , Femi Awotesu, Tayo Awokoya , Rev. Tade Agbesanwa, Rev. Bunmi Fagbemi, Akin Coker, Otunba Bolaji Falase and Dr. Sola Odemuyiwa, Tunde Joseph, Tony Amokeodo, Oke Eleyae



Opening

The Chairman opened the meeting by thanking the Midlands Branch for hosting the meeting and everyone in attendance for attending.

Matters Arising

1. Minutes of 30.05.2015

Chief Onabolu observed that he and some other members in the Midlands did not receive the last minutes.

The Chairman apologised that it was due to problems with loss of data in the process of transferring from our previous website. The Chairman assured him that the issue was being addressed by updating our data base.

Action:-Gbenga, Tunde,

Segun and Seye

2. ICOBA Family Retreat 2016

The Director of Organisation presented the highlights of the event and solicited for the support of the Midlands Branch.

The Highlights of the presentation were as follows:-

-Date 29 -31 July 2016

-Venue- Beaumont Estate, Burfield Road, Old Windsor, Berkshire, SL4 2JJ

Some of the activities at the event are:-



- Formal Dinner Dance
- Market Place/trade fair
- Ladies Pampering Makeovers & Massages
- Games Five-A-Side Football, Badminton, Tennis
- Photography and Nature Trail
- Chapel Service
- Activities for the Younger Generation
- Business Networking Forum Launch
- -Prices and how to book
- Single Adult: £170
- Couple:-£260
- Child under 16:- £80

How to pay:-https://icoba-europe.org/reunion-2016

Payment can be made by Debit or Credit Card through Pay

Tentative Deadline for payment 30.06.2016

3. Other Events

Pal

-ICOBA Golf Clinic 28th May 2016 Venue:- West Essex Golf Club, Bury Road Chingford, E4 7QL Time:-10:00am -12:00pm Fee £25pp

-Alumni Event was in the pipe line



-suggestion to host events outside London.

- Dr Olumide Memorial Lecture
- Fund raising/School tie Dinner every other year
- Family Event -Royal Ascot Show 2017

Action:-Kunle

4. Report of Committees

Reports waiting to be submitted

5. Acccout

Jerry presented 2015 Account and solicited for prompt payment of dues.

Feed back

- Accounting year should be changed to run from January to December
- Reminder of dues to be circulated in Notices
- There should be Improvement of payment after the launch of the website with the pay pal system

Action Jerry and Gbenga

6. Welfare

The recent bereavements were announced:-



- Bensons
- Odubayos
- Adewakun
- Olule

. The Chairman reported on effort made so far to support the bereaved through individual donations and visits.

Meanwhile Exco is working on a policy but the present arrangement was to announce for support on a case by case basis.

After some deliberation it was agreed that SDF would be collected to support the Olules and that announcement would follow to support the Olules and Adewakuns.

Feed back

- Chief Onabule suggested that cash gift to the bereaved might not be ideal.
- - Exco should ask for suggestions from members.

Action:-Soji, Deji, Gbenga and Segun

7. AOB

a. Business Network

Chief Onabolu suggested that we should always see every meeting as an opportunity to network and get to know what each other is doing.



The Chairman welcomed the idea and informed the meeting that in fact a business network would be launched this year at the family retreat coming up in July 2016.

Furthermore a business directory was being developed.

Thereafter everyone was given the opportunity to do a 1 minute business pitch.

8. Closing

In the absence of any other business the Chairman brought the meeting to a close at 5:00pm

Seve Oyediran Secretary General