

MINUTES FOR THE NORWAY ZAMBIA FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON SATURDAY 26 MARCH 2011

1) AGM INVITATION, WELCOME.

The meeting started at 14.30. Jørgen Bosnes, was elected to lead the meeting.

2) THE INVITATION IS APPROVED.

3) APPOINTED PERSONELL

Terje Westby volunteered to be secretary. Wenche Dageid, Åge Skagestad and Terje Westby agreed to sign the minutes

4) ACCEPTANCE OF DOCUMENTS.

- a) Annual report 2010:* Chairperson went through the report and the AGM approved it (attachment 1)
- b) Treasures report:* Treasurer went through activities, expenses and income. The report was approved by the AGM (attachment 2)
- c) Budget for 2011:* The suggested budget was approved by the agm. (attachment3)
- d) Plan of action:* the suggested plan of action for 2011, was approved by the AGM (attachment 4)

The outgoing chairperson went through the annual report with and addressed the key events that had happen in 2010. (Attachment 5)

1. Summer party was held at Kringsjø 29 of may 2010
2. We spent some of our public funds from Oslo Commune at Independence Party. We need to write a report to Oslo Commune on how we spent the money. Approximately 80 People attended the party.
3. Zambians in Bergen arranged their own independence party and wants to formalize their relationship to us. See point 5 for amendments in constitution.
4. The web page seems to be small success so far. It looks to reach more people out there, since we have had more contacts from persons outside our community. Even Times of London wanted to use some of our pictures. This is important og god.

5. Network with other Nordic countries have had no activity. We have contacted them but no response.
6. The number of member has gone down. But there are many people on mailing list and followers. Need to find out how to get them to sign up.
7. Rosah, the student contact has been doing fine and welcomed and introduced students to our community.
8. Social and humanitarian policy has had no activity this year. How to boost it will be the boards challenge.
9. The board has focused on summer party, Independence and the web page this year. The chairperson feels it's because he has had no time to follow up because of sickness in his family.

5) Other matters.

a) Amendments to NZFA constitution: Outgoing chairperson wrote some suggested amendments to the NZFA constitution (attachment 6), after a long discussion in a board meeting to our constitution. There are Zambians living in Bergen and they have come with an initiative. They want to formalize our relationship. Even though the suggestions were not sent to members accordingly to our constitution (10 days' notice) the AGM decided to approve the suggestions from the outgoing Chairperson.

Comments from the AGM to the new board..

The AGM addressed some problems at the entrance door for the independence party. We need to get organized in a better way, so that people get in quicker. This year some people even turned in the door because of the long queue and waiting time.

We should make an editorial committee that will help Jørgen with his web work to reduce his amount of work.

We should work hard to keep most activities to NO COST. When it comes to entertainment at our parties, it should be done free of charge. Try to make dance activities and drum lessons as part of our entertainment. Let's US entertain ourselves.

We should move our web site to the new site as soon as possible. And try to make a info site for others and a members site for paying members.

Make a Facebook group page. This needs 25 members to start on.

Membership meeting`s. We need to make a program and **people to make it happen.**

6) Election of new board 2011

The election committee from 2010 was: Jon Sundelius (outgoing), Beatrice Skagestad and Amos Sijayile. They suggested that the new board consists of

- Terje Westby Chairperson
- Åge Skagestad as treasurer
- Annie Bee Westby as eventsmanager
- Besa Mwansa as board member
- Jørgen Bosnes as board member
- Etambuyo Gundersen as board member.

The board will decide on distribution of responsibility among the board members.

New election committee 2011

- Kabanda Mwansa
- Beatrice Skagestad
- Amos Sikayile.

Auditor

Inger Sjønnesen.

Meeting ended at kl. 16. 15

Oslo, 26 March 2011

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Terje Westby, Secretary

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Åge Skagestad

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Wenche Dageid