

ASANTEMAN KUO OF COLUMBUS
MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 27, 2010 GENERAL MEETING

Mr. Sylvanus Assiamah gave a prayer prior to the beginning of the day's business.

Mrs. Georgina Adusei-Hawkins read the minutes from our January meeting on behalf of the secretary. The President asked if there are any concerns, with no concerns noted the President motioned for acceptance and it was seconded by Mr. Peter Kuffour.

Website:

The President mentioned that since the last meeting the website committee namely Mrs. Georgina Adusei-Hawkins, Mr. George Aduai-Bonsu and Nana Tano were scheduled to meet with a web designer (Mr. Abe Garba, IT consultant). With Mr. Piesie Adusei-Bonsu not being available Nana Tano and Mrs. Hawkins met with the web designer. After discussions, the web designer and the committee are tabled to meet again within two weeks. The web designer is committed to lower his fees to accommodate our non-profit states and to try and have a prototype ready within a month. The President requested that all members provide input to make the website viable, interactive and fun.

Announcement:

The President informed members present at the meeting that, our former Vice-president Mrs. Gloria Adjei had fallen in the snow and broken a bone in her left arm. All members are encouraged to visit or call her @ 614-208-0939 and wish her well.

Social Night:

The plans to have a speaker at our March 27, 2010 meeting produced a welcoming response from Dr. Lawrence Entsuah, MD. Dr. Entsuah has agreed to make a presentation on **“Men and Women’s Health Management”**. He will emphasize on various health screenings and preventative medicine. Questions and answers will be entertained. We are all encouraged to invite our families and friends to this special event. This event is for Asanteman Kuo members and the entire Ghanaian community. Refreshments will be plentiful.

Membership Retention Project:

We need to find ways to retain members: the outreach committee members will call to find out why our members are not attending meetings and events. Visits may be recommended if warranted. We have a plan that is conclusive and intends to be inclusive. If you have any ideas that will facilitate the committee's efforts please speak to the committee chairperson (Mr. Peter Kuffour @ 614-302-6066). We need to partner

with other members so that we can encourage and remind each other about meetings and events. Stagga: Let's call each other for meetings.

2010 Picnic:

The executives will like to propose July 10, 2010 for our picnic. There were no objections. The Planning Committee will arrange to meet with other Ghanaian organizations that will be participating in this year's picnic. The committee will update the Kuo during our subsequent meetings. As always, we will ask members for their generous contributions

Committees:

The following are the chairpersons of the various committees:

1. Planning Committee – Sylvanus Assiamah
2. Welfare Committee – Thomas Okofo Danquah
3. Outreach Committee – Peter Kuffour
4. Finance Committee – Yaw Antwi-Nyanin

All the committee leaders have wrapped up their search for their various committee members. Members discussed issues related to the committees. The chairpersons presented their members before the Kuo proper. The welfare committee discussed member benefits to the general assembly. After lengthy discussions it was agreed to incorporate amendments/changes into our current rules/by-laws. The welfare and outreach committee leaders (Okofo Danquah and Peter Kuffour) were happy to report that Mrs. Gloria Adjei has been discharged to home and recuperating. The outreach committee expressed their sincere gratitude to Piesie Adusei-Bonsu for spearheading the membership task force.

In closing, the financial secretary Mrs. Adusei-Hawkins announced our dues and registration collection totaling \$655.00.

Mr. Patrick Asamoah Boateng offered a prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 7:05pm.

Submitted: Georgina Adusei-Hawkins for the Secretary.