

**Minutes of meeting of Umma wa Wapanda Baisikeli Dar es Salaam  
22<sup>nd</sup> December 2007**

**Attendance**

Ally Saidi Mwishehe  
Ally Salum  
Aseli Wilison  
Elaine Baker  
Filbert Mbecha  
Husein Hamza Hamisi  
Juma Ali Salehe Jongo  
Jumanne Idd Selemani  
Kassim Bakari  
Paulo Atibu Hatibu  
Yusufu Juma

**Office**

Elaine brought the translated minutes of meetings from January 2006 to October 2007. These will remain on the shelves in the office so members can refer to them in their own time. She will try to translate the other minutes herself.

The remaining notice boards are still being made.

**Guta**

During the week Juma and Elaine withdrew Tsh 60,000 and Juma remained with Tsh 40,000 of UWABA money, and Juma and Jumanne used this Tsh 100,000 to buy new wheels for the guta (Tsh 50,000), a new fork (Tsh 20,000) and a board (Tsh 30,000). Juma has receipts for the first two and Jumanne will get a receipt for the board.

**Finances**

Elaine will bring a thank you card for members to sign next week for Bike Nouveau Fabriq in Italy.

The Dutch embassy recognized the previous misunderstanding and rectified it by giving us an additional cheque for Tsh 230,700 which was lodged during the week.

Mejah said on the phone he will organise the making of T-shirts and the purchase of helmets for regular members.

**National Institute for Transportation (NIT)**

Elaine talked to Mr Wemba on the phone and a date of 19th January 2008 was agreed for the road safety seminar for cyclists at the National Institute for Transportation. All members at the meeting said they would attend it.

### **City Council and TANROADS**

We have not yet received a reply to our letter to the city council on the transport master plan. We have also not received a reply from TANROADS.

### **Regular allowance for Juma**

Elaine suggested that as Juma does the bulk of day to day follow-up work for UWABA, often involving him cycling all over the city to deliver and collect letters, that he should be paid an allowance for this work. She suggested a very small amount of Tsh 20,000 a month until our finances allow us to pay more. So far he has done this work for two years on a volunteer basis even though it often means he has to close his shop while away from it. The members agreed that Juma deserves this and agreed to the allowance.

### **Traffic police and rules of road**

Paulo suggested that we should meet the traffic police. It was agreed we should discuss with them the rules of the road and how they apply to cyclists, enforcement of measures to protect cyclists, how UWABA members can help the traffic police by reporting.

It was also discussed that we should all be familiar with the laws relating to the rules of the road. Elaine said she would print the Road Traffic Act (which is in English), but that it was not very detailed and it seems that most details are in the regulations signed by Ministers and the local government by-laws. Paulo said he would ask HUUWATA to give us copies of these if they have them, and Elaine will also try to get copies from legal NGOs or on the internet.

### **Other business**

Filbert made the point that if members sign the attendance register they should stay for the whole meeting until the agenda is finished.