

Minutes From the LAFABA-DFW Monthly Meeting Held on Saturday June 11, 2005

Host:

Honore Kwame, Miranda Kwame.

Attendance:

Someone else's responsibility.

Call to Order:

The meeting convened at the residence of Mr. & Mrs. Honore Kwame. The President, Mr. Honore Kwame, called the meeting to order at 9:15 PM. Ms. Odilia Swirri led the group in prayer.

Minutes from Previous Meeting:

At the time the meeting was called to order, the Secretary was not present. Therefore, Mrs. Laura Nana was asked to read the minutes from the previous (May) meeting. The president nominated Mr. Emma Nana to record the minutes of the deliberations. Following the reading of the minutes, there was the following correction:

- Mr. Francis Mbogning, and not Mr. Francis Kanga, had volunteered to help with the picnic planning.

Mrs. Quine Tamin moved a motion for the May 2005 minutes to be adopted with the above correction. Mr. Emmanuel Fassi seconded the motion.

Deliberation and Resolutions:

The group discussed the following issues:

- **Cultural Day:**
 - Scheduled on June 18, 2005.
 - All members are requested to come in their uniforms. Only those in uniforms shall participate in the Bamileke Group Cultural dance.
 - Mr. Emmanuel Fassi demonstrated how the dancing would be done. The group selected and agreed on two Bamileke traditional songs, which will be used for the occasion.
 - The men are encouraged to come with drinks and the ladies are also encouraged to bring food. The group is expected to prepare two dishes that are representative of the Bamileke culture/tradition. Volunteers are needed.
- **Uniform:**
 - Mr. Emmanuel Nana updated the group on the sales of material for the LAFABA uniform. A list will be made available to the members during the July meeting.

- **LAFABA Annual Picnic:**
 - Scheduled on July 2, 2005.
 - LAFABA will sponsor the purchase of meat, chicken, ribs, pork chops, hamburger meet, and hot dogs. The group agreed that the maximum amount to be taken from the LAFABA coffers and spend for this event is the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).
 - Drawing of the raffles will be done at the Picnic. Give-aways include one TV (purchased by LAFABA), two DVD players (Donated by Mr. Felix Leshey), African Artifacts (two from Mr. Felix Leshey, two from Mr. Honore Kwame, and one from Mr. Eric Noue).

- **Cameroon Project:**
 - On July 1, 2005, from 4:00PM ~ 6:00PM, the group is invited for a check presentation at Sam's Club on HWY-190 (5150 North Garland Ave.).
 - During the July meeting, the budget will be reviewed. All pledges should have been met and all the funds will be collected.

- **Pekin Planti**
 - The June meeting was tied with the Pikin Planti of Joey Ngambo (Mrs. Laure Ngambo's son. The traditional rituals were lead by Mr. Emmanuel Njikam.

Matters Arising and Announcements:

The following new members and visitors were introduced to the group:

- Mr. Isidore Lakmago introduced his family, Rosagne Lakmago, Kevine Lakmago, and Terrence Lakmago. He also made a speech and said a lot (in French), which the secretary could not capture in these minutes.
- Mr. Emmanuel Nana introduced his family, Crystal Tomdio, Mary Tomdio, Michael Nana, and Anastasia Nana. Mrs. Anastasia Nana donated a number of Bamileke traditional-dance musical instruments ("chang-changs" and a calabash musical instrument) that she brought from Cameroon.
- Mrs. Sandra Fobin introduced her husband and Sister-in-law.

Adjourned:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 PM. The next meeting shall be held on July 9, 2005, at 8:00 PM. The hosts will be Mr. Fidelis Simo, Mrs. Marilyn Simo, Mr. Lawrence Simo, Mrs. Rosalind Simo, Mrs. Nicoline Mbua, Mr. Jude Simo and Ms. Evelyn Motue.