

November 11, 2006 Meeting Minutes

The president called the meeting to order at 2100 hours. Mrs. Maggie Njobet led the group in prayer and Emmanuel Njiki read the October minutes.

- *Correction to October Minutes*

Mrs. Quine Sowunmi noted that a point she made during the discussion to establish a probationary time frame for new members was omitted in the minutes. She added that despite the six months probation agreed upon, the meeting will visit new members in the event they are bereaved and Ladies are responsible to bring a dish while Men contribute dues for drinks.

After the correction Mr. Njikam moved to adopt the minutes and Mrs. Quine Sowunmi seconded the motion, thus unanimously adopting the minutes.

- *2007 Hosting Roster*

A tentative hosting roster was compiled with the following guidelines taken into consideration, the 2006 roster, couples with both being registered members, and demographic also played a significant role on how members were grouped.

We proceeded by pairing a registered couple, a Female and a Male member who all live relatively close to each other, considering the vastness of the DFW metropolitan area.

Upon grouping members together, the president announced that members who had expressed interest in hosting the meeting on a particular month could forward their request and as a result the roster listed below reflects the choices.

January:

Mr. Jean-Louis Tante, Mr. Sammy Nana, Virginie Mague

February:

Mr. & Mrs. Wambo, Mrs. Maggie Njobet, Mr. Eric Noue, Mrs. Mala Fomunong

March:

Mr. & Mrs. Kwame, Mr. Jacque Tima, Ms. Odilia Swiri

April:

Mr. & Mrs. Njiki, Mr. Richard Nana, Ms. Emilia Nkwanwo, Mrs. Annie LeShay

May:

Mr. & Mrs. Pokam, Mr. Olivier Wanko, Alexise Sonkeng

June:

Mr. & Mrs. Takusi, Mrs. Marie-Noel Tafa, Mr. Jean-Marie Tuete

July:

Mr. & Mrs. Ndouagni, Mr. Celestine Mcfongim,

August:

Mr. & Mrs. Tchounbia, Mrs. Foma, Mr. Francis Kamgang

September:

Mr. & Mrs. Kamegni, Mr. Gregory K, Ms. Eugenie Moaleu

October:

Mr. & Mrs. Ngamaleu, Mr. Lawrence Simo, Mrs. Nicoline Mbua, Mrs. Quine Sowunmi

November:

Mr. Emmanuel Njikam, Mr. & Mrs. Wandji, Ms. Solange,

- *Christmas Party and Pikin Planti*

Mrs. Maureen Ngamaleu on behalf of the planning committee advised the meeting that spouses who are not members are welcome to help make the Christmas party a success particularly with Female preparing dishes and Men helping out with drinks.

She also asked members who may be doing holiday shopping to look out for a variety of decorative items and table clothes for 15 round tables. To prevent members from buying duplicate items contact Mrs. Ngamaleu or Mrs. Njiki with a list of items you bought and also to get reimburse.

Mrs. Ngamaleu read the following name of members;

Sammy Nana, Francis Kamgang, Laure Ngambo, Clede Tamin Nkwain, Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Tala, Annie LeShey, Eric Noue, Mr. & Mrs. Tchounbia, Olive Njobet, whose babies will be honored with a group pikin planti and she once more requested that these members contact her with any gift preference.

As previously discussed members were once again reminded that it is the responsibility of each member to bring a labeled wrapped gift for their child or children to the Christmas party, and LAFABA will reimburse \$10.00 only to the members who participate in the Christmas Party children gift giving.

Female members were reminded that in order to have a variety of dishes, the cooking list that had been circulating in the past two months was again made available and for those that have not yet sign to contact Mrs. Ngamaleu and Mrs. Njiki.

On that same not, so far only 15 men have contributed the \$40.00 for drinks, for those that have not been to the meeting in the past two months this issue was unanimously agreed upon back in the September meeting.

Mrs. Maggie Njobet was kind to volunteer to cook the traditional country planti to be used to honor our pikin planti recipients.

The meeting still needs members to volunteer in the following task, party hall decorations and Santa Claus.

With the party starting at 7:00pm and lasting till dawn some members asked if the building have a room that could be used for baby sitting and the answer was no, however The president was kind to offer his residence which is 10 minutes from the hall as an

option for members to bring their children after the presents are handed out. It was agreed that parents are responsible for any babysitting prearrangement.

- *DJ*

As it stands we have two alternatives with respect to acquiring musical equipments to use for the Christmas party. The president proposed renting Augustine Foubon's equipments and if that option is not successful Mr. Jean-Louis Tante offered to get together with Olivier Wanko and Alain Pokam to look into obtaining a musical set elsewhere.

- *Member of the Year*

The following members were nominated for member/members of the year and a secret ballot was conducted with the results to be made available at the Christmas party. Mrs. Ngamaleu nominated Emmanuel Njiki, Mr. Jean-Louis Tante nominated Mrs. Quine Sowunmi, and Mr. Richard Nana nominated Mr. & Mrs. Njiki.

- *Introductions:*

Alain Pokam introduced a Family member from Cameroon, Williams Djamfa, and Franciose Tonle from California.

- *Announcements:*

Alain Pokam announced that he is a Certified Loan Officer, and offers Tax, Mortgage and Bookkeeping services.

Mrs. Ngamaleu announced that she and Mr. Ngamaleu both offer certified CPR courses.

Mrs. Njiki also announced that she offers notary services.

Meeting Adjourned at 2300 hours

Respectfully Submitted

Emmanuel Njiki