



MINUTES OF DOZIE OWERRI ASSOCIATION, ABUJA BRANCH
GENERAL MEETING HELD ON SATURDAY, 24TH May, 2025.

Hosts: Chief Reginald Anyanwu, Mr. Kelechi Omeni-

Nzewuihe, Sir. Malachi Onyeukwu

Venue: A22A Pine Crescent, Sunnyvale Home,

Dakwo District, Lokogoma road.

Meeting started at 5:45pm with a call to order by the Vice President. Opening prayers was led by Mrs Gloria Okara

Attendance List:

1.	Mr. Rogers A.I Nwoke	08037003284	August 25
2.	Mr. Okara Kennedy Bello	08036050146	July 29
3.	Mr. Lucky Opara	08035229636	February 14
4.	Mr. Reginald Anyanwu	08033005445	May 26
5.	Mr. Ememyonu Paschal-M	08035898249	July 10
6.	Mr. Oliver Akuta	08033218495	September
7.	Mr. Stanley Nkwazema	0707888818	September
8.	Ms. Gloria Okara	08033145888	August 25
9.	Mr. Chinedu Onyeukwu	08033958997	November
10.	Ms. Ann Ezekwe	07065381457	September 24
11.	Ms. Anita Ezekwe	08108191046	September 24
12.	Mr. Eze Megwa	08037401877	April
13.	Mr. Ugochukwu Nwosu	08032899986	July
14.	Mr. Henry. C. Opara	08065129358	August
15.	Mr. Sam Amadi	08033299879	July

16.	Dr. Tony Okerefor	08033411059	October 1
17.	Mr. Kris Ohale	08033051296	august
18.	Mr. Ike Obihara	07064837177	September
19.	Mrs. Chioma Njoku	08033170084	September
20.	Prof. Henry Njoku	08033103314	January
21.	Mr. Godfrey Nze	08131176186	March
22.	Pastor Iyke Onuoha	08036457841	January 8
23.	Barr. Emeka Iwuamadi	08038897109	October 2
24.	Mr. John. O. Asoluka	08035513775	May
25.	Ms Eucheria Ekeh	08060126404	August 16
26.	Mr. Paul Ohuche	08034966758	November 25
27.	Mr. Ifeanyi Onyeugo	08061307605	September
28.	Prof. Anthony Emeribe	08033452745	December 14
29.	Mr. Aikay Oparah	08038702002	October 2
30.	Mr. James Ekeji	08033614703	August 15
31.	Mr. Pante Opara	08034504080	June

INTRODUCTION OF NEW ATTENDEES:

- a. Dr. Ikechukwu Obihara from Ulakwo, Ngor Okpala. His 2nd consecutive attendance.
- b. Ezekwe Ann Chimezie from Ola-Ukwu autonomous community. Oforola, Owerri west LGA. Her 1st time attending as an observer and wishes to become a prospective member of the association.
- c. Ezekwe Anita Chiamaka from Ola-Ukwu autonomous community. Oforola, Owerri west LGA. Her 1st time attending as an observer and wishes to become a prospective member of the association.

Apologies for Absentees: Chief Malachy Onyeukwu, Barr. Kelechi Ndukuba, Mrs Hulda Nkwocha, Mrs. Lizzy Ihezue-Iwuamadi, Mr. Aristotle John-Emezi, Mr. Victor Emeana.

President's Opening Remarks:

In his opening remarks, Mr. President welcomed everyone to the meeting and read the agenda of the may general meeting.

Kolanuts was at this point formally presented by the President on behalf of the May born. Oha Victor Emeana coordinated the blessing of kolanut rites.

READING OF MINUTES: Minutes of the last monthly general meeting held in May, 2025 was read by the General Secretary.

Observations:

The President requested that going forward the minutes will be reviewed page by page by attendees present, observations/comments taken and subsequently adopted accordingly. It was unanimously agreed by all.

In the absence of any other observations or corrections, Mr. Oliver Akuta moved to adopt the Minutes read as a working document of the Association Supported by Mr. Ike Opara.

MATTERS ARISING/AGENDA:

Action Items:

- Create a Google form to gather information on members' age for the group life insurance policy
- Negotiate with insurance companies on the group life insurance policy details, including the proposed death benefit of 2-million-naira, permanent disability benefit of 1 million naira, and hospitalization benefit of 500,000 naira
- Provide an update on the insurance policy negotiations at the next meeting

1. Discussion on Life Insurance for Members

The president introduces the topic of group life insurance for members, mentioning his

consultations with experts and the need for formal quotes. He also outlined two options: Mandatory insurance where the association transfers the risk to an insurance company, or optional insurance where the benefit is an additional entitlement.

He then suggests a proposal for a death benefit of 1 million or 2 million naira and a permanent disability benefit of 1 million naira and mentions the need to finalize the insurance details by June and to prepare for the next monthly meeting in June.

2. Debate on Insurance and Dues

Mr President suggested separating insurance from dues and making insurance voluntary, emphasizing the importance of not using dues to pay for insurance. He explains the legal requirements for group life insurance and the benefits of transferring the risk to an insurance company. Mr Henry Opara aligns with the president's position, suggesting that insurance should not affect the association's financial capacity. The president then discusses the potential motivation for members to pay their dues if insurance is attached as an entitlement.

BUSINESS OF THE DAY

COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Membership Development

The President reported on the bye-laws and constitution review committee, mentioning that the chairman, Barr. Ndukuba, will have a meeting by the first week of June with his members.

Chairman of the membership and development committee outlined their terms of reference, including screening and disciplining members. He suggested adding categories of membership, such as full members, associate members, and patrons, to expand and sustain the association's reach. He also reported on an incident involving a prospective member, a member and a host, and the committee's decision to issue a warning and sanction.

b) Proposals for Membership Committee and Bye-laws Amendments

Mr President summarizes the membership development committee's recommendations, including eligibility criteria and the need for a clear definition of who should be a member. He re-echoed the need for an aggressive drive to reactivate dormant members and increase the average age of members. The President proposed outlawing the practice of "ichimia" and imposing a fine for misconduct. He reminded all present the requirements process for transfer from one branch to another which essentially proof of non indebtedness and the importance of thorough scrutiny of prospective members.

c) Finance and Projects Committee Reports

Dr. Akuta on behalf of the Finance committee now regularly Pinn association's account details on the WhatsApp group and that some improvements has been observed. He promised to provide quarterly update report.

Mrs. Njoku, reported of the committee's plan to leverage on various government interventions like agriculture, Data literacy, skill acquisitions etc.. projects were outlined. An intervention by the Abuja Chamber of Commerce and Industry to empower women by formalizing their businesses was highlighted and the need for the association to sensitize and collate members interest related to the various intervention programs was suggested.

d) Dozie Owerri Abuja(DOA) Website and Secretariat

Development

Mr. President, reported of progress on a website and portal emplacement for the association that will feature it's Vision, Mission statement, membership categories, social interactions with various Town Unions, cultural and heritage events. The imperative for internet presence was overwhelmingly applauded. President requested the General Secretary to liaise with members to obtain their thoughts to enrich the platform. One of the benefits is income generation via content download and subscription.

Mr. President donated an office space located at EFAB Mall, Block D102, in Area 11

Abuja. Approval was given to renovate it and to obtain cost of equipping and maintaining a befitting office for the association. General Secretary was requested to liaise with President and Publicity Secretary to submit a commercial proposal to achieve it.

e) Security and Collaboration with Government

The issue of security and the need for collaboration with the government to set up vigilante groups was raised. Mr President agreed to engage the government to see how the association can collaborate on security issues, he also mentioned the importance of not dismissing government initiatives outright and the need to explore ways to work together. Revisiting the UDARA Report was also canvassed, and to liaise with security and vigilante groups to see how the association can better address this existential threat was suggested.

Obituary Announcement

Barr. Chinedu Onyeukwu reported the passing away of his mother. Please see funeral details below.

Glorious Exit of a Quintessential Matriarch

The entire Onyeukwu Family of Umungudu Umuogba Umudoche Umuoma Nekede Owerri West L.G.A Imo State joyfully announce the demise of their Matriarch, Mother, Grandmother & Great grandmother



**EZINNE
CATHERINE**
Chiatuogu Onyeukwu
(Nee Nzewuihe)
@83
Years

Obsequies

Wednesday 30th July 2025

5pm: Service of Songs at her residence

Thursday 31st July 2025

7.00am

Body leaves Imo State Specialist Hospital Mortuary Umuguma Owerri to her home town Umungudu Umuogba Umudoche Umuoma Nekede Owerri West

9.00am

Lying in state at her residence Umungudu Umuogba Umudoche Umuoma Nekede Owerri West

11.00am

Funeral Service at Holy Trinity Anglican Church (HTC) Umuoma Nekede Owerri West

1.pm

Interment at her residence Umungudu Umuogba Umudoche Umuoma Nekede Owerri West

Entertainment at her residence immediately after interment

You are always in our hearts!

May her gentle soul rest in the Bosom of Abraham

SIGNED: MR. NDUBUISI EDWIN ONYEUKWU FOR THE FAMILY



Final Remarks and Adjournment

Mr President emphasizes the importance of engaging the government and working together on security issues. He reiterated the need to review the UDARA Report on

security and vigilante groups to see how the association can collaborate better, he then thanks the members for their contributions and adjourns the meeting. He promised to work assiduously to finalize the insurance package and report same at the June general meeting.

Motion for adjournment of the month’s meeting was moved by Dr.Sam Amadi, and was supported by Stanley Nkwazema.

Closing prayer was said by Mr. Emeka Iwuamadi. Meeting ended at 8:30pm.

May Host -

1. Mr. Victor Emeana
2. Engr. Bright Iroka
3. Hon. Uche Onyeaguocha
4. Mr. Tony Anyadike
5. Mr. Chidi Nnzerem
6. Mr. Pante Opara
7. Comrade Joe. Ajero
8. Dr . Ugo Ihekuna
9. Mr. Hubert Akahara

DOA Official Hosting Roaster

DOZIE OVERRI ABUJA MONTHLY MEETING HOSTING ROASTER

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| 1 | FEBRUARY | Sir Okey Ikpe
Ezinwa Lucky Opara
Mr Chinedu Ude
Stanley Njoku |
| 2 | MARCH | Dr. Godfrey Nze
Hon. Sir Tochukwu Okere
Capt. John-Emezi Aristotle |

- 3 **APRIL** **Dr Philip Emeana**
 Dr. Eze Megwa
 Chief Mike Nwachukwu

- 4 **MAY** **Mr. Malachy Onyeukwu**
 Mr Kelechi Omeni Nzewuihe
 Mr. Reginald Anyanwu

- 5 **JUNE** **Mr. Pante Opara**
 Engr. Bright Iroka
 Hon. Uche Onyeagucha
 Mr. Tony Anyadike **Jan. Addition**
 Mr. Chidi Nzerem **Dec. Addition**
 Mr. Victor Emeana **Dec. Addition**
 Mr. Joe Ajero **Dec. Addition**
 Mr. Hubert Akahara

- 6 **JULY** **Chief Paschal Emeanyonu**
 HE. Dr. Mrs. Betty Anyanwu-Akeredolu
 Barr. Kennedy Okara
 Dr Sam Amadi
 Mr. Chris Amadi
 Pastor Iyke Onuoha **Jan. Addition**
 Sir Rapheal Ude **Sept. Addition**
 Nda Ally Akujuobi

- 7 **AUGUST** **Pastor Henry Opara**
 Mr Okechukwu Ajare
 Hon. Rogers Nwoke
 Ms. Gloria Okara,
 Mr. Philip Chukwueke
 Mr. James Ekeji
 Ms. Eucharika Ekeh
 Mr Chris Ohale
 Mr. Charles Ugwuadu

- 8 **SEPTEMBER** Barr. Kelechi Ndukuba
 Mr. Oliver Akuta
 Mrs. Lizzy Ihezue Iwuamadi
 Mrs. Hulda Nkwocha
 Barr. Obinna Ajoku (SAN)
 Mrs. Chidinma Henshew Aug. Addition
 Mr. Stanley Nkwazema
- 9 **OCTOBER** Barr. Emeka Iwuamadi
 Barr. Ken Njemanze (SAN)
 Dr. Tony Okereafor
 Mr. Onyemuche Okere
 Barr. Chijioke Orji
 Mr. Aikay Oparah
 Prof. Henry Njoku Jan. Addition
 Mrs. Chioma Njoku Sept. Addition
 Prof. Anthony Emeribe Dec. Addition
- 10 **NOVEMBER** Chief Nkechi Ogbonna
 Mr. Clement Chinaka
 Mr. Ugochukwu Nzerem
 Mr. Paul Ohuche
 Mr. Dannis Osuji
 Mr. Bisike Uba Dec. Addition
 Chief Victor Muruakor Jan. Addition
 Mr. Philip Chukwueke
 Dr. Ugo Ihekuna April Addition

Dues Collection:

1. Ugochukwu Cosmos Nwosu: Registration: 20,000
 Dues (Annual): 60,000 - 80,000
2. Lucky Ibekwe: Dues: 5,000

3. Pante Opara: Dues: 5,000
4. Eucharia Ekeh: Dues: 10,000

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Rogers Nwoke
President

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Paul Ohuche
General Secretary