MINUTES OF DOZIE OWERRI ASSOCIATION, ABUJA BRANCH EXCO MEETING HELD ON Saturdau, 22nd November, 2025.

Hosts: Chief Nkechi Ogbonna, Mr. Clement Chinaka, Mr. Ugochukwu Nzerem, ~~Mr. Paul Ohuche ,Mr. Dannis Osuji Mr. Bisike Uba, Chief Victor~~ Muruakor, Mr. Philip Chukwueke, Dr. Ugo Ihekuna

Venue:

Meeting started at 5:40pm with a call to order. Opening prayers was led by Mr James Ekeji.

Kolanuts was at this point formally presented by the Prof. Emeribe. Adoption of agenda was done by Dr. Emeana seconded by Mr. Chijioke Orji.

Attendance List:

S/N	Name of Member	Birthday	Phone Number
1	Dr. Tony Okereafor	Oct 1	08033411059
2	Kelechi Omeni-Nzewuihe	May 17	08033088635
3	Ugo Nzerem	Nov 8	08034021217
4	Stanley Nkwazema	Sept	07018888188
5	James Ekeji	Aug 15	08033614703
6	Barr. Emeka Iwuamadi	Oct 2	08038897109
7	Paul Ohuche	Nov 25	08034966758
8	Lucky Opara	Feb 14	08035229636
9	Gloria Okara	Aug 25	08033145888
10	Ann Ezekwe	Sept 24	07065381457
11	Anita Ezekwe	Sept 24	08108191046
12	Dr. Philip Emeana	April 3	08067188667

13	Hulda Nkwocha	Sept 18	08036258600
14	Chioma Njoku	Sept 6	08033170084
15	Prof. Henry Njoku	Oct 15	08033103314
16	Pante Opara	June 10	08034504080
17	Chief Paschal Ememyonu	July 10	0803589824
18	Onyeukwu Malachy	May 21	08030986599
19	Victor Emeana	Dec 23	08033054474
20	Dr. Eze Megwa	April 12	08037401877
21	Ugochukwu Nwosu	July 14	08032899986
22	Kennedy Okara	July 29	08036050146
23	Reginald Anyanwu	Sept	08033005441
24	Kelechi Ndukuba	Sept 15	08033103314
25	Kris Ohale	Aug 19	08033051296
26	Charlie Ugwuadu	Aug 17	08033166567
27	Prof. Anthony Emeribe	Dec 14	08033452745
28	Chiaka Alozie	Sept 8	08063139693
29	Tony Anyadike		08069162893
30	Henry Opara	Aug 15	08065129358
31	Rogers A.I Nwoke	Aug 25	08037003284
32	Hans Anukam	June 16	08183302639
33	Joe Ajaero	Dec 17	08034752436
34	Chinedu Ude	Feb 11	08033148841
35	Chijioke Orji	Oct 2	08022243295

INTRODUCTION OF NEW ATTENDEES:

There was no new member for admission.

Apologies for Absentees: Mr. Aikay Opara, Mr. Chinedu Ude, Dr. Sam Amadi, Mrs. Eucharia Ekeh, Mr. Bisike Uba, Mr. Uche Onyeagucha, Mr. Oliver Akuta, Mrs. Lizzy Ihueze-Iwuamadi, Mr. Chinedu Onyeukwu, Barr. Obinna Ajoku, Mr. Kelechi Omeni-Nwezuike

. **PRESIDENT'S OPENING REMARKs**

The president thanked all for their support.

READING OF MINUTES: The minutes from the last meeting were posted on the general WhatsApp group.

In the absence of observations or corrections, Mr. James Ekeji moved to adopt the Minutes read as a working document of the Association Supported by Mr. Pante Opara.

Key Discussion Areas

- Budget and financing approach for current initiatives
- Status of preparations and ongoing research
- Review of circulated bylaws and related issues
- Any other business as time permits

Meeting Operations and Improvements

- Target meeting start: 5:00 PM; duration: 2 hours
- Prior best start achieved: 5:25 PM; aim to improve punctuality
- Emphasis on continuous improvement and member support for the association's agenda

Action Items

- Use the agenda/version shared on the platform; ignore misnumbered printouts
- Prepare and present a budget/financing proposal
- Compile and share an update on preparations and research
- Review and provide feedback on the circulated bylaws
- Adhere to the 5:00 PM start and 2-hour meeting cap going forward

Review and Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes

The meeting was initiated by reviewing and adopting the minutes of the previous meeting held in October. The minutes were confirmed to be posted earlier and are available on the platform. Two members went through the minutes page by page, checking for any omissions or errors. The minutes were adopted as a working document in the absence of any additions or subtractions.

Meeting Conduct and Member Interaction

The tone and attitude in discussions, respect for meeting procedures and the handling interruptions and disagreements were addressed in detail.

Attendance and Corrections

Attendance verification, Name corrections and Page references for attendance and corrections

Financial Matters, Meeting Schedule and Timing

Donations and financial contributions, Clarifications on pledged amounts, Target meeting end time. Observations on meeting duration

Office Setup and Administration

Current office functionality, Equipment status (desktop computer). Office furniture and space were discussed.

Staffing and Administrative Support

Advertisement for administrative secretary/administrator. Discussion on staffing needs and budget. Use of office for committee and business meetings. Plans for business center services to support administrative costs.

Business of the Day:

Report on sub-committees:

1. Bye-Laws Committee

The six key bylaw amendments up for discussion, including the mission and vision statements were revised. The process of incorporating feedback, finalizing the draft, the importance of reaching a consensus on the proposed amendments were discussed. A suggestion was raised on having a second hearing to gather more inputs and ensure thorough discussion.

2. Finance committee:

A discussion was raised on the financial obligations of members, including dues and insurance premiums. There was a suggestion on merging dues and insurance premiums into a single payment to simplify the process. Then a reasoning behind mandatory insurance for financial members to ensure coverage in case of death was raised.

3. Membership Committee

The revalidation of members was brought up, the adoption of a traffic light system (red, amber, green) for membership status, the extension of membership periods from six months to two years and the timeline for announcing membership status changes, aiming for a December 31 announcement. An update on the membership committee's efforts to organize breakfast meetings was mentioned. A resolution from a previous meeting to delete members immediately, but suggests an appeal until the end of the year was recalled. The financial status of members and the need for interest and engagement was discussed

Discussion on Individual Members

Discuss specific members, including their status and contributions to the association, The removal of certain members based on their financial and engagement status, the importance of not discussing individual members in detail during the meeting, the need to focus on the overall membership status and not individual cases.

Event Planning and Logistics

The logistics of the upcoming OHUCHE event, including registration, seating, and security. The need for online registration and access cards for security purposes. The agenda for the event, including red carpet arrivals, video presentations, and a panel discussion were all outlined. The importance of crowd control and proper planning for the event were emphasized.

Membership Categories and Privileges

The concept of graduate membership, allowing members to transition to full membership after five years. The potential benefits and challenges of graduate membership, including the need for documentation and eligibility criteria. defining the rights and privileges of graduate members to avoid confusion. Concerns were raised about the potential dilution of membership and the importance of maintaining clear membership categories.

Conclusion and Next Steps

The key points discussed during the meeting, including financial obligations, membership categories, and event logistics were summarized. The next steps, including finalizing the bylaw amendments and preparing for the upcoming event were outlined. The president encouraged members to provide feedback and participate in the decision-making process, then he concluded the meeting by thanking everyone for their contributions and emphasizing the importance of unity and progress.

Any Other Business

1. Invitation to Mr. Pante Opara memorial anniversary

Motion for adjournment of the month's meeting was moved by Mr Kelechi Ndukuba ,

and was supported by Mr. Stanley Nkwazema.

//Closing prayer was said by Mr. Emeka Iwuamadi. Meeting ended at 9:20pm.

February Host –

1. **Sir Okey Ikpe**
2. **Ezinwa Lucky Opara**
3. **Mr Chinedu Ude**
4. **Stanley Njoku**

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DOZIE OWERRI ABUJA MONTHLY MEETING HOSTING ROASTER

SN MONTHS NAMES

1 FEBRUARY Sir Okey Ikpe
Ezinwa Lucky Opara
Mr Chinedu Ude
Stanley Njoku

2 MARC H 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. Eucharia 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:

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Rogers Nwoke	**Paul Ohuche**
President	**General Secretary**