

MANIFESTO BY ADAMA AWONSEBA MICHELLE

Warren Bennis once said "Leadership is the capacity to translate vision into reality."

Honorable chairman, Distinguished guests, Accurate time keeper, Fellow aspirants, Colleague students, Ladies and Gentlemen. Good evening and thank you very much for gracing today's event with your presence.

The Medical Students Association has seen a lot of achievements under the leadership of past but exemplary leaders but a time has come again for the hand of leadership to change. A time has come for the election of new leaders that would work towards making the association a success.

I am in the person of Adama Awonseba Michelle, a PBL 2 student of this noble institution. I am humbled this evening, given the opportunity to layout the intentions and goals I intend to achieve if elected MSA general secretary for the 2021/2022 academic year. I want to use this as a forum to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has supported me with advice and encouragement since the day I made it known I would be running for this office.

Honorable chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen, I want to become a leader who will create a legacy that will inspire others to dream more, to do more, to learn more, and to become more of who they are. Taking up the position as secretary is way of fulfilling this conviction, and I intend to achieve the following if elected;

One of the roles of the secretary is to keep the organization running smoothly, taking care of administrative and organizational tasks that make it function. This includes taking accurate minutes of meetings, presenting agendas, filing prioritizing workload just to mention a few.

I have inquired and I know that currently we do not have a secretariat. The secretary does not have a place to keep essential and confidential documents of the association and for that matter it is hampering her work. An MSA secretariat is long overdue. A secretariat would facilitate the running of the central administration by secretary and also serve as a way of generating income for the association. Printing documents at a reduced cost and an easy way of doing course registrations. I cannot promise a due date but all the steps it takes, I will initiate it. Leadership is a continuum and so I will lace with the appropriate body to do make necessary preparations towards achieving this.

In my wake to ensure that during my tenure of office things run smoothly, I intend to create an effective means of communication between the members of the association and the executive board. Effective communication is key to the growth of any organization. As general secretary, I intend to improve the current transparency of MSA, by making sure members are kept up-to-date with the happenings of MSA through the various General Assembly representatives of each class and also by introducing MSA "filla" of the week to keep members abreast with information concerning the association.

One of my aims as general secretary is to have an interactive MSA. I will make a way for open forums as a way of exchanging ideas and information .What I am going to do in the immediate term is that I am going to put at a vantage point a suggestion box. As at now there is no way to meet MSA if you have a concern. I will check the box on a regular basis and address concerns aptly. As I work assiduously towards achieving the secretariat, the suggestion box is what I want to achieve in the first few months in office. This is all part of my grand agenda to make MSA which is turning virtual by the day more physical. To make MSA presence to be felt.

Honorable chairman, Distinguished guests, Ladies and Gentlemen. I humbly implore you to vote for me. A vote for Adama Awonseba Michelle is a vote for a new era of positive change. I would serve MSA to the best of my effort and play a role to achieving a better MSA.

THANK YOU.