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BUEA EAST ZONE

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MINUTES OF CYF BUEA EAST ZONAL REPRESENTATIVES MEETING OF SATURDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2018 AT PCC MOLYKO

1. OPENING

The meeting began at 09:30am with 12members, opening choruses and prayer led by Sis. Buh Joycelyne (CYF Molyko) and Bro. Mendi Gitel (CYF Bomaka) respectively. The Zonal Girls' Representative, Sis. Nanyongo Lucy led the chanting of the CYF anthem. The agenda was then presented by the Zonal Coordinator and was unanimously adopted by delegates.

2. ROLL CALL/UNIFORM CHECK

Roll call was conducted by the Chairperson (ZOCO). Four groups out of ten were present at the beginning, namely Molyko, Muea, Bomaka and Bokwai. CYF Mautu was reported to be absent out of anger over being stripped of their hosting rights of the meeting and venue changed to Molyko, though everyone was in accord that Mautu was too insecure at the time to host the meeting as initially planned. CYF Maumu was reported not to be informed about the meeting, despite not being exempted from several text messages circulated to that effect. CYF Bolifamba was still to come. Most Zonal executives were out of Buea as a result of the socio-political crisis in Anglophone Cameroon and could not make it to the meeting. As such, only five out of thirteen executives were present, who comprised the Zonal Coordinator, the Girls' Representative, the Secretary General, the Financial Secretary and the Sports Secretary I.

The Zonal G.R checked uniforms and there was no defaulter.

3. OPENING REMARKS

The Zonal Coordinator began by thanking all for honouring the appointment. In the same token, he expressed heartfelt gratitude for the prayers, presence and support of the Zone during the period of his father's demise and especially on the day of burial. He urged us to always extend such great love to one another and others unconditionally. He then stated that the meeting was aimed at evaluating the functioning of the Zone in 2018 so as to chart a better course for 2019, and also to prepare for the end-of-year Presbytery Delegates Meeting.

4. MEDITATION

A series of soul-touching songs led by Sis. Eweli Sandrine (CYF Bokwai) ushered in Sis. Tabi Tabot Manyi (CYF Bokwai) for the meditation of the day. The latter drew inspiration from Isaiah 54:8, and pointed out that the Lord is angry with us for we have all turned against him. She however said that there is assurance of God's forgiveness of our sins if only we turn back to him, for his anger does not last but his mercies endure forever. She ended by saying that as Cameroonians we should not only seek peace in the turbulent times we are facing but should also ask for God's mercy for our injustices.

5. READING/AMENDMENT/ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of 10 June 2018 at PCC Maumu were read by the Zonal Secretary General, Bro. Nkwenti Lionel, and there were no points for amendment. The minutes were

moved correct by Bro. Sone Boldwin (CYF Muea), seconded by Bro. Tualack Lionel, Zonal Sports Secretary I.

6. MATTERS ARISING

It was reported that cash prizes for the 2018 rally awarded by the Zone had been received by the groups concerned, with CYF Molyko having received the Zonal flag. The only exceptions were CYF Lysoka and CYF Maumu that had been absent from the forums where the prizes were handed. Their own prizes were to be handed later.

Delegates also raised the issue of the Zonal sports competition 2018 scheduled for October to December not having started. All agreed that the Anglophone crisis was a stumbling block and that the activity be undertaken later when conditions would be favourable.

Lastly, groups were called up to report on their evangelistic outreach activities as outreach was stipulated by the Zonal calendar in the months of June and July. CYF Muea reported to have visited, prayed and shared the word of God in some health centres around their vicinity. CYF Bomaka said they had done same during an evangelistic visit to CYF Synod Office – Buea on June 15, 2018. Most other groups could reportedly not realise this activity due to the crisis and other obstacles.

7. OTHER MATTERS

* Zonal Sustenance Project

The project adopted here was that of a Zonal almanac beginning from the year 2019. After an exposé on findings, costings and projections done by the Zonal Secretary General and a moment of brainstorming by delegates, the Zone agreed to start off with 500 copies printed in A3 hard paper format, with cost per copy estimated at 300frs, and each printed copy to sell at 500frs. Legend Digital Studios Buea was the printing house chosen. The budget adopted for the project stood at 150,000CFA francs. Sunday, December 16, 2018 was set aside for the launching of the finished product, with PCC Bomaka as host of the event, while the 2019 Sunday School, YP and CYF rallies and other to-be-selected congregations were to further serve for publicity and marketing of the product. Groups were given November 30, 2018 as deadline to submit pictures of their group activities and presidents for the almanac, while pictures of Zonal executives, Youth Department officers at all the levels and PCC officials were also to be collected by the same date. Members were encouraged to buy and own copies of the almanac and to publicise it in every way possible, for charity begins at home. A tenman committee was set up to manage the project, made up of Brosis Nkwenti Lionel (General Coordinator), Ubanako Isaac (Zonal Publicity Secretary), Rene Soh (Zonal Financial Secretary), Abamboh Emmanuel (Zonal Treasurer), Tualack Lionel, Ngwa Kingsley (CYF Bomaka), Sone Boldwin, Tabi Tabot Manyi, Eweli Sandrine and Buh Joycelyne.

* **Zonal Calendar of Activities 2019**: The following calendar was adopted;

DATE	ACTIVITY	VENUE	
January 12	Zonal Representatives	P.C Mautu	
	Meeting I		
February 16 – 17	Presbytery Rally/CYF	P.C Buea Station	
	Diamond Jubilee		
April 06	Zonal Retreat	P.C Muea	
May 11	Zonal Representatives	P.C Bolifamba	
	Meeting II		
June to July	Entrepreneurship Seminar	P.C Molyko	
	(two days)		

September 22	Zonal Come-together	P.C Ekona Town	
November 12	Zonal Representatives	P.C Bokwai	
	Meeting III		
October to December	Zonal Sports Competition	Venues to be decided	
December (eve of Zonal	Outreach	Selected rehabilitation centre	
Games closing)			

Groups were called upon to suspend all dedications till after the CYF Diamond Jubilee celebration which was coupled with the annual rally, so as to devote resources to celebrate the dual event in grand style and give it the grandeur it deserved. In line with this, members were encouraged to acquire the new "dove" national social wear of the CYF which was to serve as the sole official attire for the celebration, without which members would not be allowed to participate in the rally activities. Members were shown picture samples of the uniform and the patterns explained.

In relation, the Zonal G.R urged members to strictly respect the specifications of the CYF official uniform to ensure order and uniformity and to avoid consequent embarrassments.

Group reports were submitted but were not read due to time constraint. However, the ZOCO gave room for groups to raise any pressing issues they may have in the reports for discussion. Meanwhile, groups that did not comply were asked to pay their fines of 500frs accordingly.

8. FINANCE

The Zonal Financial Secretary, Elder Rene Soh presented the Zone's statement of accounts dating from the meeting of 10 June 2018, which had the following statistics:

- Balance brought forward = 340,075frs
- Income = 354,775frs
- Expenditure = 72,650frs
- Balance = 282,125 frs

It was also revealed that all groups were owing the Zone stationery and feeding fees for 2018. CYF Bolifamba promised to pay subsequently, while CYF Bomaka pledged to pay during the next meeting. Groups were asked to settle their debts, and advised to always use MTN Mobile Money to pay their contributions when they cannot meet the quarters concerned physically.

9. INFORMATION

We received the following information about groups of the Zone:

- CYF Molyko to visit CYF New Town Airport Douala from 30 November to 02 December, 2018. A couple from the group was to wed on December 8, 2018 at PCC Molyko.
- CYF Muea experiencing a drastic drop in attendance due to the crisis, with most displaced members still to return. Group just praying to God for help while trying to rally and keep members together.
- CYF Bokwai becoming vibrant again as members were gradually returning from hide-outs, and more fish caught during dedication of 18 members in August 2018.
- CYF Bomaka not very stable as several backbone members left for greener pastures. They also looked forward to a sporting encounter with CYF Great Soppo- Buea. CYF Bomaka also invited the Zone to their end-of-year party on November 25 and Annual General Meeting (AGM) on December 1, 2018.

- CYF Bolifamba experiencing tension in their Mile 16 area, with many members on the run, and no group meetings for a long time. Group President Bro. Anumbun Denis blessed with a baby boy. The group was looking forward to launching their volume 2 music album hopefully some time in December, and hold an AGM on December 29, 2018.
- CYF Ekona Town grounded, as virtually no activity was going on at Ekona, not even church services, and their pastor had even relocated to Limbe. There was a call for extreme caution when visiting that area, and to dress well and to unfailingly carry one's identity card along.

10. CLOSING

The host Vice President, Sis. Enene Bike expressed joy and gratitude to have had her group host the Zone, and extended warm regards from the Group President, the Pastor and other Session members who were unavoidably absent. She wished us the best and offered a bite.

The Zonal Coordinator, Elder Njie Joseph Mbanda, on his part, asked all to let love prevail, especially as his five-year mandate was drawing to an end, so that there would be a peaceful transition, for CYF Buea East to remain the leading and enviable Zone it has always been. He announced that he had moved to Yaounde permanently and requested us to pray for him as he was struggling to "change from a child to a father" in his thrive for a better life and future. He announced that he had been blessed with a baby girl some months back. To round off, he decreed for the disbursement of the sum of 35,000frs for the after-meeting refreshment.

Bro. Amba Gilbert (CYF Muea) closed the meeting with a word of prayer at 12:37pm, and refreshment crowned the day. Seventeen members from six groups attended the meeting.

ATTENDANCE

S/N	NAME	GROUP	POSITION	CONTACT
1.	Garga Lifongo A.	Bokwai	President	NO. 671 953 694
2.	Tanjoh Klaus K.	Molyko	Acting Secretary General	676 340 570
3.	Ngwa Kingsley	Bomaka	Sports Secretary	676 054 960
4.	Sandrine Eweli	Bokwai	Socials Secretary	675 882 347
5.	Mendi Gitel	Bomaka	Publicity Secretary	650 583 658
6.	Fuhneh Lewis	Bomaka	President's Representative	679 993 626
7.	Tabi Tabot Manyi	Bokwai	Secretary General	671 406 722
8.	Anumbun Denis	Bolifamba	President	677 590 942
9.	Amba Gilbert	Muea	Financial Secretary	675 841 304
10.	Buh Joycelyne	Molyko	Acting Secretary General	676 817 622
11.	Tualack Lionel	Bokwai	Zonal Sports Secretary I	651 256 556
12.	Godlove Ateh David	Molyko	Member	682 862 803
13.	Nanyongo Lucy N.	Muea	Zonal Girls' Representative	675 818 560
14.	Elder Rene Soh	Ekona	Zonal Financial	675 555 879 /
		Town	Secretary	666 575 265
15.	Sone Boldwin	Muea	Secretary General	651 425 633
16.	Elder Njie Joseph Mbanda	Muea	Zonal Coordinator	679 339 881
17.	Lionel Nkwenti	Molyko	Zonal Secretary General	680 203 956

Bro. Nkwenti LionelOutgoing Secretary General

Elder Njie Joseph Mbanda Outgoing Zonal Coordinator