

MINUTES OF THE AHIMIE DESCENDANTS 2011 MEETING. 1/10/2014.

The meeting was held on the 1st of October 2014 at Uncle Joe Ahimie's house at The Cooperative Villa, Badore, Ajah at 3pm.

Present at the Meeting:

1. Uncle Joe (Coordinator)
2. Ojekhowa Ahimie
3. Elizabeth Aigoro
4. Dada Aigbokhai
5. Imonikhe Ahimie
6. Barbara Omorodion

Apologies from Ayo Ahimie.

Opening Prayer was said by Barbara. Elizabeth Aigoro read the minutes of the last meeting held on the 13/07/2014.

The Abduction for the meeting was moved by Dada and seconded by Imonikhe.

Amendment of minutes (13/07/2014)

Agenda:

- Late Pa Gabriel Ahimie's Diaries
- Family Tree
- Levies
- Ahimie Educational Foundation (Scholarship)
- Report on contribution towards Aunt Ayo's burial.

1. Late Pa Gabriel Ahimie's Diaries

The issue of the diaries owned by the late Pa Gabriel Ahimie was mentioned by Elizabeth. She said that Ahimie grandchildren would benefit from reading the diaries as it could give us an idea of our history and the type of man our grandfather was. Imonikhe agreed with her. He said the diaries had so much information and would certainly help the grandchildren to know more about their roots and their connection to other extended relatives in Sabongidda- Ora .

Uncle Joe promised to look into the matter while Imonikhe said the last time he saw the diaries was during his late grandmother's funeral in his father's room in Sabongidda- Ora.

It was also suggested that for the sake of history and in lieu of the said diaries, anybody whose parents has any information or probably have written a diary on their childhood days in Ora should please

release it to the house as this could be a good source of information for the grandchildren and the proposed website.

2. Family Tree:

Imonikhe told the house that he has started drawing up a family tree. He promised to send a copy to the coordinator for his perusal and corrections. He said he was hoping that if it is put on the website, family members would fill in the blanks with appropriate family name.

Uncle Joe showed the house a family tree he has started to draw but is yet to complete. He started the link with the Igbo and his brother Orize. It has gotten to the following: Mama Ikeke , Papa James Ajayi, Papa Israel Ojo, Mama Ukpodora, Papa Okwevbie Gabriel, Papa Imaku. What is left to fill are the names of their children and spouses

The name **Ahimie** was derived from “ Akhmiemenona”. Which literally means- “you can’t take my child away from me, even if you take away the mother”.

Ora Family Tree:

Elizabeth said she has gotten in touch with Mrs Mabel Segun’s daughter about copying the Ora family tree shown to her by Mrs Segun. This particular tree has different Ora families and their connections. She is awaiting a reply.

3. Levies:

One thousand naira minimum per month as dues was discussed and still maintained. The deadline for payment is October 15th 2014. For the months of July-Sept 2014. The dues should be paid into Uncle Joel’s account until such a time when the account for the meeting is opened.

Joel Ahimie ECOBANK ACCT NO: 1281011139(please indicate name and dues)

4. Ahimie Educational Foundation (Scholarship):

.The criteria for the Ahimie Foundation Scholarship was discussed and it was agreed that the first beneficiary of the scholarship should be an Ahimie as charity begins at home, and as a way to encourage the members of the Association especially if there is an Ahimie child who is exceptionally bright but his parents cannot afford to pay his/her school fees.

A minimum cut -off mark of 75% was agreed upon as the requirement to enable one gain the scholarship amongst other children.

Continued excellence, not falling below cut-off mark during period of course was another requirement of beneficiary.

Beneficiary must have finished the Junior Secondary School Certificate and is starting Senior School Certificate with strong recommendation of Principal of JSS class.

The foundation will see the scholarship of one student through before embarking on another.

Elizabeth was appointed to come up with recommendations for policy on Ahimie Descendants 2011 Scholarship Foundation. To be brought to the next meeting.

5. Report on Aunty Ayi's Funeral.

The list of people who contributed towards aunty Ayi's burial was read by Uncle Joe. See copy of the list of contributors at the addendum page.

General

- It was agreed that that Tolu Danjuma should register the association before the next meeting. Elizabeth Aigoro was mandated to get in touch with her.
- Ahimie Descendants in other states and Diaspora can hold meetings and plan to attend or sponsor a member to attend the Lagos chapter at least once a year or telephone during meetings.

The following people were nominated as:

Joseph Ahimie (coordinator) by late Dr. Sunday Ahimie.

Duro Eboreime(Chairman)

Barbara Omorodion. (secretary)

The meeting came to an end and the motion for adjournment was moved by Ojehkowa and was seconded by Imonikhe. The next meeting was scheduled for 8th February, 2014 by 1pm prompt.

Closing prayer was said by Uncle Joe.