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SIERRA LEONE ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL WORKERS

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN LIEU OF IFSW EXECUTIVE POSITIONS FOR NOMINATIONS 2020

The meeting was held on the 19th of May 2020 at 4 P.M at committee room three (3) of Gender Empowerment complex in the city of Freetown as approved and advertised to its membership. The executive were all present at the meeting including the majority of its membership.

George Abu Mansaray acted as chairman and that Edward Jimmy acted as secretary.

The chairman called the meeting to order and announced that a quorum was present. The chairman presented the key agenda items to include:

Opening prayers

covid19

Nominations for the African region IfSw presidency

These were approved.

The chairman in his opening remarks commended the membership of the association for their selfless service in the global fight against covid19. He implored all social workers to stand tall in the execution of their roles and be advocates in influencing policy for the wellbeing of communities. According to the chairman, it is difficult though at this trying times with youth violence overshadowing covid19 and hunger silently killing people in their various communities. This however goes unnoticed and where that is the case, nothing is done to salvage the situation.

The Chairman reiterated our commitments to continue to work through our various social work lead initiatives with compliance to the code of ethics and defending the human right of those we serve. The Chairman reminded all social workers to follow the preventative guides as provided for by the IFSW ,World Health Organization and our national government.

There was however the hue and cry over resources shortages and neglect by state authorities and the huge challenges of the lockdowns amidst misery and poverty.

It was resolved to continue to encourage social workers to discuss local strategies that befits the current situation and after. This will spur interest for the formulation of community plans that is realistic and achievable using local resources and expertise.

Openings on executive positions at the IfSw global was announced by the chairman and requested of its membership to apply. The Chairman's announcement was received with excitement by the membership which allowed for series of consultations in smaller groups to nominate the President of our national association for the IFSW Africa Region presidency. The meeting spanned for almost two hours to endorse George mansaray's nomination and consensually making the proclamation for the attention of the executive body of IFSW global. This was however consensually agreed and endorsed by the membership at this meeting with George Mansaray's approval. The membership realizes the effort of Mr. Mansaray in promoting the profession locally and internationally and thinks its befitting to take on the Africa region presidency position. The president assured us that he will go for it as has what it takes to promote the profession in the great region and even beyond.

Other matters that were discussed were on food rations and health care deliveries for disadvantaged communities during this covid19 as a first step and then agricultural support to grow their food and help stabilize their unbearable conditions.

The promotion and use of indigenous knowledge was encouraged as well as supporting local community enterprises as a way to help their business thrive during and after covid19.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the same was adjourned.

Edward Jimmy

Abu Mansaray (George)

Signed: 

Signed: 

Secretary General

President

ATTENDANCE LIST

George Mansaray

Fatmata Bangura

Mameh suma

Edward Jimmy

Fatmata k. Kamara

Amara Kamara

Mustapha morba sheku turay

Adama Mansaray

Momoh kargbo

Mohamed sidique bundu

Eillue Bangura

Fatmata Sanu sesay

Mohamed Foday Sheriff

Michael Sam

William Bernard sam

Mohamed Lamin kamara

Adama Mahoi

Francess Jones

Adikalie kamara

Mabel Clarissa Patnelli

James moses

Violet Bright

Abu B. Kanu

Philip Moses

John Peters	Salifu Sillah	Mustapha S. Mansaray
Foday Suma	Mustapha Sillah	Kadiatu Kamara
Mamoud Kamara	Abu Sillah	Mariatu Kamara
Bai Yik Kamara	Sheku Kanu	Hassan Kanu
Kelfala Suma	Alhassan Kamara	Idrissa Koroma
Fatu Dumbuya	Fatu Keister	Ayodele Babayemi
Asiata Akinyemi	Abdul Rasak	Miatta Koroma
Mariama G. Bendu	Abu M. Turay	Momodu Kamara
Foday Sesay	Almalake Sesay	Nmah yillah Suma
Alimatu Keister	Francesca Wilson	Brian Conteh
Paul Kpnau	Ayiah James	Ibrahim Bai Conteh
John Papa Koroma	Aminata Mimi Sam	Alfred Samura
Joseph Samura	Wilfred John	Kandeh Turay
Adamu conteh	Alhassan Konneh	Fatmata sawaneh
Susan Yajah	Mary kargbo	Naureen Boothe
Malcolm Boothe	Tenneh Mansaray	Mohamed Konneh
Beatrice Jonah	Olive Jim Rowe	Francis Onyekwe