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***ISI ALUMNI***

**GETOGETHER MEETING MINUTES**

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Meeting Date: [04/03/2017](#)

Meeting Location: Terra Kulture, Plot 1376, Tihamiyu Savage,  
Off Ahmadu Bello Way, Victoria Island, Lagos

Recorded By: [Yemi Soyibo](#)



## 1 ATTENDANCE

No	Name	Designation
1	Tive Ekpere	President
2	Yemi Soyibo	General Secretary
3	Akindele Phillips	Treasurer
4	Ojo Oluwakemi	-
5	Anozie Thelma	-
6	Fagbolagun Folakemi	-
7	Akintayo Oloko	-
8	Bimbola Bodede	-
9	Kunle Oshobi	-
10	Wole Sotire	-
11	Adeniran T Arimoro	-
12	Ugoji Chinwe	-
13	Ejerenwa Lauretta	-
14	Ademola Ogunfolu	-
15	Abisola Oladosu	-
16	Michael Imomoh	-
17	(Kehinde) Oluwagbemiga Akinseye	-
18	Mariam Olafuyi	-
19	Princess Aberefia Ngei	-
20	Neile Darl - Uzu	-
21	Alfred Adekola Adepoju	-

## 2 AGENDA

No	Agenda
1	Updates of ISI activities
2	New Board of Trustees Nomination
3	Programmes, Plans and Events for 2017
6	Any Other Business (AOB)

## 3 ACTIVITY

- The meeting officially commenced at 6:00pm

### A. Updates of ISI activities

- Mr Tive Ekpere welcomed everyone thanking them for attending the meeting.
- He provided a summary of the progress of the Alumni body since inception. He explained that the Alumni Association over the years had grown and gained momentum by identifying smaller Alumni group's especially yearly

sets and working with them. The Alumni body has an executive team as well as a board of trustees providing oversight function.

- Mr Tive Ekpere summarized the major points to be discussed as in the agenda

#### **B. Board of Trustees Nomination**

- Mr Tive Ekpere explained the need to nominate and elect new members to the Board of Trustees (BoT) as the previous board's tenure ended December 2016.
- He stated that an email was sent to the former members of the BoT informing them of the expiration of their tenure and also seeking for members who would want to renew their membership and tenure to the BoT. No member signified interest to seek nomination and extend his/her tenure
- He explained that the annual dinner held last year was not an appropriate occasion for the confirmation of new members but some nominations were made.
- Mr Tive Ekpere further stated that the Alumni Association has two slots on the Board of ISI. The school has gotten in touch with the Association to formally fill the slots. This is an avenue to allow the Alumni contribute to decisions taken concerning the school. He further explained that the PTA of the school and the University of Ibadan have representatives on the board.
- The ISIAA hopes to have its representative on the board of the school as soon as possible.
- Nomination of the names to the BoT commenced.
- After the end of nominations, Mr Yemi Soyibo asked if there were still other nominations to the board of trustees. There were no nominations.
- Mr Tive Ekpere read out the names of those nominated at this meeting to the BoT. They are:
  1. Eng. Ibikunle Ogunbayo
  2. Mr Wale Oshin
  3. Mrs. Nimi Akinkugbe
  4. Ms. Ore Sofekan
  5. Mr Wole Sotire
  6. Pastor Ayo Otuyalo
  7. Mr Akintayo Oloko
- All nominees received unanimous support by show of hands

#### **C. Programmes, Plans and Events for 2017**

- Projects
  1. Mr Tive Ekpere briefed us on how the ISIAA worked on a water project in 2016. This included fixing the plumbing and toilet fittings of some parts of the school.
  2. Mr Tive Ekpere reminded members about the Fajembola Science Center. It is the construction of a Modern Science Laboratory for the school. This was announced during the annual dinner event in December 2016. He explained further that it was one of the projects penned down at the 50th Anniversary ceremony. The center is to be in honour of Mr Fajembola who many members of the Alumni term as one of the best teachers ISI ever had. Late Mr. Fajembola was a Biology teacher. The Fajembola family had requested that the Alumni body work with them on this project. The plan was initially to renovate the old biology laboratory. However, a visit to the school revealed that the old laboratory is inadequate as it can only take 20-30 students at a

time. It is also not conducive for examination purposes. The school had initially suggested that the current laboratory be raised by adding a new floor but this suggestion was not feasible. The Fajembola family contacted an architect to review the options. The architect came back after meeting with the school authorities. The conclusion was that it will be more cost effective to build a new science laboratory to house biology, physics and chemistry since the old laboratories had become inadequate. The model/design of the proposed lab was presented at the annual dinner in 2016. The new lab will be a Science Laboratory accommodating all sciences. The architect provided his services pro bono, being a friend of the Fajembola family.

3. Mr Tive Ekpere further explained that three teams will be required for this project-
    - Fund Raising Team
    - Project Management Team
    - Materials Supplies Team (books, furniture, chemicals, lab equipment etc).
  4. Mr Tive Ekpere appealed to everyone to get involved by joining one the teams. The design of the new lab will be sent to everyone. The Fajembola family already provided one million Naira as seed money. The project is to cost approximately N66m. It could be less if we are able to get contributions in kind
  5. Mr Tive Ekpere requested interested members to put down their names with Mr. Akindele Phillips (the Treasurer). He further mentioned that Eng. Ibikunle Ogunbayo has volunteered to take care of some of the engineering works as his contribution to the project.
  6. Mrs. Abisola Oladosu recommended that the association use existing chat groups of different sets for awareness so as to collect monies needed and the minimum annual levy. She explained further that this will help to reach out to more members. The smaller groups might also be able to donate in bulk. She explained that her set embarked on a project at ISI some years ago and they used the expertise of members on that project especially for project materials needed to be supplied. She emphasized the need to follow up with the school management to ensure that facilities are used for the purpose for which they were provided.
- Business/Mentoring Programme
    1. Mr Tive Ekpere stated that a mentoring programme will be launched in 2017
    2. Mr Yemi Soyibo further explained that the benefits include job opportunities. He explained that we are all one person away from who can help us get what we need. He mentioned that there is a disconnect between the early generation of alumni and that of later years. Dr. Segun Oshin has accepted to champion the Business/Mentoring initiative. The programme is still a work in progress and will be discussed properly at the next meeting. The programme will also afford access to Human Resource professionals who work with HR firms and are members of the Alumni. CVs of Alumni who require jobs will be sent to them. Mr Akintayo Oloko and Ms. Mariam Olafuyi are working with Mr Yemi Soyibo on this programme.
  - Annual Dues
    1. The ISIAA needs members to pay annual dues so that the association can support itself. The association had been dependent on donations from some members which are used for projects, operations and for funding programs. The agreed annual membership dues per annum is

N5,000 for recent Alumni (within 5 years post graduation) and N10,000 for others.

2. Mr Tive Ekpere mentioned that the association needs volunteers to run and monitor the dues collection. He explained that the association also needs an operational team. One of the duties of the operational team will be communication management.
- 2017 Annual Dinner
    1. Mr Tive Ekpere said early planning of this year's dinner is very important as it will provide members ample time to plan and attend. He requested that members interested in planning should let Mr Akindele Phillips know of their interest. The committee is usually made up of members from different sets.

#### **D. Any Other Business (AOB)**

- Attendance
  1. Mr Kunle Oshobi mentioned that attendance at the meetings appeared poor. He encouraged the body to implement strategies that will get more members informed and involved.
  2. There was a general debate on effective platforms that can be used in communicating meetings and events. Mr Michael Imomoh suggested that the benefits of attending our events be shared with the smaller bodies to encourage attendance. According to him, his first job after University came from attending a smaller ISI Alumni group meeting.
  3. Mr Gbenga Akinseye expressed his belief that the Alumni body is still at its infancy as compared to other schools whose associations are well established. He is of the opinion that the association is trying and suggested that all members present should make it a point of duty to try to bring two persons each to the next meeting. The suggestion was seconded by Princess Aberefia Ngei. She said we all should also follow up and remind those we invite.
  4. Mrs. Abisola Oladosu suggested that the association should consider using initiatives like a Soiree to get more members on board.
  5. A charity walk was also discussed
- Mr Niran Arimoro raised the motion for adjournment of the meeting and it was supported by all.
- The meeting officially ended at 7:30pm and all gathered together to continue with networking and dinner.

The meeting/get-together was sponsored by Mr. Wole Sotire. Special thanks to him and the Alumni Association is extremely grateful.