

UNIVERSITY OF DAR ES SALAAM

CONVOCATION

MINUTES OF THE 33RD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CONVOCATION HELD ON 28TH NOVEMBER 2003 AT LANDMARK HOTEL (UBUNGO).

ATTENDANCE:

Refer to the attached attendance list

PRELIMINARIES:

CONFIRMED the quorum

OPENED the meeting at 12.05 p.m.

ADOPTED the agenda

**ITEM NO. 1 OF THE AGENDA: To RECEIVE and CONFIRM minutes of the
32nd Annual General Meeting of the Convocation.**

Minute no. 270

270.1 **RECEIVED and CONFIRMED** minutes of the 32nd Convocation
Annual General Meeting subject to the following corrections:

- Under preliminaries, the meeting was opened at 12.58 p.m.

**ITEM NO. 2 OF THE AGENDA: Matters Arising from the Minutes of the 32nd
Annual General Meeting.**

Minute no. 271

271.1 **2002/2003 Convocation Audited Report**

271.1.1 **REPORTED** that the 2002/2003 Convocation Audited Report will be
presented under agenda no. 6.

ITEM NO. 3 OF THE AGENDA: The Report on the Activities of the Convocation for the Period November 2002 to November 2003.

Minute no. 272.

- 272.1 **REPORTED** that during the year under review, the activities of the Convocation were conducted through the Convocation Executive Committee and its three sub-committees, namely the Convocation Activities Committee, the Convocation Publications Committee and the University of Dar es Salaam Academic Assembly Committee.
- 272.2 **REPORTED** that the University of Dar es Salaam Academic Staff Assembly Committee activities will be presented in a separate agenda.
- 272.3 **REPORTED** that the Convocation office sought more graduates names through Graduate Up-date form posted on the Convocation website, and this year the Convocation made it a requirement for graduants to fill the graduate update forms.
- 272.4 **REPORTED** that the proceedings of the 4th Convocation Symposium on "*The State of Multiparty Politics in Tanzania: The Pitfalls and Lessons from 2000 General Election and The Way Forward*" were delayed due to unavoidable circumstances and comments from the reviewer were submitted to Dr. E. G. Mtaló.
- 272.5 **REPORTED** that the 2003 Convocation Symposium on "*Going Beyond Rhetoric: Why is Tanzania Still Poor Forty Years After Independence?*" took place on 15th and 16th May 2003 at the Diamond Jubilee Hall in Dar es Salaam.

- 272.6 **REPORTED** that the Convocation Symposium Organizing Committee consisted of eight members who mobilized resources with the support follow up letters by the President of the Convocation, His Excellency J. V. Mwapachu and the University of Dar es Salaam Vice Chancellor, Prof. M. L. Luhanga to various institutions.
- 272.7 **REPORTED** that the said committee secured six donors, namely, The Royal Swedish Embassy, the Vice President's Office (URT), Tanga Cement Company Limited, the University of Dar es Salaam, PriceWaterHouseCoopers, and Tanzania Telecommunication Company Limited.
- 272.8 **REPORTED** that more than 200 people attended the Symposium including Convocation members, representatives from NGO's, representatives from political parties, Secondary students, Journalists and general members of the public.
- 272.9 **REPORTED** that the committee is now compiling Symposium papers, producing symposium proceedings booklet (manuscript) and making follow up on symposium recommendations.
- 272.10 **REPORTED** that the Convocation was awarded a Certificate of Participation in 17th Dar es Salaam International Trade Fair, 2003 issued by the Board of External Trade (BET) due to the role played in publicizing/marketing the University of Dar es Salaam.
- 272.11 **REPORTED** that the 79th Convocation Executive Committee Meeting approved the names of new members of the Convocation Publications Committee.

- 272.12 **REPORTED** that the Convocation has been allocated with Tshs. 10,000,000/= to support various Convocation activities aimed at promoting University of Dar es Salaam. **NOTED** that this year the allocation of funds is twice the amount allocated in the year 2002/2003.
- 272.13 **THANKED** the University of Dar es Salaam administration for providing the funds to run the Convocation activities.
- 272.14 **QUESTIONED** on whether the Convocation had written letters to the donors appreciating their contributions.
- 272.15 **REPORTED** that letters acknowledging the contributions were written immediately after every receipt.
- 272.16 **AGREED** that the 2003 Convocation Symposium Organising Committee should compile a final report at the end of the project and submit the same to the donors who had sponsored the symposium.
- 272.17 **OBSERVED** a one minute silence in remembrance of the late Prof. A. S. Kiondo who was a member of the Convocation.

ITEM NO. 4 OF THE AGENDA: Convocation Rolling Strategic Plan 2003/05 – 2008/09.

Minute no. 273

- 273.1 **RECEIVED** the Convocation Rolling Strategic Plan 2004/5 – 2008/9.

- 273.2 **NOTED** that the aim of the Convocation Five Year Rolling Strategic Plan was to enable the Convocation to plan its activities in accordance with the University of Dar es Salaam Strategic Plan.
- 273.3 **COMMENDED** the team that made consultations with variety of documents, stakeholders and documented the experiences from other institutions and alumni associations. **FURTHER THANKED** Dr. L. M. Mboma and Prof. A. G. Ishumi for their time and work towards the development of this document.
- 273.4 **APPROVED** the Convocation Rolling Strategic Plan 2004/05 – 2008/09 and **AGREED** that if anyone would like to provide additional comments he/she should present the same directly to the team members.

ITEM NO. 5 OF THE AGENDA: University of Dar es Salaam Academic Staff Assembly Annual Report.

Minute no. 274

- 274.1 **RECEIVED** the Annual Report of the University of Dar es Salaam Academic Staff Assembly (UDASA).
- 274.2 **INFORMED** that after a long lapse of time without holding regular General Assembly Meetings, University of Dar es Salaam Academic Staff Assembly held such a meeting on 29th April 2003.
- 274.3 **INFORMED** that University of Dar es Salaam Academic Staff Assembly held elections which brought in new leadership comprising of the following:
1. Prof. C. S. L. Chachage - Chairperson

