

April 23 2010 minutes:

First meeting was with Prince from MCA:

Present: Darlington, Edward.

1. All planning for WASA must be done well in advance of time.
2. WASA should increase collaboration with other RSOs on campus.
3. Venues for events in the coming academic year especially those to be done in the union must be done no later than mid May.
4. WASA must come up with a budget and start asking for money from departments before end of this financial year – June.
5. Have people sign up when they come for the WASA dinner during the African Awareness Week and ask for donations during the dinner.
6. Come up with a huge project for WASA, for example pick an African family, in a country in Africa and fundraise to support that family.
7. Work with the Campus Activities Center.

Our weekly meeting:

Present: Darlington Sabasi, Edward Offei and Odion - 20 minutes late.

Excused: Alex – Working, Omo – Not feeling well, Chumba – working.

Discussed:

1. T-shirts debt to be finalized with on Monday April 25 by Tesfaye, Edward, Darlington.
2. Drumming on Thursday night in Cheyene at a Geography Fair.
3. Tesfaye, Meron to hand over a/c to Darlington and Robert on Monday April 25.
4. Replace the broken “thing” for drumming.

Proposed events and activities for the coming year:

1. Purchasing of drums for WASA and burner for WASA.
2. Monthly meetings for all WASA members the first weekend of every month starting September welcoming incoming WASA members.
3. Formation of Sub - Committees for Treasurer, Public Relations and Constitution Review/coming up with a new constitution – Vice President will be in charge of the constitution committee.
4. Communication with all WASA members so we know who we have and have them contribute to WASA
5. Contact all incoming students from Africa/Africans before they come and give them information they require or answer any questions they may have – connect them with other students from their respective countries already at UW. Meet with the new students during orientation week.
6. Constitution amendment/making.

7. WASA website up and running and a fortnightly bulletin about what will be happening in WASA – President in collaboration with public relations will be in charge.
8. Calendar, budget and fundraising activities in place before end of 2010 Spring semester.
9. At least one community service each semester.
10. One WASA group trip each semester.
11. Successfully host the WASA awareness week.
12. Collaborate with other RSO's on campus, around Wyoming, NASA, ISS, UMC and the African American and Diaspora Studies Department.
13. Work hand in hand with older members of WASA and have them contribute to WASA's well being.
14. One huge project to support Africa.

Fundraising activities suggested:

1. Soccer Fiesta in September fall semester.
2. Find if there are WASA members going for the summer and ask them to bring African regalia e.g. bids, bangles, fashion stuff and so forth for resale and raise money for WASA -Odion promises to ask her parents to bring some when they come in May.
3. Talk to departments and see if they have any work WASA can help with and get some money.