

EKO BOYS HIGH SCHOOL OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION (EKOBA)

REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION HELD ONLINE ON SUNDAY 21ST MAY, 2023.

The Trustees,
President,
Executive Committee Members,
Past Officers,
Distinguished Ekorians,

Administration

Following the Annual General Meeting of EKOBA National held on 27th March 2022 and the inauguration of the executive committee on the same day as well as the filling of the legal adviser position later, the following officers have been running the affairs of EKOBA:

EKOBA NATIONAL EXECUTIVES 2022		
<i>NAMES</i>	<i>POSITION</i>	<i>SET</i>
EKORIAN ELLIOT, KAYODE OLAWUNMI	President	E'81
EKORIAN (ENGR) ADESOLA BABATUNDE	1 st Vice President	E'87
EKORIAN NURUDEEN, TITO GANIYU	2 nd Vice President	E'74
EKORIAN (ENGR) OSIBODU BABATUNDE OLADELE	General Secretary	E'79
EKORIAN(DR) OLOKODANA FEMI	1 st Asst. Gen. Sec.	E'83
EKORIAN ONATUNDE OLUWASEGUN ADEOLA	2 nd Asst. Gen. Sec.	E'93
EKORIAN OYETUNDE OLUWASEUN	Auditor	E'00
EKORIAN ADERIBIGBE OLAWALE ADEKUNLE	Treasurer	E'74
EKORIAN ONASANYA OLUWASEGUN JELILI	Social Secretary	E'93
EKORIAN SAIBU OLUGBENGA MODUPE	Asst. Social Sec.	E'95
EKORIAN OLUWABIYI, TEMITOPE SAMUEL	Pub. Sec./PRO	E'00
EKORIAN (DR) ATIONU, HENRY UKO	Welfare Officer	E'84
EKORIAN ONATOYE OLUFEMI DANIEL	Financial Secretary	E'94
EKORIAN BARR FAKOYA BABATUNDE	Legal Adviser	E'81
Presidents and Secretaries of Service Clubs	Ex-Officio Members	All Sets

The Executive Committee identified some issues to be given priority by our administration viz:

- 1.1 Ejection of Illegal occupants and approval of development of hall at EBHS
Mushin
- 1.2 Security of the Mushin Campus School premises
- 1.3 Review of EKOBA subsisting constitution
- 1.4 Quality and content of Education and inauguration of subcommittee to lead our
contribution.

- 1.5 Education needs of the school (Part time teaching staff for key subjects particularly to achieve STEM Education)
- 1.6 Filling the Position of Legal Adviser
- 1.7 Harmonization of all campaign promises made and development of action plan for implementation.
- 1.8 Review of proposed EBHS Masterplan and surveys available and identification of what more needs to be done.
- 1.9 Review of the Mushin Campus School Hall plans, E-Block plans and Entrance gate remodeling plans and aligning with the current Lagos state school development plans.
- 1.10 Submission of Mushin Campus School Hall plans, E-Block plans and Entrance Gate Remodeling plans for LASG review / approval
- 1.11 Fund Raising Events
- 1.12 Expected Date for foundation laying.
- 1.13 Contact or Liaison with EBHS / Service Clubs
- 1.14 Abijo Project Site Fencing update

Ejection of Illegal occupants of the former Dining Hall.

Working with EKOBANA and the State Government, the illegal occupants of the old Dining Hall have been dislodged paving way for the foundation laying of the school hall re-construction by EKOBANA

Constitution review and amendment

A Constitution review sub-committee chaired by Ekorian Barrister Babatunde Fakoya was put in place and inaugurated on 1st May 2022. The committee has been meeting and gone far with the assignment. Proposals for the review have been presented to the Executive Council before and comments requested from Service clubs. Further presentation will be made to the Executive Council before being brought to the General meeting for ratification.

Quality and content of Education and inauguration of subcommittee

The subcommittee chaired by the National 1st Vice President – Ekorian Babatunde Adesola has the following mandate:

- a. Research the quality and content of EBHS education.
- b. Retrieve results of graduating students from the school in the last decade, identify present level, identify gaps, and put structures in place to instigate meaningful improvement in the content of education being offered by the school with emphasis on STEM education.
- c. Author a roadmap that outlines how to ensure future Ekorians are in the top 1% of graduates worldwide.
- d. Create an updatable dashboard that includes measurement yardstick.
- e. Design a program whereby Ekorians can give-back by
 - Teaching: Subject matter expertise is a requirement
 - Motivating and inspiring future Ekorians to reach out for the stars.

Preparation of Proposed EBHS Masterplan and conduct of Perimeter and Topographical Survey of the Mushin Campus

Following the identification of the need for Detailed perimeter and topographical Survey of the Mushin Campus land, this was done pro-bono by Ekorian Surveyor Alabi Subair. This formed the basis of a masterplan for all proposed developments as done pro-bono by Ekorian Architect Erinle. The masterplan has been presented and reviewed by the national executive council before being presented to the Commissioner of Education for review and approval.

We appreciate the wonderful contribution of Ekorians Alabi Subair, Ekorian Arc Erinle and indeed all members of the masterplan review committee for the wonderful effort put into delivering the assignment and thank them on behalf of EKOBA and indeed all Ekorians.

Review of the E-Block plans and aligning with the current Lagos state school development plans

As part of the campaign promises of this administration, a review of the design of the proposed E-Block was carried out before submitting to the state Government and comments received have been implemented for final sign-off and approval of the Ministry of Education. The commissioner for Education however requested that we present a masterplan for the Mushin Campus and complete the hall that has earlier been approved before they will be willing to complete the processing of the E-Block approval.

Remodeling of the two Mushin Campus entrance gates

Following the provision of some funding by the family of Late Ekorian Lawrence family in consideration of the request to name the Labinjo entrance gate after their father, the construction of the Labinjo entrance gate has started on site. The two entrance gates have been fabricated already and delivered to site before now.

110th Founders Day Anniversary Celebrations

As part of the celebrations, a memorial lecture in remembrance of the founding fathers of the school was delivered by eminent personalities including Ekorian Babatunde Raji Fashola SAN, CON, Minister of Works and Housing, Ekorian Dr Kola Ibiroga and Mr Femi Adesina, OON, Senior Special Adviser to the President on Media. The Memorial lecture took place at the Mushin Campus immediately after the Church Service held at Methodist Church Nigeria, Palm Avenue, Mushin Lagos.

EKOBA National Communications

We have EKOBA GLOBAL OFFICIAL on Telegrams for official EKOBA Communications while EKOBA GLOBAL SOCIAL on Telegrams is for all other information particularly for our social interactions.

EKOBA Website (www.ekoba.org) is also well within our control and payment for hosting the website has been paid.

Membership:

EKOBA National Executive Council Platform and Number of Registered Service Clubs

As part of the Executive Committee decision to carry all members along in all exco decisions, It was agreed that we continue with the executive council platform that was handed over by the last

executive committee with all elected executives as well as ex officio members, that is, registered service club Presidents and Secretaries already in place.

As Service clubs change their executives, the new exco members were added.

The number of Service clubs registered with EKOBA is 31 as at May 2023. We maintain a register of the service club exco members' names, role and telephone numbers for use as may be necessary.

EKOBA National Membership Register

In addition to identifying the executives of the various service clubs and including their Presidents and Secretaries in all scheduled meetings of the National Exco through the above exco platform, as required by the constitution, provision of information for updating EKOBA National membership Register should continue to be provided by service clubs

Service Club/Individual Interventions

The National Association is grateful to the following service Clubs/Individuals amongst others for their positive interventions in the life of the school;

EKOBA North America for the intervention in the security of the school premises and employing 2 additional guards to man the gates to the school. Also, for the proposed redevelopment of the Dining Hall into a multi-purpose school hall. The School hall construction is well on course and we were able to use the hall for the part of the events of the founders day celebrations for 2023.

BODAS 70 for the Proposed Re-modelling and renovation of the old school Hostel into a block of flats for EBHS staff use.

E'80 for the supply of books as well as other amenities for the classrooms and offices.

E'78 for facilitating the delivery of a library being done on behalf of the Federal Ministry of Works at the Mushin Campus.

E'2005 for the donation of JAMB form to EBHS students

Ekorian Arc Kolawole Erinle for donating the design of the two entrance gates to EKOBA free of charge.

Appreciate all Ekorians that contributed to the provision of a sizable number of blazers and ties as co-ordinated by EKOBA National for the students with a view to improving the corporate look of the students.

We appreciate all Ekorians that partnered with the EKOBA National to underwrite the feeding of all our students, Ekorians and guests who attended EBHS 110 Anniversary celebration.

E89 for donation of 2000 exercise books to EBHS students as part of the celebration of 2023 founders day.

E83, E68/72, E93 for making financial contribution to the success of the 2023 founders day celebration.

Abijo Update

The Lagos State Government had completed a Block of 18 classrooms on the site, but this could not be used as planned due to several factors including security of the facility and encroachment on the land. The Government has however retrieved the land and dislodged those encroaching and had commenced the fencing of the 4 hectares of land.

Social / Welfare

We appreciate all members for their voluntary donation towards support to the Senior school principal Mr Lasisi when he lost his wife. Also, for support to Snr Aderibigbe on the loss of his wife

Finance

The Service clubs financial standing are as follows:

Service clubs who are yet to pay 2022 Dues are EKOPA Europe, E00, E03, E05 and E07.

Service clubs who are yet to pay 2023 Dues are EKOPA Europe, E89, E94, E75, E78, E91, E97, E96, E93, E92, E68/72, E61, E95, E61'5, E99, E03, E05 and E07

The Financial Secretary will be giving a detailed report of the Association's finances during this meeting.

Transitions

During the years 2022/2023, some of our esteemed colleagues departed this world. EKOPA was represented at their obsequies and both moral and physical supports were rendered to their families. Included are the following:

Ekorian Micheal Ayodele Ogunyale E78 & Ekorian William Motolani Griffin

May I request that we observe a Minute's silence in their honour.

We pray that the Lord shall grant them eternal rest and grant their families as well as the EKOPA family the fortitude to bear the loss Amen.

CONCLUSION

This is to thank our BOT Chairman, other members of the BOT, the National President and every member of the national exco, all our Elders and Seniors as well as all Ekorians for the sterling effort in contributing to the improvements we have had in the image of EKOPA and EBHS.

As we look forward to the 2nd year of our tenure, please permit me the license to admonish us all to ensure that we never allow the "embers" of the fire of EBHS that gave us the requisite foundation for whatever we are today to die but that we do all that we can to ensure that it is fanned by the grace of God to that "undying flame" that the Founders saw that day in January 13 1913. Ekorians must rise to the task of re-building our School.

Thank you and God bless you all.

'IN DOMINO CONIDIMUS'

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NATIONAL GENERAL SECRETARY**