

UBAANA NEWS



News and updates from the members and friends of the University of Benin Alumni Association of North America

New York/New Jersey Hosts Reunion

All Systems Go! 56 days to the Annual UBAANA Reunion

Fellow UBAANAites,

According to the countdown clock on the UBAANA.org website we have less than 60 days to go to the 11th annual UBAANA reunion. Yes, Indeed!! Time waits for no one. The good news is, we are ready for you.

The **31st of May deadline** to take advantage of the special 100-dollar reunion registration rate is here! If you have not done so please go to www.UBAANA.org to register for the reunion and book your hotel room. This will save you money and will also allow us to plan accordingly.

Why wait till July to book your tickets? The 31st of May deadline to take advantage of the special 100-dollar reunion registration rate is fast approaching. If you have not done so please go to www.UBAANA.org to register for the reunion and book your hotel room. This will save you money and will also allow us to plan accordingly.

Why wait till July to book your tickets? Do it now!

Our recommendation is that you fly into the Newark (EWR) airport. There is a free airport shuttle provided by the Hotel. No need to rent a car or pay for a Taxi!! The hotel is less than 5 miles from the airport.

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Midwest Chapter Elects New Officers

At its May 14, 2016 quarterly meeting the UBAANA Midwest (Chicago) chapter elected a new slate of executive officers. The swearing in ceremony will be held at the start of the next quarterly general meeting in August.

- CHAIR – Mr. Lionel Osaretin Osaghae (marvdede@yahoo.com)
- SECRETARY – Chief Paul Osaro Idemudia (idemsbee2@yahoo.com)
- TREASURER – Mrs. Joy Obi-Ebhomielen (joy.ebhomielen@gmail.com)
- PRO/WELFARE OFFICER – Mr. Olaleye Oronsaye (olaoronsaye@yahoo.com)

Congratulations to the new EXCO. Thank you for stepping up to the plate! Thanks also to the outgoing EXCO ably led by chair John Kadiri! Well done!



(L-R) Mr. Olaleye Oronsaye, Mr. Lionel Osaghae, Mrs. Joy Obi-Ebhomielen & Chief Paul Idemudia

From the President's Desk

Dear UBAANAites,

Invitation to Participate in the 11th UBAANA Reunion in Newark, NJ July 22 - 24, 2016

As the world prepares in earnest for the upcoming XXXI Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil from August 5 - 21, 2016, we can all remember the Olympic creed and know that the essence of the game is the participation and not the winning. Please come participate in the 11th UBAANA Annual Reunion, and be a part of the process.

The “torch” for this reunion was passed on to the New York/New Jersey Chapter in Miami, Florida, host of the 10th UBAANA Reunion July 22-24, 2015. Riding on the heels of the successful Reunion in Miami, the NY/NJ Chapter is poised to welcome UBAANA members and guests to the **Garden State** for what promises to be a fun-filled and memorable convention at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, Newark, New Jersey.

The Reunion organizing committee, led by Chairperson Stella Aduba, eagerly awaits you, your family and your friends. We urge you, if you have not already done so, to please complete plans to participate in the 11th Reunion: Pay your Annual Chapter and UBAANA dues; register for the reunion; book your airfare (if you are traveling by air), and reserve your hotel accommodation. Early registration enables the planning committee to effectively and efficiently prepare for your arrival; make arrangements with vendors, and book services and food from providers. Last minute expansion of services may be more expensive or altogether unavailable. We all remember running out of tour bus space at the Miami Reunion because of an influx of late registration. We do not want to have this happen again.

Early registration deadline for the reunion is May 31, 2016 in order to take advantage of the early bird registration fee of \$100.00. After May 31st, registration fees go up. Don't be caught in the late registration batch. Register today at: www.ubaana.org

Our 2013-2016 Members of the Board of Directors will be rounding off their 3year-term at this year's reunion. Elections will take place for five new Board Members who will take over from the five current members whose terms are running out. Nomination information for candidates willing to serve for the next three years as Board Members has been circulated by the Electoral committee.

“The business and affairs of UBAANA shall be managed by the Board of Directors and it shall be their responsibility to set policies and procedures for UBAANA and ensure that the provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws govern the life of UBAANA subject to the law of the United States”.

I am certain that you will participate in the 11th Reunion in New Jersey to reacquaint with your fellow alumni and join in the discussion to assist our Alma Mater. We look forward to welcoming you to Newark, in July. Let us continue to carry the flame of UBAANA forward as we build networking opportunities for our members and improve academic and life skills for UNIBEN students.



Let's join hands and do this together!!!

For further information about the 11th Reunion, please visit www.ubaana.org

Wishing us all a safe arrival in Newark come July.

Idith Ojo, DNP
President



Reunion (continued from page 1)

The Planning Committee has a lot of fun-filled activities lined up for you starting with a meet and greet on the night of Thursday, July 22nd. We also, have Comedy/Dance night on Friday, July 22nd featuring our own alumnus, Comedian MC Tompson.



Relax and let him take away your stress. If you attended the Miami reunion last year you will remember that MC Tompson did an excellent job. He has promised to top his performance this year and keep us laughing throughout the night.

During the day on Saturday, July 23rd we have the Alumni breakfast, NYC Sightseeing tour (including Lunch in China Town) for friends and family, General Assembly and a New York/New Jersey style barbecue at the Lewis Morris Park in Morristown, New Jersey

The night of Saturday, July 23rd is special. For the first time ever we will be having a Red Carpet event. Dress up like a Movie Star and let the Paparazzi take pictures of you in front of the UBAANA backdrop. We promise you will have a blast.

MC Namo will be conducting our Gala/Fundraising Dinner/Dance from 8PM to 1AM. This year the theme of the reunion is "GIVE BACK". I know we want to have fun during the reunion but let us raise funds for our Alma Matter while we are at it!! Let us not forget our Great University. ☺

The event will be streaming live on "Facebook Live". We also published a new reunion video on the UBAANA.org website and our Facebook page. Please watch the video to get more details about the reunion.

The Reunion planning Committee wants to thank UBAANA members for all the support we have received so far. We appreciate all your contributions!! Expect more calls from us in the upcoming days ☺.

Let us all join hands and make this reunion the best one yet. We look forward to welcoming you and your family to the 11th Annual reunion in Newark, New Jersey.

Greatest UNIBEN!!!

Stella Aduba, Chair, New York/New Jersey Chapter



SPOTLIGHT ON UBAANA DMV Chapter

By Stella Uwechie - Growth & Membership Committee Member

Greatest UNIBEN!

Here is to formally announce the re-emergence of the Washington DC/Maryland/Virginia (DMV) chapter; UBAANA's newest revamped chapter!

The rebirth of the DMV chapter is the brain child of Dr. Idith Ojo which stated during her vice presidency in 2015; and a resultant effort of the Growth & Membership committee. Maryland was a pioneer chapter which hosted UBAANA's second annual convention in 2008 but became inactive shortly thereafter.

Since re-establishing the chapter, greatest UBAANAites from DC, Maryland and Virginia have joined hands to foster and grow a new and improved UBAANA DMV chapter. They continue to look however for all UBAANAites in that axis of the country.

In the last nine months, and under the coordination of Dr. Hilda Dunkwu Esq., DMV has had multiple teleconferences and three physical meetings. With the current number of fully paid members, DMV is poised to proudly stand for recognition during the July 2016 convention in NEWARK, NEW JERSEY at which time they expect to have met the requirement to again be recognized as a fully functioning financial chapter.

One of the networking highlights of this young chapter is member's keen interest in **mentoring**, and **professional team support**. DMV has posted/shared hiring, learning and scholarship information via its WhatsApp forum. Some familiar faces in the team are Dr. Paulinus Chigbu, Mr. Phillip Okphiabhele, Mr. Okechukwu Nwobodo and Ms. Nora Osedianosen. So the next time you see an alumnus who lives in the DMV region, tell them they're are missing out! Please help the DMV coordination team to find UNIBEN alumni in the region

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May 2016 Meet & Greet Affair



December 2015 Xmas Affair

CHIGBU EARNS UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND BOARD OF REGENTS' AWARD

Source: www.umes.edu

On April 15, 2016 UBAANA's own DMV member Paulinus Chigbu, Ph.D., Director of the NOAA Living Marine Resources Cooperative Science Center (LMRCSC) and professor at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore (UMES) earned the University System of Maryland Board of Regents' Faculty Award for Excellence in Mentoring, the highest recognition the Board grants for exemplary faculty achievement.

"Dr. Chigbu is one of the most highly committed, hardworking and productive members of the SANS Team," said dean of the School of Agriculture and Natural Sciences, Moses Kairo, Ph.D. "Every day, his efforts touch the lives of students and faculty alike, and not just here at UMES but across a range of many partner institutions."

"He conducts exemplary research, he mentors many students and faculty," Kairo said. "I am so proud that he has been accorded this recognition, which I dare say is long overdue." Programs Chigbu has established and coordinated have impacted more than 500 students at various levels; from middle and high school through undergraduate to graduate students and post-doctoral fellows. He has personally supervised more than 30 undergraduate and graduate students in their research.

Prof. Chigbu earned B.Sc. and M.Sc. degrees in Zoology from UNIBEN. He is one more reason why we say - GREATEST!

GROWTH AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The goal of the Growth and Membership (G&M) committee is to grow and retain membership at UBAANA. Following a successful meeting with local chapter chairs, the committee developed a template (see next page) that local chapters will use to announce all events and meetings, for publication on our website: www.ubaana.org. This will give local chapter's visibility, and the national association, a unified agenda. Furthermore any alumni from non-member states visiting another state can chose to attend their event and plan accordingly.

Stop by the G&M committee's table at the upcoming reunion for more information and tell us how we can serve you better. For any comments, questions or feedback, please contact - growthandmembership@ubaana.org.

Elizabeth Omozuwa Etokhana - Chair
Vivian Ese Deniran - Secretary

Contact the Growth & Members committee at: growthandmembership@ubaana.org




Prof. Paulinus Chigbu

Template for Announcement of Events - Courtesy of the Growth and Membership Committee

UBAANA Event and Meeting Template

Note – examples depicted in the right column. Please replace with your details.
Complete form and email to webmaster@ubaana.org

Title of Event	UBAANA Dallas Annual Picnic
Type of Event	Picnic
Event Details	Join fellow alumni and their families for a picnic at Hershey Center. This will be a great opportunity to reconnect with friends, meet new alumni and hear all about the great work UBAANA is doing.
Start and End Date	Monday, May 30 th 2018
Start and End Time	4:00 PM to 12:00 AM
Location of event	Location - Hershey Park Street - 2000 Parkway North City - Plano Zip Code - TX78258
Contact person	John Doe
Contact Number	2125551233
RSVP	text to 2125551212
Hosted By	Dallas UBAANA chapter
Frequency of Event	Monthly, Quarterly or Annually.
Additional Information	Please arrive early for picture taking.
Attachment/Picture/Link	 11TH ANNUAL UBAANA REUNION PAC
Instruction to webmaster@ubaana.org	Please post on May 1 st .

This template can be found for use at www.ubaana.org

UBAANA HOUSTON CHAPTER*by Osarugue Sanusi, Chapter Chair*

The Houston Chapter continues to grow strong even as it continues to fish for the many UNIBEN alumni who reside in the Houston area. This chapter meets monthly via teleconference on the second Wednesday of the month. It also holds face to face events in the Summer and end of year among other social welfare events carried out as members' situations dictate - Weddings, birthdays, graduations, births, funerals, etc. Some of the pictures below depict. This chapter maintains a core of dedicated members whose efforts continue to sustain the chapter. Please spread the word to UNIBEN graduates you might know who reside in the Houston area.



Supporting member, Paulyn at her brother's service of songs in Florida



Summer Picnic



Supporting member Kemi at her dad's service of songs

For information on the Houston Chapter, please contact:

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UBAANA Southern California Chapter Rocks!

By Chris Uvieghara, Esq. - Chapter Secretary

After hosting a very successful 2013 Annual UBAANA Reunion in Los Angeles, the UBAANA Southern California Chapter has continued to exemplify the pride of being a UNIBEN alumnus. The chapter has maintained a core group of dedicated alumni which has ensured that the UBAANA banner continues to fly colorfully in Southern California. Members have reached out to each other in times of sadness and joy and have formed a formidable network that has made this chapter very viable.

Recently, the chapter celebrated its Annual Social Event on April 9, 2016. It was a night to remember. There was great food, great music, and a lot of dancing to a variety of genres, notably 'Old School' songs that were a throwback to the great parties on campus back in the day. Alumni and their guests also had a great time during the 'Introductions' item on the agenda when they provided information regarding their present walk in life while reminiscing on their UNIBEN experiences. Jokes were cracked and it was night of much fun!

A few pictures from the April 9, 2016 Social Event.



Internal Audit Committee

By Orumé Agbeyegbe Hays, CPA; National Treasurer

Greatest UNIBEN!

As you may know from a recent email blast, UBAANA is currently conducting an internal financial audit of the past years of operation. Some of you might even have been contacted by the Audit Committee with requests for information. We appreciate your cooperation.

So why did UBAANA need to proceed with an audit? The financial audit, which should usually be conducted annually, is an independent review of an organization's financial books. It is also a professional review of the checks-and-balances system to ensure that the association's financial practices are in order.

State laws vary in the scope of their regulation of charitable nonprofits. Some audit requirements are dependent on the size of the annual budgets or the sources of funding.

Currently, while UBAANA might not be legally required to perform an audit, one compelling reason to do so is to demonstrate the organization's commitment to financial transparency. This will also be helpful when we expand our donor sources from members only, as private foundations sometimes request a copy of the nonprofit organization's most recent audited financial statements, be submitted in addition to a grant proposal.

Publishing an independent audit report on our nonprofit website or providing the report upon request is therefore something that donors and the public expect from reputable nonprofit associations.

Our internal audit is being conducted pro-bono and chaired by a UBAANA member and a licensed independent certified public accountant (CPA), Olaniyi Oyedele, CPA. (Please join us in extending our gratitude for his work). We welcome additional members to the Audit Committee; kindly contact the Vice President or Secretary General if you are ready to serve on this, or any of UBAANA's standing committees.

Since the engagement began, the committee has been performing a series of selective tests which provide a basis for judging whether our financial reports can be relied upon. The internal auditor is examining, among other things, bank reconciliations, selected donations, dues, and expenses paid to verify that they were handled and recorded properly. Based on the review, the committee issues an opinion about the accuracy of the financial reports. We hope to be able to include the Internal Audit Committee report on the next Annual Financial Report which is due at the upcoming reunion in Newark, NJ in July of this year.

We would also like to use this medium to appeal to all local treasurers and Exco officers to ensure compliance with state filing requirements so we retain our 501-c not-for-profit status across the board. Also, we need all local chapters' financial statements to facilitate a complete and more accurate federal filing. For all chapters that are not up to date with their filing and reporting obligations, we appeal to you to bring your status up to date.

As always, if you have already paid your annual dues, we thank you. If you have not yet done so, we ask that you please log onto <http://www.ubaana.org> and pay your dues online.

Please help us to help serve UBAANA better.

UBAANA's 2015 to 2017 PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS COMMITTEE

By Abraham Obar, Secretary

One day, the Headmaster in a village school went to a teacher and accused him of not teaching the right things to the students. The Headmaster told the teacher that he was going to ask the teacher a question, and if the teacher could not answer the question correctly, he should consider his job terminated. He then asked the teacher: "What is 5 + 5?" The teacher said: "That is very easy sir, 5 + 5 equals 55". The Headmaster looked at the teacher for thirty seconds and then he suddenly smiled and said: "You are lucky; I thought you did not know the answer; I hereby promote you to Head Teacher. You can carry on with your duties".

Having said that on a lighter side, let me tell you a very important story. This one is not a joke, and by the time you have finished reading through this story, you will agree with me that this is no joke. I want to tell you about the UBAANA Programs and Projects Committee (PPC). The PPC was re-constituted late last year, 2015, and after a rigorous election process, the following members were selected: Peter Uiyoshioria, Chair; Abraham Obar, Secretary; Chris Uvieghara and Obinna Oriaku.

The members of this committee swung into action immediately after inauguration, encouraged and advised by our indefatigable President, Dr. Idith Ojo, whose presence has graced all of the committee's meetings. The first Project that was re-assessed by the PPC was the Valedictorian and The Academically Gifted Students Project. The PPC re-examined the variables involved and drew up an extensive report about the complete viability in terms of execution of this project. The report was forwarded to the UBAANA Executive and Board of Directors for further consideration and approval.

The PPC has also been looking into the e-Library Project. EBSCOhost is the subscription service that UBAANA donated to UNIBEN for paying the subscription premium for two years. It is a subscription to an academic database used by almost all Universities in the world, including ivy leagues such as Harvard and Stanford. EBSCOhost (www.ebscohost.com) is the premier data base subscription service for almost everyone in the world for academic research. Any UNIBEN member (student or staff) can log on to the website at <http://search.ebscohost.com/> with the **User ID: ns013944** and the password is **Password**. The PPC is working with providers of EBSCOhost to compile UNIBEN patronage statistics for this website. To that effect, a matrix with monthly usage statistics since launched in June of 2015 was created by the PPC. The Committee concludes that so far it appears more work is required in the area of dissemination of the information about use of this valuable resource to the UNIBEN community.

Other assignments the Programs and Projects committee is tasked with includes the UBAANA Business Network Program and any General Programs and Projects identified and deemed useful for UNIBEN. Most of the Programs and Projects previously identified are already being implemented. The committee is looking into these current programs to evaluate and fine-tune execution, effectiveness and efficacy of these projects.

The President, Dr. Ojo has taken some time to explain to the committee that anyone who donates money towards the execution of any particular project, would be acknowledged in perpetuity; - his/her name will be attached to that program/project as a Projects Partner forever.

The committee is moving at full steam to see that all current projects are completed within a reasonable time, to the best of our ability, and within budget.

Finally, if you have found this information useful after reading, please leave a note. We prefer a \$100 note! Please consider contributing to sponsor a UBAANA Project! Also, if you haven't paid your annual membership dues, please consider doing so today. Have a happy, memorable day! Greatest UNIBEN!!!

NEWS FROM THE ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

Fellow Alumni

The Endowment Fund Committee (EFC) is appealing to all members to please participate in its fund raising drive. If you haven't been contacted, please expect that that would happen soon. The committee is taking this drive to the reunion as well and plans to have a big presence in Newark during the upcoming 11th annual reunion. Please come ready to support us by supporting UBAANA to support Uniben

The EFC is a standing committee under Article X Section 1 of the UBAANA Constitution with the purpose of raising funds for UBAANA's programs and projects for the benefit of our great alma mater UNIBEN.

Some of the projects that have been executed from funds raised in the past 2 years include:

- i. UBAANA's E-Library Project for UNIBEN
- ii. UBAANA's Academic Prize Program for UNIBEN

We cannot over emphasize the need for a strong and viable Endowment for UBAANA which would enable us "give back" to UNIBEN which provided the foundation of what we all have become today. Hence, to supplement the EFC's efforts, UBAANA's Chapters are expected to hold fundraising activities all-year-round for the benefit of the Endowment Fund.

As you prepare for this year's Annual Reunion, we appeal that you make an effort to set aside funds for the Endowment. Every dollar counts, no matter how little.

Make all payments to the UBAANA Endowment Fund. Cash, checks and pledges (redeemable within a short time), would be greatly appreciated. All donations are tax-deductible.

We look forward to your generous support!

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For more information on the Endowment Committee please contact:

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Inspired By Death

Iruka A. Ndubuizu

I lost my father at a young age. One day he was fine; the next day he was dead, literally. We spoke on a Saturday afternoon and he was okay. He died on Tuesday. No good byes. Nothing prepared me for his death. I could barely function for a very long time. I became a robot – doing what I was expected to do at the right time and in the right manner. Just existing. I looked and played the part but without any emotion or zeal. Interestingly, I was in this state of mind for a couple years and none of my loved ones knew. I became quite good at “faking a life”. My thoughts, actions and movements were purely mechanical. A part of me knew I should do more, want more, or even say more but I had no motivation whatsoever to do any of it. It took me a while to wake up from my robotic existence.

It's been over 20 years since my father left this earth and people still give testimonies of how he touched their lives. He loved his family and everyone he met. My father went out of his way to give. If you had a need and came to him, he will do everything in his power to help you. He also loved a full house so we had myriads of extended family members and friends visiting and/or moving in constantly. My Dad's decision wasn't always fun for my mom and my siblings. If we complain, he responded “that's why I'm here”. I never really understood this until he died. I always wondered what my giving up my bed for an unwelcome guest had to do with him being on earth!

Now I know he was trying to tell us that that was his purpose. Although he lived a relatively short life, he made an impact.

He made a difference, met needs, and touched lives. He is dead but lives on in the hearts of the people he touched. He is still missed. This is a true case of not how long, but how well.

I am inspired to live in a way that when I'm no longer here I'm missed. To do this, I have to break out of my comfort zone. It's scary and my heart is racing at the thought. But ready or not, I'm diving in. It's not enough to be alive. I have to live in a way that when I am gone, I am not forgotten. I dare you to do the same!

My younger sister lost her husband in a ghastly car accident on Christmas Day last year. He was only 50 years old. One moment, he was fine; next he was gone. He spoke to his family barely 2 hours before the accident. This recent loss reminded me of the promise I made to myself years ago to do everything in my power to live. There is a difference between being alive and living. Being alive is very easy – inhale, exhale, repeat. That's all. Just going through the motions. Never exerting yourself. Staying in your comfort zone. Not taking chances. Living involves a whole lot more – getting involved by diving in no matter how scared you are, doing those things that may cause you to fall but you get up and try again, pursuing your dreams, creating new experiences, seeing life through the eyes of others, enjoying the journey, etc.

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We tend to wait till everything is perfectly aligned to make a move. Stop waiting. Dive in, for tomorrow is not guaranteed. Like the great author C. Joybell reminds us “*A lifetime isn't forever, so take the first chance, don't wait for the second one! Because sometimes, there aren't second chances! And if it turns out to be a mistake? So what! This is life! A whole bunch of mistakes!*”

It's sad that it took another sudden death for me to remember a promise I made to myself years ago. Better late than never, I'm told. So, once more I am re-committing to living fiercely. This entails taking risks, doing things that scare me, taking a stab at the unfamiliar, figuring out my passion and pursuing it no matter what. I do not know how long I have, so I have determined to stop the “waiting” and to stop making excuses. There may never be a perfect time, so I resolve not to wait till I lose weight, get my dream job, have more money, make the right contacts, etc. to pursue my dreams. I commit to not holding back; to rise if I fall and try again; to laugh often; to forgive myself and others; to take care of myself; to love; to give often; to breathe; to feel; to invest in meaningful relationships; to embrace opportunities; and to not be complacent or settle.

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PROF. ORUMWENSE'S ACHIEVEMENT IN UNIBEN

May 2016

By Tracy Omoragbon (Mrs.)
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The University of Benin has recorded another slide victory as it has received the license to operate an independent 7.5MW embedded electricity generation plant as well as independent electricity distribution Network.

This will ameliorate the poor electricity generation capacity within the campus; as activities and businesses within the campus have suffered huge setbacks. This electricity generation plant and the independent electricity distribution Network will enable the University monitor its power usage and enjoy reduced tariff.

Meanwhile as part of the vice chancellor's initiative in making University of Benin comparable with its counterparts globally, the Prof. Osasere Orumwense led administration has made a mark in the area of Information Technology. The Information, communication and Technology/Central record processing Units is one of the major areas in the strategic plans of the present administration.

The ICT/CRPU of the University of Benin has been able to put the following in place:

- Deployment of E-learning Multimedia platform
- Deployment of E-Senate meetings/Result presentation
- Successfully linked Facilities, Units, and Hostels with fiber optics
- Ekehuan campus has been linked with Network operation Centre room to improve internet services in the environment.

The university has also distinguished itself by overhauling and renovating the distance learning centre, equipped with regional computer based test Hub.

The university has added another feather to its cap by being an eight time reference point for the appointment of its seasoned and credible staff as vice chancellor and provost respective of other tertiary institutions of learning. University of Benin now nicknamed "UNIBEST" also has its Academic staff bestowed with fellowship of reputable professional bodies and grants to benefit staff, a total of 76 staff utilized it N25 million tetfund intervention provision.

In the area of physical structure as provision of accommodation for students, the UNIBEN management has reached various agreement stages with companies who will build, operate and transfer hostels over a period of time to the university to cater for its teaming populace.

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The EXCO meets on the first Sunday of the month at 4 p.m. Eastern.

All are welcome to attend.

Contact the Sec-Gen for call-in information