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SOLOMON MAHLANGU FREEDOM COLLEGE

Minutes of the Departmental Coordinating Committee

Held in the staffroom on 25/11/1982

Present: Cdes: T.K. Maseko (Chairperson), Ngalo (Secretary),
S.Zindela, A.Maseko, N.Mali, Gqwetha and Nhlapho.

Apologies: A.Sidweshu and E.Abrahams:

Minutes were adopted.

Corrections: of previous minutes:

- (a) Referring to a meeting with the Post-matriculants the principal explained that such a meeting was held with last year's Post-matriculants.
- (b) The boarding section will, within and outside school hours, attend to the matter of issuing slips to students to go to the clinic which decides who of them can be admitted to rest there.

Arising from the minutes:

- i) To the question of food, the students' representatives replied that it was now acceptable and better. Students do assist the cooks during weekdays for some minutes, but spend a longer time during weekends.
- ii) To the question of non-cooperation of the PMs: the answer came, "yes", there is an improvement and cooperation.
- iii) An explanation was made as to the grades of students we have here:
People like Vusi etc. should be called technical group.
Musa and others are upgraders.
- iv) With regard to outings: it was decided that there can be no outings for anything until we get a suitable transport.
- v) With regard to the Cooks' cleanliness etc.: it was said that they do change their overalls, but are not using the duplicating rooms had been decided.
- vi) As regards other changes in the kitchen; Cde Jimmy said Mabaruti's report (b to f) still stands. We are waiting for the use of the new kitchen.
- vii) Cde. Jimmy further told the meeting that food supplies are delivered in good time.
- vi) With regard to the clinic's cooks: it was said that Kuni is now doing the cooking; Mbombo is now working in the main kitchen.

- x) The matter of getting irons, toilet paper, etc. is left with the principal to effect.
- xi) With regard to the bakery, Ngalo to remind the principal.

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- xi) The kitchen needs almost all kitchen utensils, e.g. mugs, cups, spoons, knives, forks. It was also mentioned that students should be warned not to take some of the utensils away.

Students' representatives requested that the pioneers should be allotted a separate dinning hall because of difficulties they are experiencing in the present dinning hall.

Cde. Mali suggested the following to be included in a programme to be drawn up for the holidays:

- Cultural talent show for December 16
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- Outing for raising funds to buy uniforms for the cultural group, and also
- A trip to Mbeya for about 45 to 50 participants.

He also requested for a seminar to discuss cultural matters, e.g. painting, poetry etc. and organise a workshop for interested parties - date to be decided.

He further pointed out the needs of the cultural group as follows:- tape recorders, especially on Fridays or perhaps any other day when they rehearse.

We are informed that 21st March next is SACTU's conference in Mazimbu. Preparations by the cultural group should start early.

Cde. Andile reports:

There are only a few baseball balls.
Cricket shall be suspended temporarily until they get their own balls.

They have not initiated other games. They will see what to do for the holidays. League games shall be included during the holidays on house level. Athletics shall also be included.

The students' representatives asked for: an extra radio and notice boards for the P.I.D.
They also want to produce a magazine. This, they were told to bring typed scripts.

A prize (outing plus 1 or 2 goats) for the harvest has not yet been given out to the winners. Transport problems have made this impossible. The students' representatives should find out who of the winners are still here.

Students' sports committee will programme for sports after next Friday's (3rd Dec.) meeting which will be planning for the holidays.

The meeting closed.

Next meeting 23/12/1982. - 9.30 a.m.