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## VC TASKS 400 LEVEL STUDENTS ON GOOD CONDUCT

The Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Minna, Prof. Musbau Adewumi Akanji, *FNSBMB, FAS*, has tasked 400 level students of the institution who would be proceeding for the mandatory Industrial Attachment to be good ambassadors of the University.



Cross section of students during the SIWES orientation

The Vice-Chancellor gave this advice during the SIWES Orientation for 400 level students from the School of Engineering and Engineering Technology, School of Entrepreneurship and Management Technology and School of Information and Communication Technology held on Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at the University Auditorium, Main Campus.

Prof. Akanji, represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration), Prof. Suleiman Sadiku stated that FUT, Minna is the best University of Technology in the country and urged the students to go out to the industries with

pride, dignity and protect the good name of the institution.

The VC urged the students to be security conscious and further advised them to use the opportunity to start working on their final year projects.

In his remarks at the event, the Area Manager Industrial Training Fund, Mrs. Ifeoma Ihezua, represented by the Head of Training, Mal. Saleh called on the students to ask questions at their places of industrial attachment, adding that the IT scheme is designed to engage students through direct contact with the industries to gain practical experience.

Mrs. Ihezua disclosed that ITF had trained large number of students since inception of the scheme in 1973 while noting that the federal government has invested massively in the scheme and urged the students to take the exercise serious.

In his vote of thanks, Dr. Lekan Sani from the School of Environmental Technology commended the University Management for their continuous support for the programme and praised SIWES for organizing the event.

The students were tutored on the rudiments of SIWES programme, documentation, allowances, code of conduct at the place of industrial attachment and safety by different instructors at the event. The orientation programme was also held at the Bosso Campus the next day for students from the School of Science and Technology Education, School of Life Sciences and School of Physical Sciences.

## CAMPUS NEWS FACEBOOK PAGE

Members of the University community and the general public are hereby informed that the Information and Publications Unit now has a Facebook page. Interested members can visit our Facebook page **Futminnainfounit** for real time update on live events, details of upcoming activities on campus, exclusive pictures of events, and lots more. You can also follow us via our twitter handle **@infounitfutmx**.

## FUT STAFF SCHOOL

This is to inform parents and guardians that the University Staff School will vacate on Friday, April 7, 2017 and will resume on Tuesday, May 2, 2017.

## UNIVERSITY TRADE GROUP

Non-Academic Staff Union of Educational and Associated Institutions (NASU), Federal University of Technology, Minna cordially invites the University community and the general public to her University Trade Group (UTG) Council meeting scheduled as follows:

**Date:** Tuesday 11, and Wednesday, April 12, 2017

**Venue:** PTDF Hall, Chemical Engineering Department, Main Campus.

# DIGITAL BRIDGE INSTITUTE TRAINS STAFF ON ADAPTI, SPSS

Participants at the recently concluded training on Advanced Digital Appreciation Programme for Tertiary Institutions (ADAPTI) and Statistical Presentation in Social Sciences (SPSS) have been urged to apply the training received for efficiency, progress of the University and humanity.

The Vice-Chancellor Federal University of Technology, Minna, Prof. Musbau Adewumi Akanji, *FNSBMB, FAS* made this assertion at the closing ceremony of the 5-day training



Representative of VC and Dean, SAAT, Prof. Kolo, representative of Director, ITS, Hajiya Mairo (3rd & 2nd from right) and participants in a group photograph after the programme

held from Monday 27 - Friday, March 31, 2017 at the Shell Nigeria Exploration Company (SNEPCO) Lecture Hall, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano. The training was organized by the Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) in collaboration with Digital Bridge Institute (DBI) - a training arm of NCC with participants drawn from various schools, departments, units/centres of the University.

The Vice-Chancellor who was represented by the Dean, School of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology (SAAT), Prof. Reuben Kolo expressed delight to the University's Management for organizing the training for staff of institution.

According to him, previous participants earlier testified that the training is worthwhile as it exposed them to new trends of what they already knew.

Prof. Akanji maintained that he believed the same testimonies would be given at the end of the training. "What you thought you know before, you will discover that you have added more to it". He reiterated.

The team leader from DBI, Mr. Chukwuemeka Nzeh while declaring participants as Alumni of the institute, hailed the University for the strides it is making in ICT, while looking forward to partner with the University in other areas.

He further expressed appreciation to the participants for their accommodating attitude during the course of the training.

Earlier four participants were called to give a brief on the

training, two from the SPSS and other two from the ADAPTI class.

Mr. Joel Kolo who is one of the representatives of the ADAPTI class stated that the training is an eye opener and had refreshed the memories of participants.

The second speaker of the ADAPTI class, Barrister Hajara Sani spoke extensively on the impact of the training, describing it as an exciting experience. She also called on participants to refer to the manual in case of challenges.

Speaking on behalf of the SPSS class, Dr. Jude Ejekpu testified that the programme had exposed them to a lot of things that they knew existed but did not really know how to apply them.

The last speaker Dr. (Mrs.) A. M. Tsado appreciated the University and NCC for organizing the training. According to her, it is a rare opportunity to be exposed to the new trends in ICT.

In his vote of thanks, the Director ITS, Dr. Adamu Mohammed, represented by Deputy Director, (Programming), Hajiya Mairo Kanko thanked the organizers of the training, the University Management and all the participants for their patience throughout the exercise.

## APPOINTMENTS

### (i) Dean

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the re-appointment of **Prof. M. G. M. Kolo** as Dean of Postgraduate School for a period of two years, effective from April 1, 2017 and **Prof. Abubakar N. Saidu** as Dean, Students Affairs Division, effective from February 1st to August 30, 2017.

### (ii) Renewal

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the renewal of appointment of **Dr. (Mrs.) Alabi Maria Olabisi and Dr. Banso Aderotimi**, both of Department of Food Science and Technology as a Visiting Senior Lecturer, for a period of one year each with effect from January 17, and June 1, 2017 respectively.

### (iii) Withdrawal

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the request of **Bilyaminu Suleuman**, Department of Chemical Engineering for the withdrawal of his services from the University with effect from April 30, 2017.

## UPGRADING

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the Upgrading of Garba Shambo Mohammed, University Library Services from Assistant Librarian to Librarian II, with effect from February 22, 2017.

# ETSU NUPE COMMENDS FUT, MINNA

**H**RH, Alhaji (Dr.) Yahaya Abubakar Rtd, CFR, the Etsu Nupe and Chairman, Niger State Council of Traditional Rulers has commended the Management of the University for showing commitment to its mandate of teaching, research and community



*HRH, Etsu Nupe (seated left) Registrar, Mrs. Kolo (right) and her entourage paying homage to the Emir at his Wadata Palace*

services.

The Etsu Nupe made the commendation on Friday, March 31, 2017 at his Wadata Palace, Bida when the Registrar of the University Mrs. Victoria Nnawo. Kolo accompanied by members of the Local Organising Committee (LOC) for the

2017 62nd Business Meeting of the Association of Registrars' of Nigerian Universities (ARNU) paid him a courtesy visit to brief him about the upcoming event and the LOC's plan to bring members of ARNU to pay him homage.

The Royal father who was full of praises for the University Management for its desire to make the University a better institution, assured the Registrar of his support and cooperation to the University and prayed for a successful hosting of the event.

Earlier in her address, the Registrar informed the Etsu Nupe that the association normally rotates its meetings among member institutions and that it was at the last meeting that FUT, Minna was given the right to host the 62nd Business Meeting scheduled for 2nd - 6th May, 2017.

The association according to her uses the forum to share ideas and challenges in the discharge of their day-to-day duties in their various institutions.

She used the opportunity to thank the Royal father for all his fatherly advice to the University and further solicited for his support, blessings and cooperation.

## MENINGITIS IN NIGERIA: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

**M**eningitis is an inflammation (swelling) of the protective membranes covering the brain and spinal cord known as the meninges. This inflammation is usually caused by an infection of the fluid surrounding the brain and spinal cord.

Meningitis is usually caused by bacteria or viruses. Symptoms can come on very quickly or gradually over a few days. It can kill within 24 hours so be very observant.

### Symptoms of Meningitis

- Severe persistent headache
- Fever
- Neck stiffness and pain that makes it difficult to touch your chin to your chest
- Sensitivity to bright light
- Seizures
- Sleepiness and sluggishness
- Nausea and vomiting
- Decreased appetite
- Confusion and disorientation (acting goofy)
- Skin rash
- Irritability

### How is Meningitis Spread?

- Spread through close personal contact such as coughing, sneezing and kissing
- Contact with throat secretions from an infected person (for example, phlegm or saliva).
- Sharing personal belongings
- Poor personal hygiene

### Prevention Tips

- Avoid contact with sick people and their body secretions
- Get vaccinated if available
- Get adequate rest
- Avoid smoking
- If you have been in contact with a sick person in an affected area, visit your doctor to give you preventive antibiotics to reduce chances of contacting the disease.

### Vaccines which can help protect against Meningitis are:

- Haemophilus Influenzae type B (Hib) vaccine
- Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine
- Meningococcal vaccine

### Who is at Risk?

- People with low immunity e.g. People with HIV/AIDS, Autoimmune Disorders, Chemotherapy etc.
- People sleeping in crowded spaces
- Pregnant women
- Children under the age of 5 years old and the elderly

### Complications from Meningitis Infection

If not properly managed, it can lead to:

- Hearing loss
- Visual loss
- Seizures
- Permanent brain damage
- Death



# NIGERIA INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT (NIM) CALLING

The Nigeria Institute of Management is calling on all old, new and intending members of the institute working with Federal University of Technology Minna to a crucial meeting scheduled as follows

**Date:** Tuesday, April 10, 2017

**Time:** 10:00am prompt

**Venue:** Suleimanu Kumo Convocation Square, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Gidan Kwano Campus.

**Agenda:** Brief from Zonal Coordinator of the Institute concerning Niger State Chapter.

Any other Business.

## CONDOLENCE

The Registrar has on behalf of Management, Staff and Students of the Federal University of Technology, Minna condoled the following:

- Mrs. Sarah A. Tsado, former Deputy Registrar of the University and Mr. Uriah S. Jiya, University Library Services over the death of their mother, which occurred on Sunday, March 12, 2017.
- Mr. Stephen Aluko, a former staff of the University and Stephen Gloria, Department of Mathematics, over the death of his wife and her mother respectively, which occurred on Sunday April 2, 2017.
- Nurudeen Moh'd Sani, S-E 11. Y, Sabon Gari, Minna, Niger State over the death of his father, which sad event occurred on Saturday, April 1, 2017.
- Hajiya Sa'adatu Bello, House No. 128, Off London Street, Minna over the death of her husband, which occurred on Thursday, March 30, 2017.
- Rebecca Haruna, Registry Department over the death of her husband, which sad event occurred on Thursday, March 30, 2017.
- Anunobi Vivian Njideka, Information Technology Services over the death of her husband Dr. Anunobi, which sad event occurred on Sunday, April 2, 2017. Dr. Ikechukwu Anunobi until his death was HOD, Architecture Department, FUT, Minna.
- Alhaji Haruna Musa, Ministry of Finance, Minna over the death of his brother which sad event occurred on Sunday, April 2, 2017.

May their gentle souls rest in peace.

# Money Matters

Weekly Financial Digest (Monday, March 20 - Friday, March 24, 2017)

N	RECEIPTS	N
1	Collection of Certificate	413,000.00
2	Academic Transcript Fees	225,000.00
3	Clearance	33,000.00
4	Add & Drop	1,000.00
5	Replacement of I.D. Card	4,500.00
6	Turnintin	12,000.00
7	Semesterial Result	1,400.00
8	Restitution Fees	868,400.00
9	Farm Land	19,500.00
10	Commercial Activities	4,000.00
11	Confirmation/Verification of Certificate	16,000.00
12	Sales of Log Book	20,000.00
13	Hiring of University Property	153,000.00
14	Certified True Copy of Certification	2,000.00
15	Personnel Allocation From Abuja	283,962,404.16
16	Post Graduate School Fees	1,314,500.00
17	Sales of PGS Forms	246,000.00
	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>287,295,704.16</b>
	<b>PAYMENTS</b>	
18	<b>(i) Staff</b>	
	(a) Salary (March, 2017)	296,544,013.52
	(b) Refund	12,333,450.00
	(c) Staff Training	8,401,333.33
	(d) Advances	5,230,888.95
	<b>(ii) Contractors/Suppliers</b>	
	(a) Abuja Electricity Dis. Comp. Plc - Electricity Bill	6,178,106.96
	(b) Leah Eyagi Yisa - Cost of refreshment	789,450.00
	(c) Dogon Koli Hotel Nig. Ltd - Hotel Bill	53,560.00
	(d) Nigeria Postal Service - Courier Service	148,207.50
	(e) Mrs. O. Oladejo - Supply of Newspaper	103,950.00
	(f) " " "	96,400.00
	(g) Haske Hotel Ltd - Hotel Bill	423,060.00
	(i) Oluwaseun Oyedepo -Printing	1,183,975.00
	(j) Batcol Enterprises Ltd - Supply of Diesel	4,417,875.00
	(k) " " "	4,417,875.00
	(l) NUC Abuja - Accreditation	1,498,400.00
	(m) Marvelous Olaitan Prints - Supply of Items	521,850.00
	(n) A. G. Office Equipment Service - Supply	594,800.00
	(o) Sarki Pawa - Repairs	218,500.00
	(p) Muslem Ummah FUT, Minna - Financial Assistance	6,000,000.00
	(q) Chapel of Grace FUT, Minna Financial Assistance	3,000,000.00
	(r) St. Malachy Catholic Chaplain Financial Assistance	3,000,000.00
	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>355,155,695.26</b>