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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

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Ebun Emelogo,
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ONYX GRAD CLASS MARKS WEEK



Ready to soar: The Onyx Graduating Class members celebrate week ahead of graduation.

ZAMBIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER VISITS BABCOCK



Prof. Ademola Tayo makes a point as Dr. Jere signs the guest register.

By Godwin Ugbaka

The Zambian High Commissioner to Nigeria, Dr. Solomon Jere has called on Babcock University to lead the Embassy's planned International Peace Concert aimed at addressing African Union's problems.

He made this request during his courtesy visit to the President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo.

Dr. Jere, who was guest speaker at the Onyx Gradu-

ating Class valedictory programme, *The Experience*, said besides music, the concert would serve as platform for other discussions.

He is also ready to leverage on Babcock's experience in organizing the model United Nations as

tool for proffering solutions to existing regional problems.

As Deputy Dean of the Southern African Development Communities (SADC), Dr. Jere said he had initiated discussions with fellow ambassadors to import this idea, which he described as a “brilliant seed that should grow and be harvested.”

He urged Babcock to set up a similar model for the concert along with practical ideas for addressing the African Union challenges.

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Prof. Ademola Tayo (right) and Mr. Tafidi Mani sign the MoU as Appzone's Consultant, Mr. Ogunlolu Oguntuase, watches with interest.



BABCOCK MICROFINANCE BANK SIGNS MoU WITH APPZONE LTD

By Godwin Ugbaka

Things are looking up for the Babcock Microfinance Bank as stakeholders seal up a Memorandum of Understanding with Appzone Limited to expand its service delivery capacity. Customers will now carry out digital, e-banking transactions using the bank's app on Google play store.

At the signing, President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola Tayo supported by principal officers of the University, expressed joy and gratitude that his dream was coming to fruition.

"Automation or digitalization is the way to go. The time is now ripe to seize the market," he said.

According to him, the administration would give the

bank the needed support to expand its marketing drive to win greater patronage.

The Bursar, Dr Folorunsho Akande equally expressed excitement over the development as well as having a seasoned banker, Prof.

Segun Ajibola on the bank's board.

Both Prof Ajibola and the Appzone Business Development Manager, Mr. Tafidi Mani are optimistic that the digitalization would better position the bank for visibility. and financial growth.



BU Officers: Prof. Johnson Egwakhe, Prof. Jonathan Nwosu and Dr. Folorunsho Akande.



Prof. Segun Ajibola



Prof. Ademola Tayo and Mr. Tafidi Mani display the MoU after the signing

ACADEMIC PLANNING PREPARES FOR ACCREDITATION OF 19 PROGRAMMES

By Josephine Akarue

Ahead of the official accreditation visit of the National Universities Commission in November, the Department of Academic Planning is taking steps towards achieving a favourable report for 19 programmes.

This is coming after the submission of the exit report and recommendations of the mock accreditation team to the Senior Vice President Academics, Prof. Philemon Amanze.

The team followed the NUC's assessment guidelines and stipulations in their report.

At the officers' briefing with the departmental stakeholders and the mock accreditation team,



Prof. Philemon



Prof. Clara Okoro makes a point during the exit report.

Prof. Amanze stressed on the need to take the recommendations seriously.

"The report is a wake up call to all stakeholders to do the appropriate thing. It is good because it helped us to x-ray ourselves and be prepared for the real thing," said Prof. Amanze.

He added that some of the recommendations were already captured in the

2022 budget and currently undergoing implementation.

Director of Academic Planning, Prof. Oludele Awodele represented by his deputy, Dr. Obinna Okoro, is also optimistic that the recommendations would be implemented on schedule.

Besides the NUC, Babcock programmes also go through the scrutiny of

the Adventist Accrediting Association (AAA) and International Board of Education, IBE.

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- Prof. Amanze



Prof Amanze (left) receives report from



Prof. Ezekiel Adeniran gives his response to a point. Top right is Dr. Obinna Okoro



TRCN INDUCTS 77 FACULTY INTO THE COUNCIL



A cross section of the inductees take their oath of allegiance as Registrar/Chief Executive, TRCN, Prof Josiah Ajiboye (right) administers the oath.

By Godwin Ugbaka

The University celebrated two professors and 75 other faculty as it hosted the 2nd induction ceremony into the Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria (TRCN), March 24.

Amongst the inductees were the Director of the Centre for Foundational Studies, Prof. James Ogunji and the immediate past Head of Education Department, Prof. Ruth Aderanti.

At the ceremony held at the Babcock Business School Auditorium, President/ Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola Tayo urged the inductees to reflect the values learned in the classroom in line with the training which was to better equip them for impact.

"You must learn more ways to be good teachers and pursue knowledge until you get to the grave," he said.

Similarly, the Registrar/Chief Executive, TRCN, Professor Josiah Ajiboye encouraged the inductees to continue to learn and re-

learn new things and see themselves as global teachers capable of performing anywhere in the world.

"The teaching profession is no longer an all comers' affair. The Council will continue to support the teaching profession to reclaim its lost glory," he said.

Dean of the School of Education and Humanities, Professor Abiodun

Adesegun, also lent his voice. He said any nation that wanted to be great, must embrace the education of her citizens.

"No country can develop without education, and no education is successful without good teachers," he noted.

For Prof. Ogunji, it is a fait accompli.

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A cross section of the inductees celebrate the moment. Top right is Dr. Tolani Williams, Associate Vice President Student Development and faculty in Education department. Next to her is Dr. Babatunde Adebua and Prof. James Ogunji.



Prof. Philemon Amanze (left) presents Prof. Abiodun Adesegun with list of inductees as Prof. Ademola Tayo and TRCN Registrar, Prof. Josiah Ajiboye watch.



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"It's a mission accomplished because anybody can be a teacher, but you have to be licensed to be recognized as a professional," he said.



Pictured left: Prof. Ruth Aderanti receives her certificate. Top right: Prof. James Ogunji receives his from Prof. Ajiboye.



Council Registrar, Prof. Josiah Aiboye in white robe with Prof. Ademola S. Tayo on his left and Prof. Philemon Amanze (6th right) with other officers and inductees.

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- Prof. Josiah Ajiboye

ZAMBIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER SHARES EXPERIENCE WITH BU GRAD CLASS



By Josephine Akarue

Members of the Onyx Graduating Class applauds as Dr. Solomon Jere (left) shares his experience.

The Zambian High Commissioner to Nigeria, His Excellency, Dr. Solomon Jere made a strong case for youth involvement in leadership and diplomacy as they prepare for the future.

His message marked a high point of the Onyx Graduating Class Week, ***The Experience*** held at the University Sports Complex.

Dr. Jere, accompanied by the President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo and other officers, told the class to seize the moment and maximize opportunities the week offered.

“Take advantage of the Career week and pray to God for direction,” he said. “You need necessary skill sets to face the world. Whatever you do, be diligent.”

Onyx Grad Class President, Getrude Egwuekwe (l) assisted by Prof. Ademola Tayo and Dr. Esther Adejumo, presents gift to Dr. Jere.

According to him, leadership and diplomacy come with responsibilities.

“Don’t rush for money. There’s a way that may seem right to everyone, but the end is death,” he added.

Those interested in a career in diplomacy, he said, could tow the path through training and building experience while volunteering in Embassies.

“Challenges may come your way but God can use these as drivers to achieving your goals,” he said.

For example, he said though he dreamt of becoming a pilot, his becoming a Policeman, Lawyer and Diplomat, were providential.

As a law enforcement officer, he said he helped foreigners in his country understand the Zambian constitution, customs and migration policies.

He believed this, besides faith in God and diligence, played a key role at his diplomatic appointment.

Beyond shared experience the programme offered a Mass Communication student,

Thandiwe Gogo-Peters, the possibility of pursuing a career in diplomacy as a press attaché to the High Commission on graduation.



Prof. Ademola Tayo and Dr. Solomon Jere (6th & 7th left) with Class Sponsor, Dr. Adekunbi Imosemi (2nd left) and other officers at the event.





Prof. Ademola Tayo (left) and His Excellency Dr. Solomon Jere (2nd left) with other officers visit the Certi Consulting stand at the fair.



Dr. Jonathan Dangana

ONYX GRAD CLASS JOB & CAREER FAIR

By Josephine Akarue

To hone their employability skills and competitive advantage, the Alumni Department hosted the annual Job and Career Fair for the Onyx Graduating Class.

As usual, the Fair which is part of the Class Week, attracted several national and international employers of labour besides regional representatives of foreign-based institutions.

Amongst these were: New Horizon, KPMG, Guaranty Trust Bank, Jumia Delivery Services, Certi Consulting Ltd and Nestlé.

President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola Tayo, encouraged the students to take full advantage of the programme to better position them for the job market.

This year, some of the participating organisations came with higher expectations and additional packages.

"We have a package which is a certified project management course. We hope the students will take advantage of it," said the

Assistant GM, Sales & Marketing for New Horizon, Africa, Mr. Victor Ogunbiyi.

Alumni Director, Dr. Jonathan Dangana believes that as long as the students maximize the opportunities this programme offered, they will be more

than ready to face the world and conquer their vulnerabilities.



Prof. Tayo leads HE Dr. Solomon Jere and others to the Nestlé stand and the New Horizon team (top right).



The Jumia team receive Prof. Tayo and his team. Below: The GT Bank team.



The KPMG team at the Fair



BABCOCK HOSTS 4TH EDITION OF PRINCIPALS & PROPRIETORS' CONFERENCE



Participants listen with rapt attention at the conference as Prof. Adesoga Adefulu makes his presentation.



By Josephine Akarue

How can educational administrators rise above the challenges of the rapidly changing society to create suitable learning environments in their institutions?

This was the crux of the presentations at the Marketing Department's Principals and Proprietors conference.

The Dean of the Joel Awoniyi School of Education & Humanities, Prof. Abiodun Adesegun and three others, made their recommendations at the event which attracted over 50 participants across South West Nigeria.

"Education remains one of the biggest tools of development in the 21st Century and we are dealing with the millennia generation with short attention span and information overload," said Prof. Adesegun. "We need to think outside the box and be creative to engage them."

To facilitate learning, he recommended the use of audio-visual aids, creating right classroom ambience as well as catering for children with special needs and providing access to internet.

In his paper, *Secondary School Administration & Sustainability in this Challenging Time*, the Head of Business Administration & Marketing Department, Prof. Adesoga

Adefulu, noted that enriching teachers' effectiveness through training and adopting new ways of dealing with challenges were key components of sustainability.

"Make your students and institutions a brand; set a high tone through meeting national educational target," he said.

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Interaction session with Prof. Abiodun Adesegun (right).



Participants listen as Dr. Patience Chioma makes her presentation.



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Director of Marketing & Communication, Dr. Joshua Suleiman also advocated building strong brand identity and management as instrument for sustainability.

Besides sustainability, the conference offered participants information on Babcock University admission requirements as well as on the Joint Admission & Matriculation Board, JAMB new protocols.

On behalf of the Registrar, Prof. Jonathan Nwosu, the Deputy Registrar, Dr. Patience Chioma, gave guidelines on achieving the desired programme of study.

"I found the conference very Informative and enlightening," said Mr. Henry Igugu of Kingsfield College, Lagos. "It enhanced my understanding of dealing with administrative challenges and acquiring 21st Century innovative skills."

Senior Vice President Management Services, Prof. Yacob Haliso, thanked attendees for their participation.



Clockwise: Prof. Yacob Haliso (3rd left) and the presenters (l-r): Dr. Grace Makinde, Prof. Abiodun Adesegun, Dr. Patience Chioma, Prof. Adesoga Adefulu and Dr. Joshua Suleiman.

Prof Haliso presents participants with certificates after the conference.



Prof Yacob Haliso and Dr. Joshua Suleiman with participants and some of the conference organizers

PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



The main campus was a kaleidoscope of colours as the Onyx Graduating Class members and sponsors turned out to celebrate their week with a rally, dinner and other activities.

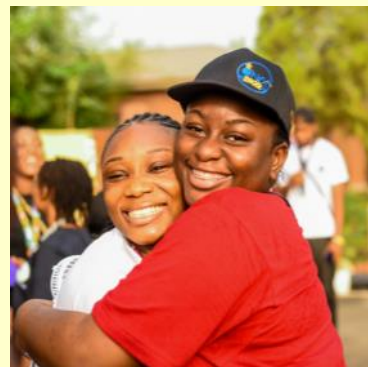
Some of the University's principal officers came out to support them. Pictures capture the faces and scenes at the rally.



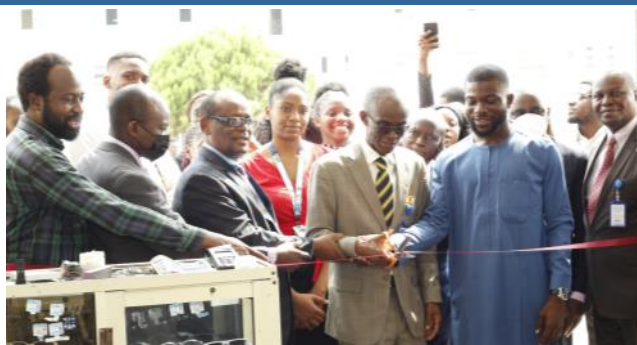
ONYX GRAD CLASS RALLY



Prof Ademola Tayo and other principal officers came out in solidarity with the Onyx Grad Class during their rally. With them are the Class sponsor, Dr. Adekunbi Imosemi and VP Student Development, Dr. Sunday Audu (4th and 5th left).



PRESIDENT/VC COMMENDS BUSA EXCO & SPONSORS



Prof. Tayo and officers at the project commissioning.

By Godwin Ugbaka

The President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo has commended the leaders and sponsors of the Babcock University Students Association for the BUSA House secretariat and shopping complex renovation and expansion.

At the unveiling of the facility, he said he was impressed with the initiative which he described as “uncommon.”

“By this singular decision to add value to the University’s infrastructural development, they have shown that they are great leaders,” he said.

BUSA Sponsor, Dr. Seun Ebiesuwa said the BUSA 2021/2022

administration has become a pace-setter and renowned for project completion and adding value to the University.

Dr. Ebiesuwa said the renovation also involved repairs, repainting and furniture replacement.

BUSA President, Christian Umeh

thanked God for the project completion.

“I thank God we are not known for abandoning projects or owing contractors,” he said. “I’m also elated over this project commissioning made possible through the collaborative support of the University administration, sponsors and students.”



Prof Ademola Tayo and officers with BUSA Sponsor, Dr. Seun Ebiesuwa and other executives.



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- Risk of Alzheimer
- Risk of stroke and other cardiovascular disease.
- Levels of low density lipoprotein cholesterol among healthy people.



FACTS

NIGERIA

- Nigeria is one of the largest film producers in the world.
- It has the largest economy in Africa.
- The town, Igba Ora in Oyo State is known for the highest birth of twins in the world.

CORRECTION

The Dean of School of Basic Medical Sciences is Prof. Oluseun ADEBAWO not Adebawojo as reported in our last edition. We regret the error and any embarrassment this might have caused him.