

Sasse Alumni Association Inc

"An Alumni Association of the Ex-Students of St. Joseph's College,
Sasse-Cameroon" A 501(c)3 Charitable Organization



Thursday, May 23rd, 2019

NEC Resolution on Complaint regarding Treasurer's fraudulent use of credit card

Fellow SOBANS,

On Tuesday May 21, 2019, the National Executive Committee (NEC) of Soba America met to consider a report submitted by our legal counsel on the use of a credit card belonging Ms. Jane Doe by our Treasurer, Chief Fomenky to pay membership dues of at least 15 members. After the NEC of SOBA America listened to the detailed report prepared by two Soban lawyers, it was evident that we had to act promptly to protect SOBA America from a potential lawsuit or investigation, protect our image and integrity, and to send a strong signal about what we stand for as Sobans.

After deliberating on this matter and asking tough questions, NEC resolved to take appropriate actions given potential negative impact Chief Fomenky's actions could plunge our association into. The National Executive Council spoke with one voice with a unanimous resolution by all present on the call to take steps to protect SOBA America and our interest.

The decision by NEC to seek legal counsel was to ensure we act appropriately given the gravity of the situation. That is why NEC members endorsed the recommendations contained in the report with just one modification. While the report clearly states NEC has the powers to take someone out from running for office based on our bylaws and the laws governing non-profits in the state of Georgia, NEC declined taking this move and left it up to the General Assembly to decide given the findings of the report.

In that spirit, NEC approved the following recommendations from legal counsel who took into account our association's interest first before that of any other person:

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1. Soba America refund all the charges that were made on Jane Doe's credit card,
2. Soba America issue an official apology to Jane Doe,
3. The National Executive Committee of Soba America recommend to the General Assembly of Soba America to declare Chief Joseph N. Fomenky ineligible to run for any office in Soba America, and
4. Chief Joseph N. Fomenky be required to produce the names of members whose dues were paid using Jane Doe's card so that they be contacted to regularize their status with the organization.

NEC passed a resolution upholding the recommendations above with the slight modification referring the eligibility to run for office to the General Assembly and not NEC for the final decision. While NEC offered an opportunity for Chief Fomenky to exit gracefully given the report, it will be tabling the matter before the general assembly to make a determination on this issue and a way forward.

Sobanly Yours,

Mbei Enoh,

Secretary General – SOBA America