

**Swedish-Zambian Association**  
**Minutes from the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**March 9, 2013**  
**at Ethiostar Restaurant, Stockholm**

§ 1. Chairman Magnus Halling opened the Annual General Meeting, welcoming all present.

§ 2. The meeting approved that the AGM was announced in due time.

§ 3. The meeting adopted the agenda.

§ 4. The meeting elected:

- a) Magnus Halling as Chairman for the AGM.
- b) Lennart Simonsson as secretary for the AGM.
- c) Marianne Svanström and Åsa Knutsson to certify the minutes.

§ 5. Mr Halling presented highlights from the board's Annual Report for 2012, noting the big loss the Association suffered with the passing of Chairman Rolf Svanström in July. The year 2012 was the final year of the Mindolo Youth Project, which focuses on human rights for youth. The project has required a lot of hard work from many people including Mr Svanström, Mr Halling and Elisabeth Persson, the treasurer. During 2012 the Association paid 16,887 kronor as voluntary contribution.

Youth clubs operate at seven secondary schools. Parents and teachers have also expressed interest in learning more about gender, HIV/AIDS and human rights.

As mentioned in earlier AGM reports communications with Zambia have at times been difficult, and our local partner Mindolo Ecumenical Foundation (MEF) has not been able to fulfil all its obligations. In 2012, this resulted in failure to secure necessary documents and audit reports to apply for an extension of the project, and the board opted to withdraw an application for a new period. In addition to the extra work, such an extension would likely have required a different approach to comply with terms set by Forum Syd.

To help complete the final report, youth coordinator Bruce Mubanga was to be paid by the Association for the first quarter of 2013. Local partner MEF has hired him for the rest of 2013.

Mr Halling visited Mindolo shortly before the 2013 AGM, and was well received.

Edith Mutale was named new Zambian ambassador in March 2012.

§ 6. Treasurer Elisabeth (Lisa) Persson presented the Financial Report for 2012. The Association had 101 members or families who had paid their dues for 2011 and/or 2012, but membership fee payments have continued to slip. Nine members who had not paid their dues since 2010 were struck off the membership list, two members have left, while three joined during 2012. Overall, membership was not expected to increase.

The Association raised 9,050 kronor in membership fees, compared to 15,950 kronor in 2011.

Fundraising activities continued and 13,371 kronor was raised for the Mindolo Youth Project, which was used for the voluntary contribution together with the remaining 3,824 kronor from 2011.

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Funds have been reserved for auditing.

The Association posted a profit of almost 3,500 kronor for the year; the balance was 47,830 kronor.

One issue of Newsletter was published at a cost of about 3,200 kronor.

The audit and compilation of final reports for the Mindolo Youth Project will generate extra work for the board (especially the treasurer). The Financial Report listed various audit costs, and use of funds. The Mindolo Youth Project has received 384,000 kronor from Forum Syd for 2010-2012 of which 40,000 kronor is SweZam's voluntary contribution. During 2012, 148,000 kronor were dispersed.

§ 7. Auditor Paula Maritz read the Auditors' Report, which lauded the good order in the books. The auditors recommended that the outgoing board should be held free from liability.

§ 8. The Auditors' Report was adopted by the meeting.

§ 9. The Annual Report and Financial Report were adopted by the meeting.

§ 10. The outgoing board was held free from liability by the meeting.

§ 11. Budget and membership fees.

The meeting approved to keep membership fees unchanged (200 kronor/family, 150 kronor/individual, 100 kronor/student) for 2013.

No detailed budget for 2013 had been prepared as costs for the Association's activities were expected to be limited, including the Newsletter (one issue) and membership in Forum Syd.

The incoming board was asked to handle funds accordingly, and contributions were invited. An idea to be explored was to channel funds directly to the Mindolo Youth Project, for instance workshops for parents or youth.

§ 12. Kerstin Fagerlund of the Nominating Committee explained how she and Staffan Uddeholt (who expressed apologies for being unable to attend the AGM) had contacted dozens of members since their appointment in August 2012, but had not managed to find any new nominees. However, some board members were willing to stay on and complete the final report and audit work for the Mindolo project but were unable to take charge of exploring possible new activities. A five-member board was therefore proposed.

Election of members to the Executive Committee:

a) Magnus Halling, chairman, was elected for 1 year.

b) Elisabeth (Lisa) Persson, treasurer, was re-elected for 2 years.

Hanna Eckeskog was elected for 2 years.

Åsa Knutsson was elected for 1 year.

(Lennart Simonsson had 1 year left on his term)

c) Karl-Johan Sonnegård was re-elected as auditor for 1 year.

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Paula Maritz was re-elected as auditor for 1 year.

Tell Åke Dahllöf was re-elected as an alternate auditor for 1 year.

d) Nominating Committee: Kerstin Fagerlund was re-elected for 1 year, Karin Forslund (formerly Johansson) was elected for 1 year. Staffan Uddeholt would be asked if he could stay on a year.

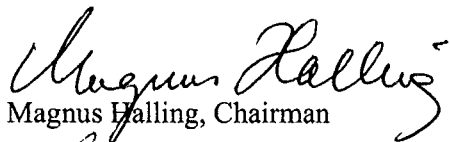
The AGM expressed its deep appreciation over Treasurer Elisabeth (Lisa) Persson's willingness to help complete the final report. The meeting also thanked outgoing board members Eva Dalekant, Karin Forslund (formerly Johansson), as well as Hanna Eckeskog and Åsa Knutsson.

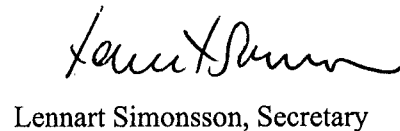
§ 13. In Staffan Uddeholt's absence, Kerstin Fagerlund presented some ideas on how the Association could work in future. A working group would be formed to explore ideas and possible cooperation partners such as Fredens Hus in Uppsala which works with human rights issues in the spirit of Dag Hammarskjöld, Rosendalsgymnasiet in Uppsala, and perhaps the Folk High School in Vadstena. The working group: Kerstin Fagerlund (convener), Staffan Uddeholt, Göte Frid, Carin Hörnsten, Siw-Inger Halling, and Ingemar Lindaräng.

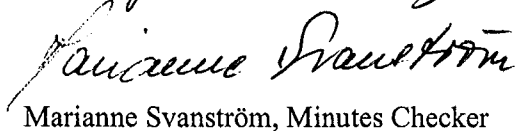
§ 14 Magnus Halling gave a presentation of the Mindolo Youth Project and shared photos and video clips from his visit in February 2013. A recurrent message from youth, parents and Mindolo management was that the project had helped boost self-esteem and knowledge among participants. There was a clear desire to ensure that the youth project continues in some manner.

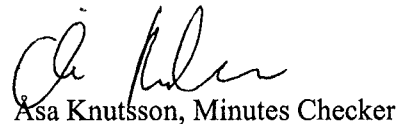
§ 15. No members had sent in any proposals as specified in the AGM notice.

§ 16. The chairman closed the meeting, thanking all who attended.

  
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