



Grupo Desportivo e Recreativo de Manica
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RE: General Assembly

As mandated by the University of Johannesburg to observe the Annual GDM General Assembly, I hereby provide a few comments and general observations:

1. The Assembly realised on 17 December 2011 from 09:00 to 12:30
2. Mr Americo Lino acted as President of the 'Mesa de Assembleia'
3. GDM General Secretary, Xavier Razão provided a comprehensive Annual Report accompanied by a PowerPoint presentation. The report was transparent and easy for the community to grasp and interact with.
4. A financial summary was provided. In future the GDM Directors could consider printed hand-outs and data that is easily grasped by members of the public, in order to give them a better chance to interrogate figures.
5. I was impressed with the interaction amongst various stakeholders, especially representatives from District and Provincial Government structures.
6. Considering most community members walked to the meeting and that it was raining, turnout was impressive. I did note that the majority of participants at the Assembly were male, perhaps at the end of 2012 effort could be made to invite and encourage more girls and women to join in the forum.
7. I concur with the Provincial Director of Sport who mentioned that GDM is 'unequaled in Central Mozambique' in terms of process and organisational capacity. Since GDM legally belongs to the community, the Assembly seems to be the foundation of all organisational accountability and transparency.
8. I particularly note that the financial year has been officially changed to span 1 January – 31 December.
9. I also specifically note that Schalk van Heerden will cease to function as the Vice-President of GDM in an attempt to bolster local ownership and initiative. I understand Mr. Van Heerden will serve as Vice President of the General Assembly in future.
10. I advise that the PowerPoint Report, Minutes of the Assembly and list of participants be published on www.fcmanica.com under the 'transparency' tab.



11. I would also mention Foundation for a Safe South Africa for availing Quickbooks software that will be used in GDM as of 1 January 2012.
12. I note that I donate as 'value in kind' 11 working hours at a rate of \$ 170 per hour for setting up and teaching the new financial system.
13. Lastly, I thank the University of Johannesburg for bearing my travelling costs.

Yours Faithfully

A handwritten signature in red ink, appearing to be "Jean Struweg", written in a cursive style.

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