

Maliwatch EC Meeting Minutes

October 3rd, 2009

Approved December 5, 2009

Were present: Harouna Maiga, Fanta Ongoiba, Aliou Haidara, Ibrahim Yattara, and Abdoul Niang.

1. Meeting was called to order by Harouna at 12:15 PM Eastern time.
2. Secretary's report: Abdoul presented the minutes from the last meeting with the board of directors (9/5/09). Some amendments were made by Aliou Haidara (M/S/P): Motion to approve the minutes was raised by Abdoul and seconded by Abdoul. Secretary's report was unanimously approved as amended
3. Treasurer's report – Ibrahim reported \$9,415.00 in the account with only one transaction made to pay the quarterly MW web site maintenance fee of \$26.45. Ibrahim proposed to pay this fee annually instead of quarterly to save time. The treasurer's report was unanimously approved as presented.
4. Old business
 - a. Revisions of MW by-Laws to broaden the executive committee – Two new positions were added to the by-laws to broaden the leadership of Maliwatch and prepare active members to set up to different posts. The vice-treasurer and vice-secretary positions were added (section 8 of by-laws). Also article 6 section 6.1 (project definition) was slightly modified to reflect that a project of Maliwatch should be always defined as MW project and should not bear the name (s) of project leader (s). Revised by-laws will be fully discussed at MW annual meeting DC and voted on for approval.
 - b. Maliwatch Annual meeting January 8-9, 2009, Washington DC. This date was approved by the board of directors and may change with future annual meetings. It was discussed that MW annual meeting be held at different localities in US or Canada. This will allow a better reach out to members and recruiting new members.
5. New business

- a. Maliwatch general Assembly meeting – Saturday October 24, 2009 – Update of members about MW activities. This meeting was approved by the executive committee and Harouna was to arrange for HiDef Conferencing connections.
4. Meeting was adjourned at 1:20PM (Eastern).