

# **KASESE UNITED HUMANIST ASSOCIATION**

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2010

29th December 2010

The Executive Director

Kasese United Humanist Association,

The General Body

Kasese United Humanist Association,

The Executive Committee

Kasese United Humanist Association,

Appointed staff, Ladies and Gentlemen.

With specific reference to article 4 clause 10 which mandates me to present to you an annual report, I therefore wish to present to you the Report as here under.

## **1. INTRODUCTION :**

As you are already aware, Kasese United Humanist Association (KUHA) is a community based organization set up in June 2009 on the foundation of science and Humanist principles and values.

Members allow me to extend your gratitude to the Founder Mr

Bwambale Robert for the sleepless time he has offered to model this association the way it is by linking it to many freethinkers locally and internationally. The teaching to spread the Humanist Philosophy amongst our people will continue.

People should become free from the various dogmas and indoctrinations that have long time shadowed minds of many people on planet earth. There is a need to progress the Humanist and science philosophy to a vast majority of humanity.

The humanist philosophy has been welcomed by very many people who have similar views and thinking, Humanism has been looked at to offer good principles and setting of moral and ethical standards of people both on the local and international scene.

## **2 . OBJECTIVES**

As few as we were formed the following objectives which have been embraced by you since 2009.

- To promote Humanism and Free thought amongst people in our community.
- To encourage our society to get involved in science education in Uganda.
- To support implementation of government policy in matters concerning health, human rights, food nutrition and environment.
- To encourage our people to develop a reading culture in reading a wide variety of book resources, magazines and journals.

However we are looking forward to also to achieve other objectives at the same time promoting those so far embarked on. The objectives are as below:

- To initiate income generating activities to people in our communities so as to alleviate poverty, ignorance and disease. Examples of these projects are going to be Tailoring, Computer Training, Driving & Auto Mechanics, Arts & Crafts making, photography, Hairdressing & Salon Operations etc.
- To initiate a nursery and primary school in Kasese municipality preferably next year as we reported in our last annual report and there after extend to other parts of the district and western Uganda.
- To sensitize our people on matters of Human rights, Environment, Matters of Personal hygiene, nutrition and disease control and this to be done by holding seminars, workshops and camps.

### 3. MANAGEMENT OF THE ASSOCIATION:

The Kasese United Humanist Association has got a 9 Member team of the Executive Board headed by the Executive Director. Mrs Kabugho Annet And Baluku Yusuf were elected out of the management team of the Association during this year 2010 due to the following reasons:

- (I) Kabugho Annet failed to actively attend the Associations meeting for more than 5 times
- (i) Baluku Yusuf did not comply to with more than 5 principles of Humanism and I am happy to report to you that in 2010 the Executive team stood as below:

The Executive Team is indicated in the table below:

no.	Name	Current occupation	Designation in KUHA
1	Bwambale Robert	School Director	Executive Director
2	Mulekya Edison	Civil Servant/Stores	Chairperson
3	Labong Ruth	Parish Chief	Deputy Chairperson
4	Magwano george	Civil servant/Accountant	Secretary
5	Masika Grace	School Teacher	Treasurer
6	Mbabazi florence	Hotel Chef	Committee Member
7	Masereka David	Teacher	Committee member
8	Christopher Kibaya	Civil servant	Committee member
9	Bolingo makanika	Civil servant	Committee member

### 4. PROGRAMMES FOR THE ASSOCIATION:

Kasese united humanist association under the funding from the pockets of the executive director, the KUHA Chairman, Atheist Alliance International plus all our foreign friends and your general contributions as members, we have managed to achieve the following.

- Renewal of the Organization with the local authorities.
- Opening up of Associations web page on the worldwide web to effect easy and faster spread of information on humanism, our organization activities and

to ease the international community know about our existence. The web address is [www.kuhauganda.webs.com](http://www.kuhauganda.webs.com) in add to this we have a blog at [www.kaseseunitedhumanistassociation.blogspot.com](http://www.kaseseunitedhumanistassociation.blogspot.com)

- The Association opened a Public Library in November last year which is stocking free thought literature, books on humanism and science. Members of the general public are continuing to utilize this facility.
- The number of members is now at 35 and the Association still welcomes new members.

### **OUR MAIN PROGRAMMES:**

Kasese United Humanist Association (KUHA) programmes are being tackled one by one depending on availability of resources to run the planned programme. The main programs include:

#### **1. Education**

- Public Library & Information Centre,  
Establishing Humanist Schools in Kasese District and western Uganda.  
Establishing Vocational Skills Centers,  
Sesitization on Humanism and Science.

#### **2. Human rights and Good governance**

- Sensitization on Human rights issues  
Human rights freedoms, violations and injustices

#### **3. Environmental awareness, conservation and protection**

- Sensitization on protection and conservation of the environment.  
Establishing of tree nursery beds, botanical gardens and open green spaces in our local towns.

#### **4. Nutrition , Health and Sanitation.**

- Sensitization on domestic basic hygiene and sanitation.  
Promotion of organic farming  
initiate safe water availability to people in our communities

#### **5. Sustainable Agriculture.**

In the year 2010 we have been active in our main programme of Education where we have labored a lot in getting more text book resources in our library and supporting a school called Kilembe Valley Humanist Primary School which was initially begun by one of our member by the names Baluku Yusuf and in September 2010, the Executive Director through his international connections requested Atheist Alliance International to assist and send a team of volunteers to come teach at the Kilembe School.

A team of 4 volunteer teachers on 4th September reached the country and were welcomed at the Entebbe International Airport by the KUHA founder, Chairperson and Mr Baluku Yusuf. The names of the volunteers were as below:

- Edan Kurzweil from Los Angeles, Calofornia USA
- Christina Joy Smith from Florida, USA.

- Mike Nolan from Ottawa, Canada
- Daniel Rosenberg from Ngau Chi Wan ,Hong Kong in Asia.

The volunteers were well received by the Kasese United Humanist Association members and also the local population of Kasese. The purpose of the volunteer's coming was to boost our teaching staff at the Kilembe School.

The volunteers reported at the Kilembe School on 6th.September 2010 and taught the children for a period of 3 months, their teaching at Kilembe was appreciated by both the teaching staff and the parents, in the course of the term 2 parents meeting were held and the volunteers attended all of them. Some thing unusual happened in Kilembe in the course of the term and the major cause of these un usual was Mr Baluku Yusuf who showed bad behaviors and professionalism in co-running the school with a team from Kasese United Humanist Association.

He lacked transparency and good ethical values, a lot of mistakes were made, a lot of meetings were held in an effort to rectify the situation of mismanagement and Yusuf being pin pointed by the teachers themselves and the AAI KUHA volunteers but he could not listen, after negotiations had failed the volunteers advised that Baluku Yusuf is not the right guy to work with if the school is to exist for long.

In an Executive Meeting held at the KUHA Shelter, the usual venue where we normally hold our members meetings, Both Yusuf, Bwambale Robert plus all the members were called to explain to the board what transpired in Kilembe and the members resolved that Kasese United Humanist Association should withdraw from the Kilembe School and instead identify another location to open up a school that is fully run and managed by the Association . The member voted out Yusuf to seize from being a member of Kasese United Humanist Association since he failed to make a formal apology in the presence of all the members. In the months of late November,the AAI/KUHA volunteers headed by Daniel Rosenberg and Edan Kurzweil joined us in our search for the location where we we were to relocate the school. The new school name was discussed by the members and came out with **KASESE HUMANIST PRIMARY SCHOOL** and this information was passed to Atheist Alliance International.

Through our members contribution ,we started holding fund-raising to mobilize funds to rent out the properties of the defunct Uganda Railways Corporation . Our International friends also responded to our call and made public our request and this assisted so much in realizing good amounts of cash that gave us a push to pay rent, purchase class desks, buy paint, make chalkboards, doors, windows,iron sheets, construct toilets, connect tapped water,organize a kitchen and purchase some school text books to mention but a few. More information about the school can be found on the school website at <http://www.kasesehumanistschool.webs.com>

## **6.SUCSESSES:**

- In addition to the successes of the previous year in 2009, Membership Registration into the Association has steadily increased and we now have a membership of 38 Active Members.
- The Certificates of Registration has been renewed.
- Our organization has got a wide publicity even in the international press and this is because of our presence on the World Wide Web where people all over the world have got to know more about us.
- The organization managed to open up a bank account with an international bank called Barclays Bank of Uganda Limited.
- The association has acquired a total of 50 Plastic Chairs, a donation by the Founder of the organization.
- The Association visited a number of school to teach about the Environment, Humanism and Science and the schools where we visited were so happy by what we did.

## **7. Challenges**

- During the year 2009, we could not manage to go around the District Sub county and visit as many schools as we had earlier planned as we were having limited finances in our treasury.
- Science and Free thought books, books on Agriculture plus the raw materials and equipments to use in our planned projects like the vocational skills center are not yet realized.
- We lack a vehicle, motorcycle for better mobility especially when in the field, we spend a lot on hiring or boarding public transport
- We lack scholastic items that we could give to the needy and orphaned children in the Kilembe School.

## **8. PLANNED ACTIVITIES IN THE FUTURE**

- To lay a strong foundation of Humanism and Science among students by moving around in both secondary school and tertiary institutions in Uganda by encouraging opening up of science clubs in schools.
- To establish more schools set up on Humanist values and ethics in order to wide spread free thought & Science to all people in our communities. Kasese Humanist Primary School is going is planned to open Early Next year.
- To sensitize our local communities on domestic hygiene and sanitation, initiating safe water availability to people.
- promotion of Organic farming.
- To sensitize our local communities on conservation and protection of environment and establishment of tree nursery beds, botanical gardens etc.
- To sensitize people on Human rights and Good Governance by raising a voice on all forms of injustices especially on domestic matters, civil liberties, homophobia and human rights freedoms.

## 8. 2010 BUDGET PERFORMANCE & APPROVAL OF 2011 BUDGET

The budget for 2010 here below was projected to sail the Association through a period of 12 months. It was therefore not exhaustive of the items you would think we should have budgeted for because we knew our sources of financing were still meager depending on the number of members so far recruited into the association.

Dear members, allow me now to present to you the budgetary provisions for the year 2010. The New budget is yet to be finalized and it has the following heads for which funds are required:

- Renewal of KUHa registration
- Office rent
- Office renovation
- Lavatories
- Provision of office furniture and equipments
- Provision of a mobile office equipment
- Provision of office equipments maintenance
- Office running stationery
- Recruitment of new members
- Capacity building for the Association
- Utilities like water and electricity bills
- Public library concerns
- Kasese humanist primary school requirements
- Salaries for Kasese united humanist association appointed staff.
- Salaries for teachers and non teaching staff at Kasese humanist primary school.

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ITEM	Quantity	Unit Cost	Cost in SHS	Cost in US \$
Renewal of Registration certificate for KUHA organization <b>SUB TOTAL</b>	2 Certificate	15,000=	30,000=	<b>6</b>
Office Rent	2 Rooms Period of 12 Months	50,000=	<b>600,000=</b>	260
Office Furniture: Table Plastic chairs <b>SUB TOTAL</b>	1 30	120,000= 180,000=	120,000 540,000 <b>660,000</b>	<b>286</b>
OFFICE EQUIPMENTS Punch Stapling machine Meter rule	3 1 1	6,500= 4,000= 2,500=	19,500 4,000= 2,500=	

Staples	12 Packets	1,000=	12,000=	
Ink	4 Cans	3,000=	12,000	
Padlocks	5	5000=	25000	
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>			<b>63,000=</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>STATIONERY</b>				
Paper reams	4	12,000=	48,000=	
Pens	200 pieces	3000=	60,000	
Mark Pens	1 dozen	6,000=	6,000=	
Flip Chart	1 piece	15,000=	15,000=	
Cash book	1	12,000=	12,000	
Receipt book	2	5,000=	10,000	
Payment voucher	2	3,000=	6,000=	
Envelopes	4 packet	2,500=	10,000=	
Postage stamps	Whole sum	40000=	40,000=	
Visitors Book	1	6,000=	6,000=	
Head pins		10,000=	6,000=	
Printing / Photocopy	Whole sum		10,000=	
& Scanning	Whole sum	50,000=	50,000=	
Printing member Ids	100 IDs	2,500=	250,000=	
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>			<b>523,000=</b>	<b>227</b>
MAILING ADDRESS	P.O Box 58 Kasese	40,000=	<b>40,000=</b>	17
WEBSITE OPENING	Kaseseunitedhumanist.webs.com	Whole sum	200,000=	<b>86</b>
SIGN POST Making	4	70,000=	280,000=	121
BOOK SHELVES	For the library	85,000=	<b>85,000=</b>	<b>36</b>
UTILITIES	20 jerry cans weekly	Duration of Twelve	<b>96,000=</b>	
Water bills	each at a cost of 100 =	months	144,000=	
Electricity	12,000 = monthly	Duration of Twelve	36,000=	
Bulbs	12	months		
		3000=		
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>			<b>276,000=</b>	
LAVATORIES	800 , 15 pieces monthly	12,000= x 12 months	<b>144,000=</b>	
Tissue paper	1 Kg of Detergent			
Soap	4 Bottles Each at 7000	6,000= x 12 months	72,000=	
Vim		7000	28,000=	
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>			<b>244,000=</b>	<b>106</b>
<b>OFFICE RENOVATION</b>				
Water paint	10 tins	5,000=	<b>50,000=</b>	
Oil paint	5 liters	7,500=	37,500=	
office wall	5litre jerricans	5000=	25,000=	
Cement	8 bags	25000=	200,000	
Aggregates	1 trip	40,000=	40,000=	
Sand	2 trips	70,000=	140,000=	
Spades	1 piece	5,000=	5,000=	
Poles	10 poles	6,000=	60,000=	
Nails	4 kilograms	4500=	18000=	
Mats	8 pieces	6000=	48,000=	
Varnish	4 tin vanish	3500	14,000=	
Labor			200,000=	
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>			<b>837,500=</b>	<b>364</b>

<b>MEMBERS RECRUITMENT</b>				
Posters	200 posters	1,000=	<b>200,000=</b>	
Transport of staff/volunteers	3 staff members + .	10000 to and from	360,000=	
Lunch	3 Staff members in the field	villages, once each month	<b>540,000=</b>	
		5,000= each day	<b>1,100,000=</b>	<b>478</b>
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>				
<b>SCHOOL BUDGET</b>				
Renovations	Whole sum		<b>500,000=</b>	<b>217</b>
Toilets – Staff Pupils				<b>521</b>
Painting	Whole sum		1,200,000=	
Shuttering windows				<b>108</b>
Shuttering doors				
Kitchen				
<b>Furniture</b>	Whole sum		250,000=	
School Desks				<b>2,260</b>
Staff room				<b>173</b>
Mats				<b>21</b>
	80 Desks	65,000=	5,200,000=	
	Whole sum	5000=	400,000=	
	10		50,000=	
<b>Text Books</b>	Whole sum	All subjects, vital books required	<b>1,500,000=</b>	<b>652</b>
<b>School House Rent</b>				
<b>Operational Permit</b>	12 Months rent	100,000=	1,200,000=	<b>521</b>
<b>Teachers Salaries Allowances</b>	12 Months	220,000=	220,000=	<b>95</b>
<b>School Communications</b>	8 Teachers	90,000= Monthly	8,640,000=	<b>521</b>
<b>Stationery</b>	Deputy Head Teacher	100,000= Monthly	1,200,000=	<b>626</b>
<b>UTILITIES:</b>	Head Teacher	120,000= Monthly	1,440,000=	<b>434</b>
<b>Water</b>	Whole sum		1,000,000=	<b>43</b>
<b>Electricity</b>				<b>108</b>
<b>Connections</b>	Whole sum		100,000=	
<b>MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES</b>	Whole sum		250,000=	<b>52</b>
				<b>130</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	12 months	10,000=	120,000=	
	Not available at the school	Not available	Nil	<b>\$ 12,372</b>
			300,000=	

Exchange rate information at the time of writing the report December 2010.

1 US \$ = 2300 UGX

The detailed figures for the above budgetary heads shall be presented to you for approval as we begin the new calendar year 2011.

## 9. APPEAL OR REQUESTS

Ladies and Gentlemen, I therefore appeal to you to put in more effort in the implementation of programs and activities that lie before the hands of Kasese United Humanist Association as our motto goes, “Working for the Betterment of Humanity” Many things depicted in our budget most especially the purchasing of school desks did



not go through as we failed to mobilize the needed funds from the school fees collection plus the membership/subscriptions from our members and even through in kind donations from our friends the world over.

We remain looking optimistic for the best this coming year 2011.  
As we close the year, we have a challenge of renovation work at our planned relocation site of the school.

Most of our international friends are aware of this relocation and we are looking forward for the best.

I end this report by thanking all the members of Kasese United Humanist Association to work tooth and nail to ensure we promote the science philosophy and initiate projects that are targeting to relieve our people from poverty, ignorance and diseases.  
Thank you very much for listening to this annual report. Wishing you the best in all your day to day activities, Thank you.

Yours in Free thought,

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CHAIRMAN

Kasese United Humanist Association

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