



Principal Officers at the 2016 Management Retreat, with the VC (inset) speaking at the opening session

“We Shall Continue To Operate An All-inclusive Administration”

– *VC ASSURES*

Members of Bayero University Management Committee ended their four day Retreat in Kaduna on Monday, 2nd January, 2017 meant to evaluate their performance as well as fashion out a workable action-plan for the 2017 session.

Speaking at the opening session, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, said the main purpose of the Retreat was to provide opportunities to critically evaluate “our performances as leaders of Bayero University, especially during the outgoing year; discuss the major challenges facing us as units, as an institution, and higher education in general, and develop action-plan for the coming year and beyond.”

He said the reports to be presented by Deans and Directors at the Retreat would provide additional valuable discussion points that would help develop more understanding and share varied experiences. “It is

belief that your reports will stimulate qualitative discussions leading to ideas and solutions that will be deployed not only to improve our institutional efficiency in teaching, learning and research; but also to increase our institutional competitiveness and global reach.”

“I therefore expect all of us to bare our minds, share our constructive thoughts, and offer any suggestions in respect of any presentation or report not only to enliven the discussion but also to enrich the outcome of this Retreat,” the Vice Chancellor remarked.

Prof. Yahuza said having served as Vice Chancellor for 16 months, “I want to seize this opportunity to thank all those who have made the heavy burden lighter and more bearable.” He said his overall objective in the next four years was to utilize the material and human resources that were accessible in improving the quality of teaching and learning process.

MDCN Increases BUK Dental Programme Quota to 20

By Abubakar Yusuf

The Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria (MDCN) has reviewed and therefore increased the Bayero University's Dental programme Quota from 10 to 20 students. This was contained in a statement from the council dated December, 14, 2016 and signed by its Registrar, Dr. A. A. Ibrahim.

“I write in response to your letter Ref. No. BUK/VC/MDCN/001 DATED 22ND November, 2016, and to inform you that Council is satisfied that the Faculty of Dentistry of Bayero University, Kano, has more than the minimum standard of both personnel and

equipment required for the training of more Dentists. In view of the above, your request for the upward review of the quota allotted to the Faculty of Dentistry has been granted and is hereby reviewed from ten to twenty,” the letter reads in part.

The Council further charged the University to continue to uphold standard. “It is therefore hope that you will continue to uphold the standard to ensure quality training in the Faculty, with resultant production of Dental surgeons that will promote the National Oral Health Policy,” the statement added.

BUK Football Coach Reveals Secret Behind Winning NUSSA Trophy

By Nura Garba

The senior coach of staff football team, Ibrahim Isyaku Ibrahim, has identified team work, commitment, determination and the quest to write the name of Bayero University in gold as factors that led his team to win the most coveted football trophy at the just concluded Nigerian Universities Staff Sports Association (NUSSA) Games hosted by the National Open University of Nigeria, in Kaduna.

The Coach, who spoke during an interview on Thursday, 5th January, 2017, said his team enjoyed good working relationship with the technical crew, especially his assistant, Mustapha Mohammed Sheikh. He said there was also a good understanding among players.

Coach Alhajji, as fondly called, said that the team was motivated by the Director of Sports, Professor Rabi'u Mohammed, Chairman Sports Consultative Committee, Prof Musa Garba and the respective deputy directors, Technical and Games, Malam Usman Salihu and Dr. M. Y. Waziri in the Sports Directorate.

He said they came with a well-designed programme for the team and with the cooperation and the zeal of the players they were able to accomplish their mission of winning the exalted trophy.

Coach Alhajji expressed appreciation to the University management for its unflinching support to the athletes and appealed for more motivations in order to uplift the standard of sports in the university.

It could be recalled that the BUK Team defeated Federal

University of Lokoja 1-0 in the first match and thrashed Delta State University, 4-0. In the quarter final, BUK Team mauled Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai 2-0 and walloped the host University, NOUN 5-4 in the semi-final through penalty shootout after the regulation time ended 1-1. In the final, BUK beat University of Jos 3-1 to clinch the most cherished trophy.



Senior Football Coach, Ibrahim Isyaku Ibrahim

APPOINTMENTS

Dr. Ahmad Abdurrahman Appointed Ag. Head of Anesthesiology Department

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has approved the appointment of Dr. Ahmad Abdurrahman as Acting Head of Department of Anesthesiology and Intensive Care, Faculty of Clinical Sciences.

An appointment letter signed by the Vice Chancellor Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello dated 3rd January, 2017 stated that the appointment is for two years, effective from 1st January, 2017.

While congratulating him the Vice Chancellor urged him to work hard to justify the confidence reposed in him.

Dr. Aliyu Salisu Barau Appointed as Head of Department of Urban & Regional Planning

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has approved the appointment of Dr. Aliyu Salisu Barau as Head of Department of Urban and Regional Planning, Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences.

An appointment letter signed by the Vice Chancellor Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello dated 30th December, 2016 said the appointment is for two years commencing from 1st January, 2017.

While congratulating him the Vice Chancellor charged him to work hard to justify the confidence reposed in him.

SEMINARS

Department of Biochemistry: *Departmental PG Seminar*

M. Sc. Completion Seminar

Presenter: Rabi Abdu (SPS/13/MBC/00021)

Topic: Isolation and characterization of L-amino oxidase from *Naja nigricollis*

Supervisor: Dr. Binta Kurfi

PhD Completion Seminar

Presenter: Musa Bashir (SPS/11/PBC/00002)

Topic: Inhibitory effect of some Nigerian medicinal plants on the activity of *Naja nigricollis* venom phospholipase A₂

Supervisor: Prof. MS Sule

MPhil/PhD Course Work Seminar

Presenter: Hajara B Yusuf (SPS/15/PBC/00013)

Topic: Pathogenesis of Newcastle disease virus

Supervisor: Dr Muntari Bala

Chairman: Dr Aminu Muhammad (Exam Officer, Department of Pure and Industrial Chemistry)

Date: Tuesday, 10th January, 2017

Venue: PG Class Biochemistry Department.

Department of Microbiology: *2015/2016 Session (Second Semester) Seminar*

M.Sc. Proposal Seminar:

Presenter 1: Oluwayemisi B. Awofuyi (SPS/15/MMB/00030)

Topic: Isolation and Biodegradation Studies of Bacteria and Fungi associated with Pesticide – treated Soils in Kano State, Nigeria

Supervisor: Prof. A.H. Kawo

Specialization: Environmental

PhD Proposal Seminar:

Presenter 2: Hauwa Muhammad Aliyu (SPS/15/PMB/00015)

Topic: Detection of Extended Spectrum Beta – Lactamases among Multi-drug resistant Enterobacteriaceae isolates from patients with Respiratory Tract infections

attending some Hospitals in Kano and their sensitivity to *Petroselinum crispum* extracts

Supervisor: Dr. M. Yusha'u

Specialization: Medical

Presenter 3: Aisha Kabir (SPS/15/PMB/00009)

Topic: A study on Exopolysaccharide and Yoghurt production using Lactic Acid Bacteria isolated from some fermented foods

Supervisor: Dr. Shamsuddeen Umar

Specialization: Industrial

Presenter 4: Aisha Bello Mahmud (SPS/15/PMB/00014)

Topic: Bioleaching of iron impurities from Kaolin and silica sand in Northern Nigeria

Supervisor: Prof. A.H. Kawo

Specialization: Environmental

Chairman: Dr. Bashir Mohammed

Date: Thursday, 12th January, 2017

VENUE: Microbiology PG Class II (Near Undergraduate Microbiology Laboratory)

Department of Geography: *PhD. Seminar*

Presenter: Bello Umar Sifawa (SPS/13/PGE/00012)

Topic: An Assessment of Environmental Effects of Charcoal Production in North Western Nigeria and its Utilization as Domestic Energy Source in Urban Sokoto.

Chairman: Professor Adamu Idris Tanko

Date: Thursday, 12th January, 2017

Time: 10:00am

Venue: CB 17, Geography Department

NOTE: Attendance for Seminars is Compulsory to ALL MSc I, MSc II, PhD I and PhD II students

Department of Political Science: *Departmental Seminar*

Guest Speaker: Dr. Edryan Wallace, Department of Politics and Government University of Hartford, USA

Topic: "From Brexit to President Elect Trump: The Rise of Extremist movements in western Europe and North-

America”

Chairman: Professor Habu Mohammed, Head of Department

Date: 12th January, 2017

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Haruna M. Salihi Board Room, Department of Political Science

Department of Physical & Health Education:

Notice of Walk for Life

The Department of P.H.E. wishes to remind staff and students of this month's "WALK FOR LIFE PROGRAMME" as follows:

Topic: "WALK FOR LIFE"

Date: Saturday, 14th January, 2017

Time: 7:00am

Venue: Take off point (New Site GYM)

New Products of Bayero University Microfinance Bank 2017

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To be continued next week



Muhammad Salisu weds Rahinatu Hassan

Malam Muhammad Salisu Rabi'u (Manager BUK FM) of the Faculty of Communications invites members of the University community to his wedding fatiha, scheduled as follows:

Date: Saturday, 7th January, 2017

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Galadanchi Masjid, Waziri Gidado Street, Tsohon Gidan Galadima, Gwale Road, Kano.

APPRECIATIONS

Emeritus Professor Dandatti Abdulkadir

His Excellency, Ambassador Emeritus Professor Dandatti Abdulkadir, expresses his profound appreciation and gratitude to the entire members of the University Community and other personalities who attended, sent representatives, made telephone calls and/or offered prayers for the hitch free wedding Fatiha of his daughter, Hussaina Dandatti Abdulkadir, which took place on Saturday, 31st December, 2016 at the Juma'at mosque, BUK Old Campus.

In particular, special thanks go to his Excellency, President Muhammadu Buhari GCFR; the Governor of Kano State, Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje, Alh. Aminu Dabo, the representative of the former Governor, Rabi'u Musa Kwankwaso, Sarkin Kano, Malam Muhammadu Sanusi II, Shehu of Borno; Emir of Katagum, Emir of Kazaure, Mai Damaturu, the Chairman of the Governing Council, Mahmud Yayale Ahmed; and the former Council Chairman, Ambassador Adamu Jumba. Also, special appreciation goes to the Executive Secretary of the National Universities Commission, Professor Abubakar A. Rasheed; Vice Chancellor, Bayero University, Kano, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello and the University's

Principal officers; the Vice Chancellor, National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN), Professor Abdalla Uba Adamu; Alh. Tanko Yakasai, the representative of former Vice President, Arch. Muhammad Namadi Sambo; Alhaji Sabi'u Bako, the representative of Kano Business Community; General Salihi Bashir Magashi; General Lawal Ja'afaru Isah; AVM Mukhtar Muhammad, the families of Malam Aminu Kano; the families of Abubakar Rimi; Alh. Abba Halliru Shetiman Katagum (Rtd) ACG of Customs; Alh. Salihu Abubakar, (Rtd) ACG of Immigration; the Comptrollers of Immigration and Civil Defence; Freedom Radio and many others too numerous to mention.

May Allah (SWT) reward you all abundantly, Amin.

Aliyu Umar Yakasai

Aliyu Umar Yakasai of the Junior Staff Office, wishes to express his appreciation and the kind gesture shown to him by the members of the University community for condolence visits over the death of daughter, Hauwa Ali Yakasai on Thursday, 15th December 2016. May Almighty Allah reward each and every one of them abundantly. Special thanks go to the Director Establishment Matters Mal. Jamilu Salim, Deputy Registrar, Junior Staff Matters, Mal. A. B. Shehu, SSANU Executives and many others too numerous to mention.

