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HALLMARK UNIVERSITY

VISION: THE UNIVERSITY WILL BE OF THE HIGHEST STANDARD, MOUNTING PROGRAMMES OF RELEVANCE TO THE DICTATES OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF NIGERIA AND SUBSAHARAN AFRICA, PURSUING RESEARCH AT ITS VERY FORNTIERS TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE TECHNO-ECONOMIC AND GENERAL DEVELOPMENT OF NIGERIA ND ITS AFRICAN NEIGHBOURS.

MISSION: TO CREATE A WORLD-CLASS UNIVERSITY WITH NNOVATION AS ITS BEDROCK, DEMONSTRATING EFFICIENCY. RAISING QUALITY, PRODUCING AND EMPOWERING ITS PRODUCE TO BE ABLE TO RESPOND TO THE CHALLENGES OF THE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT AND THE GLOBAL CHALLENGES OF DEVELOPMENT, NND TO BE INDIVIDUALS WHO CAN BREAK OUT ON THEIR OWN INTO VARIOUS ENDEAVOURS.

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NEW YEAR STAFF MEETING WITH THE MANAGEMENT

The Vice-Chancellor of the University, Professor Segun Odunola, and other members of Management held a meeting with members of staff on Wednesday, 5th January 2022 to set the agenda for the new year. The meeting, which was held at the University Auditorium, focused on issues regarding the smooth running of the institution for the year. The Vice-Chancellor welcomed members of staff and thanked them for their cooperation in the year 2021 and he encouraged them to be committed to their duties and to support the Management in the drive to achieve the vision and mission of the University. However, he expressed displeasure at the members of staff absent at the meeting despite necessary publicity and stated that absentees would be sanctioned. He reiterated that acts of indolence and indiscipline would not be tolerated.

RESUMPTION/COMMENCEMENT OF LECTURES

The Management, in a statement released by the Registrar, has approved Monday, 21st March, 2022 as the resumption date for the Second Semester of the 2021/2022 Academic Session. The Management stated that students are expected to return to their halls of residence on Sunday, 20th March, 2022 as academic activities will commence immediately.

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DIGITALISATION OF STUDENTS' ACADEMIC RECORDS

The University Management has commenced the immediate digitalisation of Students' Examination records because of the delicate nature of examination records which requires that they are handled with utmost care. Owing to this development, the registration of courses and uploading of results are now fully done online. These results can be accessed by both parents and students. Other units of the University like the Registry and Bursary are in the process of being digitalised.

To aid the smooth transitioning from the manual system to the computerised method, the ICT Unit of the University has been in consultation with the Deans of Faculties, Heads of Departments, Lecturers, and Departmental Examination Officers for training on the basic skills needed to effectively navigate the system.

HU RECORDS SUCCESS IN THE LAST ACCREDITATION EXERCISE

The Departments of Accounting, Business Administration, and Computer Science that participated in the last accreditation exercise have been given full accreditation by the National Universities Commission. The Registrar, Mr. Afolabi Ajayi, disclosed this in a memorandum released on the 16th of August, 2021. The Registrar, on behalf of the Management, sincerely thanked all members of staff who contributed to the achievement of this feat and expressed delight about the development. He expressed his profound gratitude to the founder, Chief (Mrs) L.E. Fowler MFR, the Board of Trustees, and the Council for their support. The Registrar, in his memorandum, also encouraged members of staff to continue to work assiduously to carry on the vision and mission of the institution.

CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF TRUSTEES VISITS THE UNIVERSITY

The newly appointed Chairman, Board of Trustees, Rt. Rev. (Prof.) Dapo Asaju visited the University on the 7th of December, 2021. During the visit, he, alongside members of the University Management team, visited the hostels and inspected the facilities on campus. Prof. Asaju applauded the efforts of the Management on the giant strides that have been recorded since the inception of the University. After the tour, he had a closed-door meeting with the Vice-Chancellor and other Management staff.

HU WELCOMES NEW STUDENTS ON BOARD

A mini-orientation programme was held on Wednesday, 26th January 2022 for newly admitted students at the Faculty of Law Lecture Theatre. The programme was organised to acquaint the newly admitted students with the code of conduct and acceptable behaviours within the university. Resource persons were selected to address the students on various topics. The Dean of Students, Mrs. A. O. Olive-Adelodun, spoke on the acceptable Dress Code for students, while the Director of Academic Planning, Dr. Y. Feruke-Bello, spoke on Student Academic Evaluation System. Also, the Chairman, Admissions Committee, Dr. M. K. Adeyemo, spoke briefly on the requirements for admission. The Senior Assistant Registrar (Student Affairs), Mr. S. O. Opakunle, spoke on the Student Code of Conduct. Mr. Awoyemi, Miss Yetunde Azeez, and the Faculty Officers were also in attendance.

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PARTICIPATION OF HALLMARK UNIVERSITY AT THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF VICE-CHANCELLORS AND REGISTRARS OF PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Segun Odunola, and the Registrar, Mr. Afolabi Ajayi, attended the meeting of the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Registrars which was held sometime in October 2021. The event which took place at Bowen University was attended by many Vice-Chancellors and Registrars of various Private Universities in Nigeria to discuss issues of common interest to the development of private university education in the country.

AGM/INAUGURATION OF THE NEWLY-ELECTED COOPERATIVE CHAIRMAN

A new chairman was appointed for the Hallmark University Staff Cooperative Society (HUSCS), Mr. Ademolu Adenuga of the Department of Sociology. The swearing-in ceremony took place at the 2021 Annual General Meeting held on the 17th of February 2022 at the University Auditorium. The ceremony was colourful and well attended by members of HUSCS.

The newly-installed Chairman was sworn into office by Dr. M. K. Adeyemo, the Chairman of the Electoral Committee. Mr. Adenuga thanked the members of the Cooperative Society for the opportunity to serve and solicited for the cooperation of members.

HALLMARK STAFF RETREAT

The Quality Assurance Committee of the University recently organised a retreat for members of staff at the University auditorium on Thursday, 3rd February 2022. The theme of the retreat was "University Ethics, Method and Practice of Teaching, Examination Matters, Effective Leadership, and Quality Service". Present at the workshop were the Vice-Chancellor and other Principal Officers, Guest speakers, and all members of staff. The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Segun Odunola, in his keynote address dwelt on the need to be dutiful in every given assignment and also noted that the workshop was organised to improve the quality of service delivery to the public. One of the speakers, Mr. Oluwatobi Sami (Production Manager, Nestle Ltd) spoke on "Effective Leadership and Quality Service". Thereafter, Prof. Bolanle I. Akeredolu-Ale (former DVC, FUNAAB) delivered her lecture on "University Ethics". Lastly, Dr. J. T. Bamgbose (Dean, FNAS and Chairperson, Quality Assurance Committee) talked on "Methods and Practice of Teaching and Examination Matters". The programme which started at 9:00 a.m. came to a close at about 1:00 p.m. The University Registrar, Mr. Afolabi Ajayi, rounded off the programme with the Vote of Thanks.

COURTESY VISIT TO THE CHAIRMAN, IJEBU-EAST LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The Management of Hallmark University, ably represented by the Registrar, Mr. Afolabi Ajayi, and the Bursar, Mr. Edwin Okekpe, paid a courtesy visit to the Chairman of Ijebu-East Local Government, Honourable Wale Adebayo, in his office in the spirit of oneness on Wednesday, the 19th of January 2022. The visit was aimed at fostering brotherliness between the University and the Local Government. The Registrar, speaking on behalf of other Principal Officers, stated that the visit would solidify the relationship between the University and the Local Government and also birth partnership between both parties to enable the University give back to the host community. The Registrar noted that the visit was a huge success.

HU FOOTBALL TEAM GETS SPORTING JERSEYS

Tuesday, the 25th of January 2022, was a great day in the history of the University as the final year students of the University presented soccer jerseys to the University football team as a way of giving back to the University Community. The event, which took place at the Vice-Chancellor's office, was graced by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Segun Odunola, and other Principal Officers as well as the Dean of Students and the Director of Sports.

The Vice-Chancellor expressed his appreciation and commended the students for their thoughtfulness and urged them to continue with the good work. He also encouraged them to continue to be good ambassadors of the institution even after graduation.

HEALTH CENTRE: COVID-19 VACCINATION ON CAMPUS

As part of the Management's drive to support the Government to cater for the overall wellbeing of all members of the University Community, a COVID-19 vaccination centre was set up on campus at the Health Centre. The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Segun Odunola, while speaking on the issue, encouraged all members of the University Community (staff and students) to get vaccinated at the health centre.

In another development, the University Management recently employed a Laboratory Technician to manage all Laboratory issues at the health centre. At present, the centre runs basic tests such as the Blood Smear Test and Rapid Diagnostic Test for malaria diagnosis, and Widal test for the diagnosis of typhoid fever, as well as PVC test, Hepatitis B test, Blood group test, Urine testing, Blood sugar test, and HIV screening. The Matron, while commending the Management on the new development, stated that Retroviral screening will be conducted before any medical consultation.

JUBILATION AS HU FOOTBALL TEAM WINS

The University football team has participated in two friendly football matches. The first football match was between the football team of Tai Solarin College of Education and the football team of Hallmark University on the 19th of August, 2021 at Tai Solarin College of Education, Omu-Ijebu. The game, however, ended in favour of the home side. In the second friendly match, HU football team played against the football team of Christopher University on the 3rd of February, 2022. The team won by 6 goals to 2. The Director of Sports, Mr. Ademolu Adenuga, thanked the Vice-Chancellor and members of Management for their unalloyed support to the team.

