



# GHANA BOREHOLE DRILLERS ASSOCIATION

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## GENERAL MEETING

**DATE:** 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2022  
**TIME:** 2:00pm – 5:00pm  
**VENUE:** Careplan, Taifa Station, Accra

## MINUTES

General Meeting of the GBDA

22nd May, 2022

**Total number of Attendees: 22**

The meeting started with introduction of members in attendance. Attendance was taken and 22 attendances were recorded.

The meeting was chaired by Mr. Karikari (Master KK)

### **Matters Arising.**

Laud Paul was the resource person for the presentations on Branding and Web presence. Most of the Points on the agenda was not exhausted and another meeting would be held to finish the agenda. The dates shall be determined and communicated.

### **ID Cards**

Laud Paul gave a presentation on New Branding of the association. He touched on the New ID Cards and explained the security features of Card.

Questions were raised by members about what the benefits of the card would be. Some members wanted to know if the ID Card would enforce that the public engage only registered members of the association.

Responses to this question was that, membership of the association is not compulsory and that if we do our works well and strengthen the association, people will be forced to join without choice especially when the general public begins to recognize and start doing business only registered members of the Association

### **Membership Forms**

There was a demonstration of how to fill membership form online or how to download, print and complete a hard copy form and submit to the Association office. completed forms will be vetted but membership in in 3 stages.

**Stage 1:** Registration to collect list of potential members into a database

**Stage 2:** Pay You Membership dues and Apply for ID Card to authenticate your registration

**Stage 3:** Apply for WRC License through the Association to become a Certified Member (Receive Certificate of Membership)

In effect there are general online or virtual members and there are certified members.

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Some members raised the issue of educational background not being necessary for completing the membership registration.

In response, the house said it was necessary so help us fish out some experts in other fields to our own advantage. The table also said educational background is actually a basic requirement for most registration even though we are not going to use it to limit or look down on any one.

## Borehole Report

The next presentation was about the Borehole drilling report. a sample book was displayed for the house to peruse. It was recommended that all members get a copy of the borehole drilling report book to keep track of the daily borehole drilled for future record.

One member recommended that a borehole drilling App is developed to aid the borehole drilling report collection. Laud responded that, that is in progress only that it times more time and finance resource to develop an App.

Some members also showed concern how data can be collected fully and that not all member will still collect data but they were edged to just do they part and over time, everything else will fall in place.

## Website

There was now a presentation of the Association's newly developed website showing all the main features of the website and the benefits to both contractors and and the public.

Members of edged to go on line to register as members and users of the website to start benefiting from the new system. Some of the benefits outlined and presented to the house are:

1. Access to Information
2. Find a Rig / Rent a Rig
3. Sell or Buy a Rig
4. Training Programs
5. Membership Registration
6. Advertise Your company on the Association Website
7. Display of membership list
8. Online Election (E-Ballot)
9. Online dues payment etc

Peace (Romeo Bamba) added that before we start elections, we need to get the Association office to run administration.

## Election

Elections would be held digitally via an online voting system or through a Short code module. members will be able to exercise their franchise digitally from the comfort of their homes.

Activities and Measures have been put in place to ensure a successful, free and fair election of leadership.

One member raised a concern about how people are just posting on the platforms that they want a position without any commitments at all.

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As a response, A quick outline of the electoral process was reviewed and members assured that All interested aspirants will be duly vetted and screened and shall go through the process before election.

## The processes outlined are:

1. Planning of Election
2. Appointment of electoral committee
3. Nomination of Aspirants
4. Vetting and Screening
5. Tentative Dates for election
6. Campaigning
7. Election
8. Induction of new Leaders and handing over program
9. Other electoral matters

## Other Matters

- One member wanted to be clear about the ID Cards. How the Card orientation will be.
- Another member advocated that there should also be a paper voting system (manual system) and Manual dues payment and other manual processes in place
- Lawrence Boadi (Another member) suggested that when the new registrations are done, a new platform should be formed based on registered members who are in good standing with the Association. He added that we should seek to concentrate on quality and not quantity.
- Another member wanted to be clear on the quality and security of the new ID cards and was told that the ID cards have multiple security features and also are plastic cards.
- Another member suggested that the association do a lot of social responsibility and also pay attention to welfare system to make the association more formidable.
- Another member raised concern that some Rig companies do not come back to fix problems with boreholes after they drill boreholes and there are problems with the borehole.

Master KK finally appealed to the entire membership body to leave in peace and harmony and ensure that we are one family.

The meeting ended successfully at 4:45pm

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Signed

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