

Minutes of the meeting between executive and Shakawe, 4/6/84.

It was decided that the meeting should go ahead in the absence of J. G. and D. M., since it was felt that discussion with those members present would still be productive.

Tim opened the meeting saying that at the executive meeting two weeks ago, it had been decided that the executive should meet with Shakawe to discuss the following problem:

Internal problems in the band were affecting its public image; and its image within Medu, such that people are becoming wary of attending concerts, not knowing if all band members would be present, or if the show would take place at all.

Tim also noted that a problem common to all units at present is that all responsibility is left to certain individuals, resulting in a lack of participation and responsibility in other members.

The following problems particular to Shakawe were discussed by the meeting:

- a manager is to be found for Shakawe; it was felt that it is important that the manager should be familiar with the ideals of both Medu and Shakawe;
- there is not enough discussion within the band about money/venues, eg terms of deals etc.
- it was hoped that a good working relationship will come with the introduction of the SALS-Shakawe management committee.

The following suggestions were made:

- discipline needs to be improved; eg not coming or arriving late for rehearsals and shows, smoking and drinking on stage;
- care of instruments - carrying them to and from shows should be done in a collective spirit;
- self-discipline should be exercised, which will benefit also as an example to others;
- meeting places and times for rehearsals and shows should be thought about in advance, so that everyone knows the situation.

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