



VALOR TO VIRTUE

**Minutes for
Valor to Virtue Board Meeting
Saturday 28th May 2022, 4pm**

Present:

Chairperson, NS, KM

Items Discussed – ordered chronologically

NS provided an overview of programmes in 2021 and early 2022;

1. Education – Dindi graduated, COVID 19 emergency funding provided to the Vipingo Village Fund.
2. Health – Operation completed for young boy and he is currently attending check-ups, so far all has been positive.
3. Conservation – 2 student safaris completed, multiple trainings provided to staff, became corporate members of the friends of Arabuko Sokoke forest, sponsored the Diani Sea Turtle Festival
4. Other – website and logos completed, social media continues to be maintained, have received a few donations.

- Chairperson advises we need a 2-year direction – what to do and where to head.
- The USA and Kenyan website need a donation button for potential donors to send donations to local banks as chairperson is getting requests.
- Chairperson would like to involve Dindi in conservation, show that he is committed to supporting the environment and sustainability.
- In 2022 we will no longer be supporting education or healthcare, unless there is a conservation element/connection.
- Chairperson would like to focus on sea turtle conservation and acquiring private land for habitat preservation.
- Staff on current properties are not currently doing much and need to get more involved in conservation.
- Chairperson would like to implement a greenhouse at the Kilifi property for indigenous species. These saplings to then be given to the community for reforestation projects.
- NS would like quarterly targets to be provided so team have something to work towards.
- KM to meet with Chairperson in Watamu to go over projects and meet with potential partners. Will look at potential property to take over management in effort to ensure it is not subdivided. This could also lead to the implementation of a marine biology conservation centre.
- Desire expressed to help Oceans Alive with their programme.
- KM mentioned that be good for chairperson to meet with Bahari Hai and other groups while in Watamu – chairperson agreed, NS may join.
- NS requested that the mission and vision to be done to help guide us.
- Chairperson mentioned a fish farming and greenhouse project V2V should look in to – KM to investigate further.



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- KM requests that V2V should further collaborate and engage with Friends of Arabuko Sokoke Forest. Chairperson agrees. Chairperson would like to implement bridges along Kilifi's main road, needs to be further investigated to see if needed.

KM has been asked to work on the following;

- a. Mission/vision statements
 - b. 2-year plan
 - c. To choose 3 projects/organisations to work on/with
- Chairperson interests are turtle, elephants and colobus, habitat preservation and bee keeping.