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Office of the Dean of Students

MEMORANDUM

FROM:

Dean of Students

TO:

The Student Fraternity

REF:

TUK/DVC-ASA/DoS/COMMUNICATION TO STUDENTS/VOL 1

DATE:

20th February, 2024

SUBJECT:

COMMUNICATION TO STUDENTS

Our attention has been drawn to the picketing and disruption of normal University operations by a section of the students on 20th February, 2024. We have established that the main concerns that led to this unrest are as follows:

- (i) The Case of the late Jephter Mwani Makana
- (ii) Constitutional Review 2024
- (iii) The re-opening of the Students Centre

After extensive consultations and discussions with the relevant stakeholders, our office hereby communicates to the student fraternity as follows:

(i) On the case of the late Jephter Mwani Makana

We have contacted the family and they have requested that we allow them to get back to us concerning when it is appropriate for staff and students of the university to visit them. All other arrangements are in place awaiting their guidance.

(ii) On the matter of Constitutional Review

We have established that the review is on course and it will follow the process below:-

- a) The Draft SATUK Constitution is set for discussion by the committee tomorrow Wednesday 21st February, 2024;
- b) This will then be presented to the students for public participation and engagement. All bona fine TU-K students will have the chance to provide feedback on the Draft SATUK Constitution;
- c) The committee will then collate and incorporate the feedback from the students;
- d) After which the committee will finalize and conclude the review process and prepare the Draft SATUK Constitution for official enactment and promulgation; and
- e) Finally, the Electoral Board will commence the 2024 SATUK Election Process.

(iii) The re-opening of the Students Centre

The Vice Chancellor appointed a Student Centre Caretaker Committee to oversee the process of repairs and maintenance at the Students Centre, and to come up with the criteria for tendering and award of lease contracts to the next service providers. The committee has commenced work on the Terms of Reference and we have established that tender documents for supply of repairs materials at the Students Centre has been opened and evaluation is underway. The repair works is expected to commence next week. All other processes are on course.

Lastly, our Office would like to discourage students from engaging in unlawful acts that jeopardize the peaceful conducive academic environment at all times. We instead encourage you to embrace dialogue as a method of resolving any emerging concerns.

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