

The Third Gusii Educational Conference

New Brighton Family Service Center,

New Brighton, MN 55112

July 11-12, 2008

Theme: Engaging the Gusii Diaspora to enhance the education condition of the Gusii child

Master of Ceremonies – *Richard Ogandab*

Friday July 11, 2008:

- 9:00 – 9:30 AM **Arrival/Registration**
- 9:30 – 10:00 AM **Opening Remarks and Introductions**
Opening Prayer – *Pastor Peter King’oina*
Welcome Remarks – *Nyachae Ondimu*
Introduction of GEAR Select Committee - *Kennedy Gisemba*
- 10:00 – 11:00 PM **Paper Presentations (Session I)**
 - The impact of 2007 post-election violence on education in Gusii, *Orpha Ong’iti*
 - Role of politics on Gusii Education, *Thomas Nyambane*
 - Role of religion on Gusii Education, *Enock Obuba***Overview & Moderation** – *George Agoki*
- 11:00 – 12:00 AM **Keynote Address**
Introduction of Keynote Speaker - *Tabitha Otieno*
Keynote Address - *Amos Abuga*
Q&A
Moderators – *Margaret Obaga & Joash Omandi*
- 12:00 – 1:15 PM **Lunch**
Introduction of Luncheon Speaker, *Ibrahim Oenga*
Luncheon Speakers - *Lynette Nyabuto*
Q&A Moderators - *Harrison Koroso, Ibrahim Oenga*
- 1:15 – 1:30 PM **Break**
- 1:30 – 2:30 PM **Paper Presentations (Session II)**
 - High and Low Performing schools in Gusii: Evidence from the teachers, *Tabitha Otieno*
 - KCPE and KCSE District performance and poverty rates: An individual district trend analysis, *Joshua Bagaka’s***Overview & Moderation** – *George Agoki*

2:30 – 3:15 AM

GEAR Progress Reports

Current GEAR Initiatives - *Matunda Nyanchama & Laban Opande*

GEAR future prospects - *Joshua Bagaka's*

The GEAR Constitution - *Laban Opande*

Q&A Moderators - *Martha Ochako*

3:15 – 4:15 PM

Open Interactive Session

Moderators – *Paul Morande*

4:15 – 4:30 PM

Conclusions

Concluding Remarks, *Omari Onyango and George Agoki*

Closing Prayer, *TBA*