

# Education is Life- FUK Pro-Chancellor

By Daure Yakon

**T**he Chairman Governing Council Federal University of Kashere, Professor Williams Aderonmu has expressed optimism on the capability of Nigerian Universities to solve most of the problems in the country, if given the necessary support and made a top-most priority.

Professor Aderonmu who made the assertion while on a familiarization visit to the Government of Gombe State, reiterated the importance of knowledge and education in general in enhancing development. He added that “education is life, and Universities can provide solutions to most of Nigeria's problems”, he said.

The Pro -Chancellor further appealed to the State and Federal Governments, Non Governmental Organizations and Individuals to put hands on deck to curb the issue of power supply bedeviling Tertiary Institutions.

He also congratulated the State as one of the fast growing states in the Country in its strive to thrive educationally, and maintaining peace and relative Security and applauded its efforts in meeting the needs of the Institution whenever being called upon.

The Chairman further expressed gratitude to God for the honour and privilege bestowed on him to chair the Council of the University. He therefore perceived the opportunity as a huge task and promised to work assiduously in making FUK a renowned citadel of learning and contribute his quota to the development of Gombe State and the Country at large.

In a remark, the Deputy Governor of



**Professor Williams Aderonmu**

Gombe State, Dr Manasseh Daniel Jatau (Phd) who represented the Governor, appreciated the visit, adding that the administration of Governor Inuwa Yahaya is committed towards enhancing education in the State.

The Deputy Governor re-iterated the administrations readiness to relate and give assistance to FUK whenever it is called upon. He disclosed that the Government is partnering with other agencies to improve power supply in the State, this according to

him will boost the morale of the academia in the State and reduce criminality, especially amongst youth.

Dr. Jatau further called on the academia to rise beyond just teaching, but also engage in meaningful research that will solve social problems, encourage the youth to enroll into Tertiary Institution and to adequately utilize the consultancy service directorate in sourcing for funds than solely relying on Government for effective sustainability.

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**Cross section of 5th Council Members**

In the same vein, the Governing Council visited Akko Emirate Council to familiarize and introduce themselves as the newly inaugurated Governing Council of the University.

The Chairman who stated that the visit was to demonstrate respect and pay homage to whom honour is given. According to him, Royal fathers are a pillar and are responsible for cordial relationship between the University and the host communities.

In his remark, the Lamido of Akko, His Royal Highness, Dr. Umar Muhammad Atiku who appreciated them for the visit, thanked the Vice Chancellor and Management of the University for always recognizing and involving the Emirate Council in the activities of FUK.

Dr. Umar Muhammad also stated that this cordial relationship has resulted to a lot of youth in Akko Province resorting to FUK as their preferred choice for studies.

He therefore assured the Chairman of continuous support, partnership and cooperation to take FUK to greater heights. He also called on all stakeholders to put hands together in making the Cottage hospital, Kumo become FUK Teaching Hospital for its Medical students

due to proximity a reality.

Similarly, the delegation further visited Kaltungo Emirate Council where the Vice Chancellor introduced the newly inaugurated Council Chairman and its members.

The Chairman who stated that it is a great opportunity to have fatherly advice from such a vast individual who has travelled far and wide the globe, assured to give their best.

Professor Aderonmi who described FUK as a baby to the Emirate Council, expressed optimism that the young citadel of learning will under his leadership

become one of the best in the Country in two years.

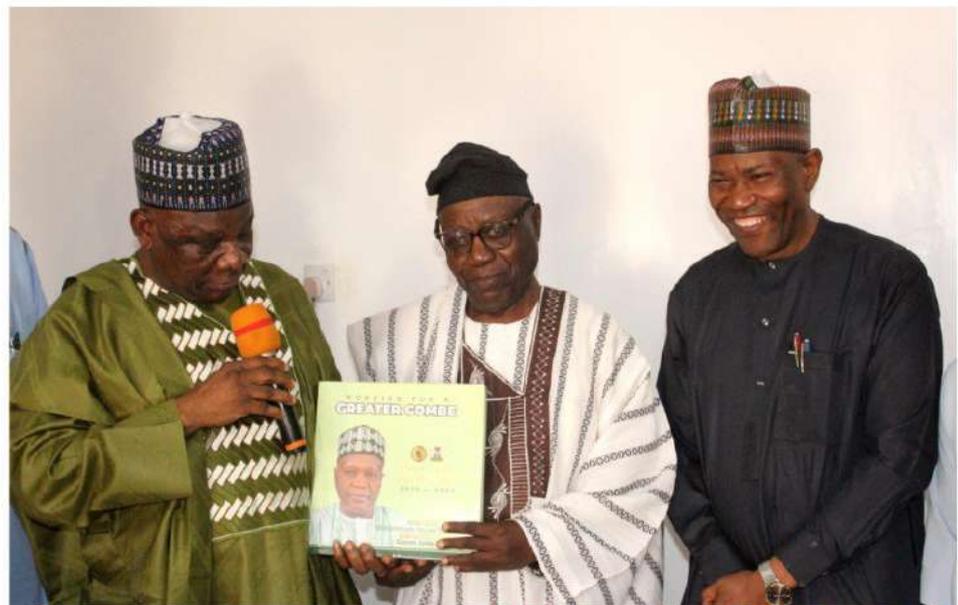
In his response, the Mai Kaltungo who is also the Deputy Chairman, Gombe State Council of Emirs and Chiefs Engr. Sale Muhammadu thanked the delegation for the visit.

Engr. Sale Muhammadu who outlined farming and education as the two most valuable dominant practices in the Emirate, said with appointment of Professor Aderonmi and Professor Pate as Pro –Chancellor and Vice – Chancellor, respectively will unravel grey areas in the University Educational System.

He therefore assured them of maximum security and peaceful atmosphere to operate, as the region is banditry, kidnapping and Boko haram free.

In the same vein, the delegation was also at the Palace of the Emir of Pindiga, Alhaji Dr. Muhammad Seyoji Ahmad on the same mission.

In his remark, the Chairman, Prof. Williams Aderonmu commended the Royal Father for his fatherly support to the University and appealed for more. Responding, Dr. Muhammad Seyoji Ahmad applauded them for the visit and



**Deputy Governor presenting the score card of HE. Inuwa Yahya to Pro-Chancellor**

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acknowledged the efforts of the Vice Chancellor Prof. Umaru A. Pate for bringing more developmental project into the University.

He particularly appreciated the establishment of FUK Radio which broadcast its programmes in local languages, and assured of his continued support to the University.

Earlier, the Vice Chancellor Prof. Umaru A. Pate who introduced the entourage said were in his palace to intimate him on the development and seek for blessing.



**Cross section of FUK Council Members and Gombe State University Mgt.**

**4<sup>th</sup> Council, congregation, Senate elects representatives**

By Hassan Kwami

The congregation of Federal University of Kashere has elected its representatives into the University



**Prof. Umaru A Pate**

Governing council. The election which was conducted peacefully during the 8th meeting of the congregation held at the Entrepreneurship center where Dr Muhammad Umar of Economics Department and Hajia Aisha Babayola from Registry Department emerged winners.

Declaring the results of the election, the Chairman of the Electoral Committee, Prof. Mustapha Alhaji Muhamman said Dr Muhammad Umar scored 102 against Dr Muhammad Sharif

Ramadan who got 79 votes while Hajia Aisha Babayola emerged unopposed following the stepping down of Mrs. Janet Ibrahim Ezekiel in the spirit of unity and togetherness. In his remarks shortly after the announcement of the results, the Vice Chancellor Prof. Umaru A Pate commended the congregation for the maturity and display of sportsmanship during the process.

He expressed optimism in the capacity and intellectual ability of the members elected in view of their track records and experiences, describing the caliber of people appointed as external members as people of integrity and high profile personalities with vast experiences. While pledging his support to the governing council, Prof. Pate further explained that the Pro-Chancellor is a humble person with vast experience and knowledge, expressing hope that FUK will continue to grow and remain on top in the ranking of universities.

Meanwhile, the Senate of the University also elected four representatives into the governing council during their sitting in the

Senate Chamber. Those elected are Prof. Shehu Usman Hassan, Prof. Peter Buba Zirrah, Prof. Muhammad Sale Jamal and Dr B a s h i r Abdullahi.



**Prof. M. A. Muhamman**

The Governing Council which is the highest decision making body in the University administration has soon commenced sitting.



**Vote counting**

# VC Emerges SNB Pioneer President

By Hassan Kwami

The Vice Chancellor Federal University of Kashere Professor Umar Alhaji Pate, has emerged as the pioneer president, Society of Nigerian Broadcasters (SNB). While taking oath of office as the new President of the Society, he re-iterated commitment to strengthen the relationship and bridge the gap between academics and Broadcasters in the Broadcasting industry.

The SNB pioneer President who acknowledged that institutions are built on the sweat of pioneers, also said as the newly elected officials of the society they were aware of the task bestowed on them, and as such will do their best to lay a solid foundation for the Association, in order to become an institution that will serve the Broadcasting industry and formulate



**Newly elected SNB President receiving the certificate**

policies that will protect the integrity and interest of professional Broadcasters. He added that formulating good policies for the Association will go a long way in influencing training for the next generation of Broadcasters, and as well give the

audience the desired content.

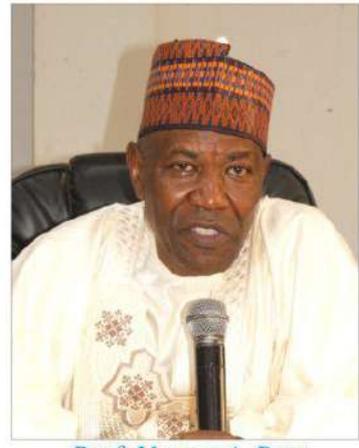
The Vice Chancellor who thanked the founding fathers, leadership of BON and members of the Association for their doggedness and commitment towards ensuring the progress of the Society, also expressed willingness to work as a team in order to take the society where it ought to be. Earlier the Chairman of the Electoral

Committee (ELCOM), Engr. Yomi Bolarinwa declared Professor Pate as the winner having secured the highest votes of 231, as against his opponent Mr. Matthew Okoduwa who got the total of 12 votes.

# FUK Congregation holds 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

By Felicia Dangabar

The congregation of the Federal University of Kashere has held its 8th meeting with a call on members to contribute positively and



*Prof. Umaru A. Pate*

promote the good image of the Institution. The call was

made by the Chairman of the congregation who is also the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Umaru A. Pate, said the management is ready to provide enabling environment and support staff who wants to attract grants or embark on project that will promote the name of the University.

He took time to enumerate his



**Cross section of FUK Congregation**

achievements in the six areas of focus of his administration as he has spent more than three years out of his five years tenure, saying he was able to make significant progress in all the areas.

The Vice Chancellor announced that many projects are expected to commence soon which includes, the proposed microfinance Bank, new Senate building, two faculty

buildings, road network and more students' hostels as well as takeoff of the College of Medical Sciences among others.

While urging the entire staff to work towards protecting the integrity of the University by maintaining quality and excellence, the Vice Chancellor also reiterated his position of zero tolerance for examination misconduct and other illicit

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**Cross section of FUK Congregation**

behaviours on Campus. He also added that the University visibility has improved significantly while number of students who use to choose Federal University of Kashere as their preferred choice is always increasing, attributing it to the commitment and dedication of the staff and students, urging them to maintain the tempo. Highlight of the meeting included cultural display by some ethnic groups and presentation of the Vice Chancellor's score card by the Director of Academic Planning Dr. Muhammad Umar.

**FUKashere opens tender for library intervention projects**

By Hassan Kwami

**T**he Federal University of Kashere has opened tender for library intervention projects.



**Prof. Santaya Larit Kela**

The technical and financial tender was for 2022, 2023 and 2024 merged intervention projects.

Declaration the exercise open in the Senate Chamber of the University, the Chairman the Tender's Board who is also the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Umaru A. Pate commended TETFund for its constant support to the universities in the Country. Represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor Academic, Prof. Santaya Larit

Kela, the VC also appreciated the contractors for the confidence in the management by partnering with them in execution of projects. He urged those who will be successful to execute the projects in accordance with the specifications for optimal benefits. Unveiling the tender box, the head of procurement unit of the University, Mr Abubakar Sadiq, said the projects which was earlier advertised consist of three lots. The lots included procurement of library books, supply and installation of various journals, e-books and reference materials as well as supply and installation of

computers and library equipment. While displaying the submissions by various companies, he also lauded TETFund for sending its representative to monitor the exercise. In his comment, the Chairman of National Union of Librarian Gombe State Chapter, appreciated the transparency in the conduct of the exercise and described library as an essential area in the University.



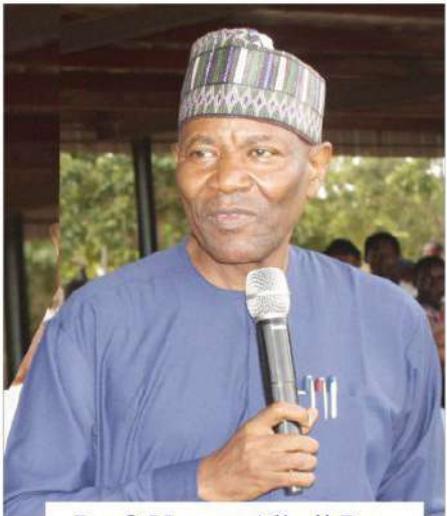
**Cross section of FUK Mgt and Contractors**

# Tradition isn't Anti-modality\_VC

By Daure Yakon Billy

The Vice Chancellor, Federal University of Kashere, Professor Umaru Alhaji Pate has called on humanity to imbibe values that can foster development be it traditional or modern.

Professor Pate who made the call while delivering a paper during the First National Conference of Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Gombe State University with the theme "Value System and Core Challenges in the Contemporary Global World" said 'tradition is not anti modality, but should blend with values that are advanced and modern'. He opined that value system and traditional modalities are beliefs, practices and norms which the society cannot do



Prof. Umaru Alhaji Pate

without. He added that values gives identity and shapes culture as a people, while in values subverts and take a society

backwards. The Vice Chancellor further stated that values are not only held by individuals, but there are societal values that should be upheld in order to transit from certain cultural practices which often become obsolete due to time and era.

Professor Pate added that modality is shifting from traditional to modern societal values. This he said can only be achieved through the use of innovative spirit to connote advancement. He therefore cautioned against misunderstanding the concept of Science and religion, stressing that ethics which is the moral guide of any given society is derived from religion, culture and morality.



Fulani Student Dancers



Tiv and Tangale Student Dancers

## SNB Holds First National Conference

By Daure Yakon Billy

The Society of Nigerian Broadcasters (SNB) in collaboration with the Broadcasting Organization of Nigeria(BON) has held its first National Conference on 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of August 2024 at Nicon Luxury Hotel, Abuja. The Conference which was themed "Broadcasting and the Political Economy of Content in the Digital Age. The Nigerian perspective" had in attendance high profile individuals in the Broadcast Industry, Academics and Stakeholders. Notably amongst the attendees were the

Minister of Information and National Orientation, Alh. Mohammed Idris, State Minister of Environment, Iziaq Adekunle Salako, Executive Secretary Nigeria Press Council, Dr. Dili Ezughah, Director General Nigerian Television Authority, Comrade Abdulhamid Denboss. Director General Voice of Nigeria, Jibrin Ndace, Director General

Federal Radio Corporation of Nigeria, Director General Nigeria Broadcasting Commission, Charles Ebuebu and of



# SRC gets new Leadership

By Dalhatu Abubakar

Comrade Sahabo Abdulkadir of Mass Communication Department has been sworn in as the new President of Students Representative Council (SRC).

Comrade Sahabo who is currently the president of Mass Communication Students Association (MACOSA) was inaugurated as the second president of the SRC in a colourful event at the convocation square of the University yesterday.

In his remark during the event, the Vice Chancellor of the University, Prof. Umaru A. Pate congratulated the outgoing team for their achievements and keeping the Campus peaceful, advising the new President to consolidate on them.

He reiterated his commitment to students welfare, citing the new hostels and other infrastructures all aimed at providing a conducive learning environment for the students.

The Vice Chancellor also described the students of the University as best and worthy ambassadors of the University that he is always proud of, praying for their success.

Prof. Pate while urging the new President to live up to expectations as managing diversity is always challenging, he also assured of his support to enable him succeed.

On the cultural dances that also featured during the event, the Vice Chancellor commended all the ethnic groups who exhibited their cultural heritage, describing FUK as true Federal University that accommodate various cultural groups across



**Comdr. Sahabo Abdulkadir**

the country.

In his acceptance speech, the new President, Comrade Sahabo Abdulkadir, expressed gratitude to the Vice Chancellor for his mentorship and moral support, promising to live up to expectations.

He described his nomination as a mark of honour and called for the support from the members who share common thoughts and ideas to bring about the desired change in lives of the students.

Earlier, in his farewell speech the outgoing president, Comrade Abdur'ul Auwal commended the Vice Chancellor for promoting students activities

on Campus and for the provision of more learning facilities in the University.

He also appreciated the support and guidance by the dean of students affairs Dr Babawuro Yahya and the Staff adviser Dr Bashir Abdullahi Gaddafi and thank the students for their cooperation throughout his tenure.

The oath of office was administered to the President by Barr. Al'amin Muhammad of legal Unit of the University as witnessed by Many well-wishers including the father of the new President, Alh. Abdulkadir Kumo.

Highlight of the event was cultural dances from, Tangale, Yoruba, Tiv, Fulani, Hausa and Nupe students' cultural troupes.

## NYSC sensitizes prospective corps members

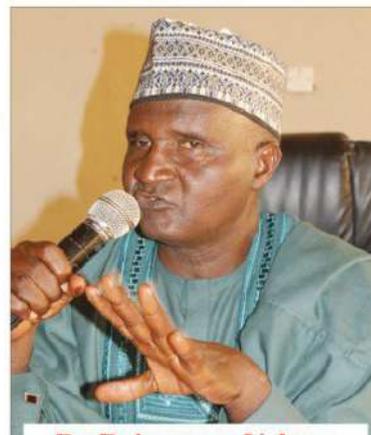
By Hassan Kwami

The Gombe State Secretariat of the National Youth Service Corps NYSC has organized sensitization workshop for the prospective Corps members in Federal University of Kashere.

In his opening remarks, the Dean of Students Affairs, Dr Babawuro Yahya thanked NYSC for partnering with the University in sensitizing the prospective Corps members.

He said the expected number of Corps members from the University has increased significantly in view of the introduction of more departments and programmes and stable academic calendar by Prof. Pate led administration.

The Dean also reiterated the University's determination to provide more hostel accommodation(s) for students and urged the participants to be attentive for the success of the Programme.



**Dr Babawuro Yahya**

Earlier, the NYSC mobilization officer, Aliyu Datti Umar who gave the statistical update of the mobilization, said FUK started mobilizing students from 2016 with 163 Corp members but now about 3, 522 prospective Corps members would be mobilized in 2024, and advised them to behave themselves well to maintain the positive records of the University at NYSC Secretariat.



**Taking Oath of Office**

## NYSC sensitizes ...

In his presentation, the Deputy Director Redeployment and relocation, NYSC Gombe, Mr. Oine Emmanuel described the scheme as one of the successful programmes of the Federal Government which was aimed at promoting unity and integration.

He said the scheme was necessitated to address the problem of ethnic suspicion after the country's civil war so as to inculcate discipline and develop common ties among the youth.

He said participation in the scheme was mandatory for every Nigerian who graduated below 30 years of age and is not a military or para-military personnel, urging the prospective Corps members to ensure proper documentation at the recognize cafes to avoid unnecessary mistakes.

Mr Emmanuel further advised them to have a functional email addresses and phone numbers and ensure uploading their credentials during online documentation including marriage



**Cross Section of Students**

certificate for married women. While preparing their minds for the regimented life for 21 days in the Camp he also informed them that each person is expected to learn at least one skill from the camp for a better life. In a vote of thanks, the deputy

Dean of Students Affairs, Dr Habiba Usman congratulated the prospective Corps members for their successful graduation and advised them to be good ambassadors of the University and to obey the rules and regulations of the scheme.

## SNB Holds ...

course, the Vice Chancellor Federal University of Kashere, Professor Umar A. Pate, among others.

In an opening remark, the Minister of Information and National Orientation, Mohammed Idris, who was represented by the Executive Secretary Nigerian Press Council (NPC) Dr. Dili Ezughah described the theme of the conference as apt. He encouraged media practitioners to navigate there new role, especially in this digital age and introduce new economic ways of

generating revenue for effective practice and sustenance.

Dr. Ezughah also charged them to invest in locally made contents that represent the Nigerian values and identity as a nation. He called on both the Government and Public to come together in order to breed a trustworthy digital policy where content creators can be engaged positively, as according to him Broadcasting is a powerful tool that can be used to re-shape the thinking Faculty of Nigerians.

The Executive Secretary noted that digital age has democratized content production which has led to proliferation of misinformation, as such, the political economy should not be only about who controls the waves but should also be about who controls consumption.

He therefore expressed optimism that the conference will equip the participants with the desired knowledge and skill to take the nation's broadcasting to the next level and as well illuminate the public on



**President receiving the certificate**



**VC and other dignitaries at the occasion**

# ISSAN Organizes Walima for members

By Hassan Kwami

The Islamic Studies Students Association of Nigeria ISSAN FUK Chapter has organized graduation Walima for its final year students.

The event which took place at the Lecture theatre 5, attracted well-wishers and family members of the graduating students.

In his remark, the former level coordinator of the final year students, Mallam Tijjani Abdullateef Aremu expressed gratitude to Allah for witnessing the day and congratulated the students for their successful graduation, urging them to be agents of change in the society.

He said as representatives of Islam, the challenge ahead of them are enormous, advising them to remain good ambassadors



*President of ISSAN FUK Chapter*

of the religion wherever they find themselves.

Earlier, the outgoing President of ISSAN, Ustaz Mujaheed Abubakar expressed

gratitude to Allah for the accomplishment, describing the day as a memorable one.

He advised his colleagues to put what they have learned into practice and appreciated their Lecturers and other staff of the department for their guidance and support.

Mujaheed further advised the remaining students to take their studies with seriousness and desist from participating in any act that will attract sins in the name of graduation activities such as parties and other related events.

The Walima also featured recitation of the Holy Qur'an by Zayyad Abdulmuminu and Nusaiba Nuhu Yakubu.



*A cross section of Celebrants and well wishers*



# FUK Cooperative Society Holds 6<sup>TH</sup> OGM

By Dalhatu Abubakar Ahmed

The Federal University of Kashere Staff Multi Cooperative Society Limited held its 6<sup>th</sup> Ordinary General Meeting (OGM) recently, at the Entrepreneurship and Service Learning Centre. The meeting was attended by members of the Society, who gathered to discuss ongoing and future plans of the Cooperative Society.

In his keynote address the Presidents Dr. Aliyu Muhammad thanked members for their patience and understanding, assuring them that the Society is working tirelessly to improve their welfare. He announced that groundbreaking initiatives, including a collaboration with Federal Mortgage and National Housing Fund to build affordable housing units for members in Kashere and Gombe.

Dr. Muhammad also revealed plans to digitalize the Society's operations,



**Dr. Aliyu Muhammad**

ensuring easy access to services to reduce congestion and promising to carry every member along in the decision making process.

The meeting provided a platform for members to engage with the Society's

leadership and stay informed about ongoing initiatives, plans and also the ratification of Malam Adamu Yahaya as the new welfare director by members, following voluntarily stepping down of Miss Mary Abuh.

In his remark, the Chairman Shares Based Committee, Dr. Umar Bello used the opportunity to highlight suggestions made by the Committee to include, guidelines on how to purchase shares, payments procedures, benefits of owning shares and recommendations to enhance welfare of members.

The Shares Based Committee was inaugurated on 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 with the following as members. Dr. Samaila Buba, Samaila Yahaya, Nasiru Lawal Salisu, Muhammad Usman Alhaji, Mrs Doeyom E. Waziri and Marcus Ayuba as the Secretary of the Committee



*A cross section of cooperative members*



# Photo Gallery



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