

## INTRODUCTION

Harriet Tubman once said, "Every great dream begins with a dreamer." Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world.

Mr. Chairman and Special Guest of Honor Dr. Mustapha Abdul Hamid, the Man with a heart of Gold!, Guest of Honors, hardworking Alumni, Deans of various institutions, President of Nugs and his Executives, President of Gups 2021/2022 executives and the entire Executives, indefatigable Nec and G.A members, our most valued invited guests, newly elected executives, respected ladies and gentlemen, all protocols strictly followed. A very good evening to everyone.

To commence, I warmly take this unique opportunity to extend my appreciation and gratitude to God Almighty, Hon. Dr. Mustapha Abdul-Hamid (CEO of NPA) for his endless support in everything that concerns me. Sir, I am eternally grateful! He made sure there was enough money for my campaign.

Hon. Dr. Mathew Opoku Prempeh, minister of Energy; Madam Gertrude Quashiga, school feeding; Sammy Awuku, director General of NIA of NIA; Hon. Salam Mustapha, Office of Veep; Mr. Maxwell Dampare, NCA. These noble men and women made sure I was able to meet some budgeted and unbudgeted expenses (school fees and individual debt, hostel bills, loans which won't be paid back, hotel bills, birthday presents, get-togethers, dues, food, busing, and other campaign costs). Sir, I am eternally grateful again.

My appreciation also goes to my communication team members (Mr. KSM, H.E Papaa Koomson, H.E Emanuel Richer , Hon. Alexander Acheampong, etc.).

My able and distinguished personal assistants (Mr.Evans Saah and Mavis),

my executives, especially my General Secretary, Hon. Murphy, and my International Relations Secretary, Hon. Charity Teye, for their unending

support. I also want to thank all and sundry here present for your unflinching support and cooperation during my campaign.

Thank you all for gracing this handover and swearing ceremony.

## THE JOURNEY

Mr. Chairman, in the 2018-2019 academic year, I served as Vice President of Jayee University College at level 200.

I became passionate about student welfare after I saw that successive administrations' interests were not the students' welfare but their own personal interests. I felt like someone needed to fill the gap to create a safe space for students. I wanted to change policies and narratives of student leadership and make sure student-oriented policies and quality leadership skills were ingrained in the fabric of student leadership with the right imprint. To get this done was my reason for becoming the International Relations Secretary of this noble union and now the president.

Mr. Chairman, When I started, going to the Students' Union and ultimately becoming their president being a lady and then current executive member did not feel like there was a place for me. After speaking to many institutions, I realized that past administrations have failed them and the students are yearning for a quality I possess. It means Someone with the spirit of Yaa Asantewaa and H.E. Louisa Atta Agyeman needs to break the cycle. You need to be the person who creates that change.

## EXPECTATIONS

Mr. Chairman, this September we will be celebrating Gups at 20 years, and we believe you will be there to once again chair it for us. Yet we can not boast of anything. We don't have anything to take off. Not even a pen, a laptop, a website, a camera, a bicycle, or a motorbike. a car, a bus, a secretariat, an office chair or a table. We have nothing as a union. How is it possible? A union of over 50 institutions?

Mr. Chairman, this nothingness era ends with this Emily Jemima Nyarko's administration.

As I am talking to you, a state-of-the-art website with exquisite features (International standard) is 70% completed. The international standard app is also 70% completed.

Indeed, the time for reformation is now.

Reformations do happen with change of conduct, character, perception, myth, belief, and exhibition of professional principles.

Imagine a professional student union of 20 years without a professional website and app.

This narrative changes today. We are transmitting live on the gups connect web and app as I speak to you. Log on to gups connect TV (gCt) and you will see us live. Our radio is also active.

Everything you need is there.

One section I love most is the partners. professional union without a partner? how possible? It is changing this administration. We believe the man himself, the boss of NPA, is here to be our first partner, and so is Hon. Kofi Nkansah of NEIP. Indeed, you have put the future of this union in a noble and safe hand. Your purse will be protected. Ma-shal ALLAH!

Gups Radio and Gups Connect TV will soon be a reality in our new Gups Media Village.

A five-bedroom self-compound has been acquired at the old barrier to be used as Gups Secretariat (waiting for payment).

An office for the GUPS FOUNDATION, Media Village, and the GUPS Entrepreneurship Center will be established in this yet to be acquired secretariat.

Mr. Chairman, in the next one month. We will be launching our short-term goal dubbed "Project IMPACT." It consists of the

- ☞ Gups Connect web
- ☞ Connect app.
- ☞ Connect TV
- ☞ Connect Radio
- ☞ Secretariat
- ☞ Gups Foundation office.
- ☞ Gups Center for Entrepreneurship
- ☞ All 57 institutions will have free WiFi.
- ☞ All institutions receive a free trash can.
- ☞ Free access to needed institutions
- ☞ Mr. Gups' publications will meet the printing needs of students.

Mr. Chairman, After the 3months in my administration, we will be looking at our medium-term goal of

- ☞ Gups Union Bus( we badly need a bus)
- Gups Games, and
- ☞ entrepreneurship challenge.

And lastly, our long-term goal of

- ☞ Excellence awards

Mr. Chairman, Afei na gups ebeye d3!

## CAUTION

Mr. Chairman, most student administrations are characterized by corruption scandals and division among executives because of the failure to know their roles defined by the constitution.

Mr. Chairman, This administration is promising to abide by the terms and power of the constitution. Anybody who chooses to be unconstitutional and not conform to his role will sooner or later face nec. A word to the wise is enough.

## CONCLUSION

I and my executives would like to wish the outgoing national executives the best of luck. May it be well with them in their future endeavors.

#### APPRECIATION

I appreciate all the dignitaries and invited guests.

God bless you all.