

APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATION AT FIMEM –FREINET MOVEMENT OF GHANA

The Freinet Movement of Sweden/ KAP is the Movement-sponsor of the Freinet Movement of Ghana.

Ulf Pålsson and Hampus Ericsson from KAP attended RIDEF 2016 in Dogbo, Benin. They got to know John Mensah there, and continued the contact with him after the RIDEF.

Some cooperate work was done between Johns Freinet school in Winneba and Ulfs Freinet school in Gothenburg. Computers were sent to John with a Swedish nurse . Grade 9 shared mathematic tasks . There were Skype meetings between classes in Gothenburg and Winneba.

The Swedish movement decided to invite one of the Freinet teachers from Ghana to RIDEF 2018 in Ljungskile, Sweden. The movement in Ghana decided to send Appiah Kwabena. John Mensah was invited by the Freinet School “Bild och Form” in Gothenburg. FIMEM also decided to give solidarity to one person from Ghana: Mabel Quartney. The movements in Ghana and Sweden prepared for the affiliation of membership in FIMEM for the Ghana movement. Unfortunately, the participants from Ghana did not get visas and could not come to Sweden.

Of course this was a big disappointment for both movements. KAP invited the three delegates from Ghana to Sweden in 2019, and this time they got their visas. The visit to Sweden took place in three weeks in April –May 2019. They visited Freinet schools in Gothenburg, Stockholm and Norrtälje, met the board of the Swedish movement and many members of KAP.

The visit was a positive experience for all of us. We had exchange of ideas and interesting discussions. The Ghana movement seems very well organized, and they are serious in their work to develop Freinet pedagogy.

According to this contact with the representatives from Ghana Freinet Movement, we strongly recommend GA of FIMEN to accept their application of membership.

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