

January 22, 2022

Thru; The Guild President

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The Principal

MUBS

Dear Sir,

**RE: MUBS, A CLEAR CASE STUDY AND DEMONSTRATION OF THE ROT IN EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS AND LOST HOPE IN THEIR SYSTEMS.**

Education is arguably the most powerful aspect of life. Education and learning allow us to make sense of the world around us, the world inside of us and where we fit within the world. We spend fortunes to go to school to get exposed to new ideas and concepts that we can use to appreciate and improve the world around us and the world within us. The world around us is everything external. The world within us is everything internal; just like our minds, bodies and souls. Growing up parents and mentors have told us Education is the only tool that breaks down all barriers and that Education is part of foundation of all progress and growth. We believe all is possible because everything can be learned and unlearned.

This is the reason parents have sacrificed everything including their own dignity to put kids through school. It is against this background Professor. Waswa Balunywa and all the stakeholders that we would like to bring you up, to speed with the unfortunate and disturbing developments that have unfolded in the Last few weeks. It's exactly three weeks since the provisional results of the previous academic semester were released. This was followed by unprecedented, unheard of, unexplainable and unimaginable cases of missing marks, retakes and backlogs. To provide context, due to COVID- 19, this was the first time MUBS students were being subjected and exposed to online modes of assessments, without comprehensive trainings and orientations. Even so, students embraced this since it was uncertain when normalcy would return to resume the usual academic calendar and do exams. As a student, I believe Professor Waswa Balunywa you're not aware and briefed about what has been transpiring. We as students have always known you to be a proactive, active listener and a person who operates an open door policy of management the reason we named you the "**Father of management**". We would like to have a response on the following issues:

1. Don't you think with all this mess you're increasing vulnerability of female students? With exposing them to administrators and lecturers? With the level of desperation to get marks and graduate
2. With real time mode of assessment how can students have missing marks? The system is automatic. At the end of every examination session the system closes itself and all work is submitted and marks come automatically and the system provides a mark sheet with details of students. The paper they attempted, the time they took to do the paper, their scores, registration numbers, students numbers and other details. How can students have missing marks in such a scenario? This happens to be the biggest problem now.
3. With take home exams, students were required to submit on the MUBSEP system. How can some answer scripts of some students be missing and you ask them to provide evidence that they submitted work? Doesn't the University system keep clear records of who submitted work and

who didn't? If the system doesn't, then we cannot be sure even the results we have are our authentic results. What evidence does the school need from us the students? We entered a contractual agreement with the school and this made sure that all of us played our roles and so we are seeing so much that breaches the contract we entered in as students with the school.

4. How is it possible that results are released and some students don't appear anywhere? Not on Normal progress, probationary progress or even backlog yet they never received any notification of deregistration if that was the case? How can they all of a sudden not appear anywhere yet they are students and have been paying tuition? When faculty staff are asked about this, all we receive are abuses and humiliations from those who believe they made it in life (*Not sorry about my words*)
5. How come after all these issues being raised nothing is being done?

**Note.** Should you be reminded students are the biggest stakeholders in the University and the reason for its existence? And should we remind you all that you are in those offices to serve us the students and we are the reason you are all being paid? Or **the school wants us the students to also show what powers we have as students because this affects us?**

6. How come after two weeks after all these issues nothing is being done? How in your wisdom do you schedule exams for second semester before sorting results of first semester especially finalists who have just a month to complete? The results for last semester should set grounds for this semester and so we are seeing in no time we are going to be entering another set of exams and we shall not be given chance to get these issues worked on.  
Before forcing students to do exams this semester what assurance do they have the same scenario won't happen?
7. It is a public secret that the University is rushing the processes to catch up with Makerere University graduation since MUBS has no autonomy yet. This is unfair on the student's part if due process and procedures are not taken. And it is Unacceptable! Someone in the administration keeps telling us that Makerere University is moving forward and we are behind. Is the goal about moving Makerere University at all costs or making sure we students of MUBS get what we deserve? This is indeed unacceptable.
8. As per the school policy you put it clear, it is not allowed for any student to sit final papers without all coursework results, dear Prof as I report to you I would like to bring this to your attention, all courses have not yet released final coursework results for students but the timetable for finals is out and exams at their door steps! So students don't know how much efforts do they have to put as they do their best to excel in final exams! Don't you think this is what we call rushing to arrive in a coffin?

Close to conclusion Mr. Prof. why rush? Why don't we get to solve all these issues first before we can conduct this in a marathon way, it is always better to arrive late than in a coffin!

**Another issue is,** why does MUBS employ rude people in faculties and departments? Why are students being taken for granted? " Listen to silence, it has so much to say "*Lumi once said. Students are bleeding and getting radicalized by each day that passes*". Silent whispers of discontent, intolerance and violence are being whispered from main gate to small gate. Such culture is not what we would love to see at MUBS but we think it is time for us to act on you and probably show our power too. This is an institution that has distinguished itself for exceptional organization and leadership abilities for which we would all love to uphold and protect. Let us act on the raised issue.

It would therefore be in the interest of all stake holders of the University to make sure results issues are sorted before end of exams of this semester start. Moving forward and from a point of Authority anything is possible!

One thing you should note strongly from us this time round is that **Students will not come to do exams starting on 27<sup>th</sup> of Jan. We as students of MUBS will not do these exams unless whatever we are crying out for is sorted.**

To our fellow students, anyone who tries to go against what majority of us are up-to now is an enemy to all of us. We shall hunt you down and explain to you why you need to stand with us.

We are demanding that by Monday before closure of 2:00pm EAT, we have a response on this matter from Management if by 2pm nothing is seen, what follows it will be what is required.

**STUDENT.**