

Subayo Foundation honours Obuasi MCE for promoting women's soccer

Obuasi, Jan. 6, GNA - Subayo Foundation, owners of Obuasi Subayo Golden Eagles Women Soccer Team has honoured the Obuasi Municipal Chief Executive (MCE), John Alexander Ackon with the title "Chief Patron" of the team for his wonderful contributions towards the development of women's soccer in the Municipality.

The soccer project has far mobilized over 30 young ladies mostly made up Senior High school (JHS) students to form the core team.

A certificate of honour presented to the MCE by the Foundation, stated "it is with pleasure that this honorary title is bestowed on you, the Obuasi Mayor, in recognition of your commitment and support of women's soccer and to the Obuasi Subayo Golden Eagles Soccer Team".

Albert Nana Asante, Public Relations Officer of the Subayo soccer project who presented the certificate on behalf of the owner of the team, Ms Mbumwae Suba-Smith, said that the project seeks to encourage young ladies to develop their interest in football alongside their academic pursuit.

"It is the vision of Subayo to get young ladies who are mostly vulnerable to the demands of society to be more productive and self-sufficient to enable them become players in the national development efforts".

Mr Asante praised the MCE for his interest in sports development and that of youth activities in the Municipality and urged him to help ensure that Obuasi becomes the icon of the development of soccer and other sporting disciplines in the country.

The Foundation, a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) based in the United States of America which seeks to help women and children in Africa through soccer and other income-generating activities, inaugurated the soccer project at Obuasi in July 2008.

Mr Asante commended Riverside Sister Cities and Kiwanis of Arlington Avenue branch in Riverside, a global organization of volunteers dedicated to change the world of children and communities at a time, for sponsoring the soccer project.

Mr Robert Airhart, Chairman of Riverside, California's Obuasi Sister City Committee and a friend of the soccer project described the Obuasi MCE as a person who has the total development of the Municipality at heart.

"My encounter with him at Riverside shows we are blessed that the Obuasi Mayor is a sportsman with loyalty, sacrifice and determination it takes to field a competitive team", Mr Airhart stressed.

Mr Ackon on receiving the certificate said it was a big challenge to him to work to justify the honour and called on the media to help him "shape up the future of Subayo Golden Eagles Team".

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