
SOUTHERN AFRICA REVENUE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION



EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

DATE: 18 November 2014

TIME: 13h00-16h00

VENUE: Southern Sun OR Tambo Int Airport

MEMBERS:

Rhode, Michael	President	Knysna	Present
Maphaka, Maboe	President Elect/Gauteng Chair	Eskom	Present
Olivier, William	Imm Past President	Mossel Bay Municipality	Apology
Lelaka, Malesela	Past President	Eskom	Apology
Louw, Deon	Past President	Drakenstein Municipality	Apology
Gower, Chris	Past President/Eastern Cape	Buffalo City Municipality	Present
De Vries, Paul	W Cape Branch Chair	Drakenstein	Present
Jam Jam, Kgomotso	Eskom Representative	Eskom Representative	Apology
Kerspuy, Mel	Gauteng Chair	City of Johannesburg	Present
Laubscher, Andrew	Bushveld Branch Chair	Greater Tzaneen Municipality	Present
Makulani, Tshilidzi	DWA Representative	DWA	Apology
Mbobo,Pam	Central Branch Chair/AMEU	Centlec	Apology
Moloi, Tubatsi	SALGA Representative	SALGA	Apology
Mpande, Nomthandazo	Eskom	Eskom	Present
Muller , Louise	Representative	IMFO	Apology
Nkwanyana, Nathi	KZN Branch Representative	eThekwini	Apology
Selowa, Solly	Representative	DWA	Apology
Usurua, Theofilia	Namibia Branch Chair	City of Windhoek	Apology
Fryer, Fred	Invitation	City of Ekurhuleni	Present
Stopford, Greg	Invitation	City of Cape Town	Present
Bindeman, Rens	Technical Advisor	Revenue Investigations	Present
Zwane, Njabulo	Mpumalanga Branch Chair	Mbombela Municipality	Apology
Venter, Jean	General Secretary	SARPA	Present

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The chairman welcomed members present and noted the above apologies. A quorum was present.

2. READING AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting that was held on 9 July 2014.

3. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MEMBERSHIP

The meeting **NOTED** year to date management financial statements tabled by the secretary. The change in the membership fee structure resulted in a doubling of the membership fee revenue.

The committee then considered a draft budget for 2015 tabled by the secretary. Members noted the risks involved with organising branch events that are sometimes underfunded and covered from the national budget.

AGREED

- a. To pay an annual R2000 honoraria to branch secretaries on branch chair recommendation.
- b. To circulate the AMEU branch operational guidelines to Exco members, once updated.
- c. To encourage branches to use municipal meeting infrastructure where possible.
- d. To implement the budget as tabled.

[Adrie da Silva, Cindy Maree, Branch Representatives]

4. MEMBERSHIP

The committee **NOTED** a membership register tabled. The secretary advised that a previous problem with the issuing of a tax clearance certificate was solved and that some of the metros that are in arrears with their fees are now processing their payments.

AGREED

- a. That Mr Bindeman assist with sponsorship raising for the 2015 convention.
- b. To attach a membership application form to some of the branch event notices.

[Rens Bindeman, Andrew Nkosi, Dion Abrahams, Bruce Turner, Melindi Snyman]

5. REPORT OF THE TECHNICAL ADVISOR

Mr Bindeman tabled a report on operations. Points noted were that SARPA cooperation with SALGA and COGTA is increasing due to contact at the SAPS forums. Various stakeholders have agreed to jointly hold a copper theft convention and SARPA will probably assist with arrangements. He attended and participated in the Gauteng CFOs forum. There is interest in the formation of SARPA branches in Nigeria and in Lesotho. Affiliate members seem to be ready for a higher level of organised interaction in the organisation. It was noted that the turnover for training courses was R109 000 for this year. The committee thanked Mr Bindeman for his efforts.

AGREED

- a. To send an invitation to members for the 2015 training programme presented by the technical advisor.
- b. To invite nominations from the affiliates for a person to represent them as a group on the SARPA Council. The person to be known as the Affiliates National Coordinator.
- c. To publish the list of paid up members and affiliate members of the association on the website.

[Jean Venter, Rens Bindeman]

6. BRANCH ACTIVITIES

The Eastern Cape tabled a written report which was noted with thanks. Their meetings were now held jointly with AMEU, they have brought four new municipalities on board and their programme to sponsor smaller members to attend is proving successful. The Western Cape met at Pine Lake Marina with around fifty members in attendance. The five papers and member forum activities were good. In the Bushveld Branch both the AMEU and SARPA meetings were cancelled. This was also the case in the Free State. The KZN branch will be meeting at the Cathedral Peak Hotel and it will be a joint meeting with AMEU.

7. STAKEHOLDERS

IMFO has a new president and will have to nominate a new representative to the SARPA Exco. Mr William Olivier now represents SARPA on the AMEU Executive Council. Attendance by representatives of DWA to SARPA events remains patchy. Eskom confirmed that it now has a new CEO but that generation levels remain problematic and that the collapse of a coal silo at a power stations is complicating matters. Diesel fuels is in short supply and labour issues is delaying the completion of new power stations. PIESA is planning a mini conference in late February 2015 in Malawi.

AGREED

- a. To invite IMFO to confirm their representative to the SARPA Executive Council.
- b. That Mr Bindeman will discuss DWA participation with the relevant director at DWA.
- c. EDF can be removed from the agenda.
- d. To move the item in the agenda for the technical advisor to an earlier slot in the agenda.

[Cindy Maree, Rens Bindeman]

8. CONVENTION 2015

Mr Maphaka advised that he and the event managers from the secretariat will be doing a site visit later in this same week to the proposed conference venues in Mbombela. The theme “re-inventing revenue protection” was considered.

AGREED

- a. To round robin members for a theme and subthemes for the conference.
- b. That the president can invite Spinteligent to motivate for a joint conference.
- c. To request that the WC branch provide motivation to the council for their honorary member nomination.

[Melindi Snyman, Michael Rhode, Paul de Vries]

9. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

17 March 2015

10. CLOSURE

The president thanked members and closed the meeting.

Thus read and confirmed:

CHAIRPERSON

DATE