



SAIMENA

(Cape Town Branch)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 03 MARCH 2015 **AT THE CPUT SURVIVAL CENTRE, GRANGER BAY**

WELCOME

Jako Laubscher opened the AGM and welcomed all present.

REGISTER

The following were present:

W. De Preez	V	D.W. Kerrich-Walker	M	K.P. Mackie	F	F.D. Van Niekerk	F
S. Gibbs	F	J. Laubscher	M	J.M. Mars	M	S. Schuitemaker	F
D.J. Janse Van Rensburg	A	M.C. Lyness	F	R. Morrison	A	K.J. Watson	F
		L. Louw	V	E. Papendorf	F	E. Walker	F

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from the following:

N. Adams	A	B. Jubber	F	W.J. Van Zyl	M	Co Saimena (Durban)
P.W. Grobbelaar	A	J.H. Lusty	F	J.W. Ocenasek		
S. George	A	B.W. Mvovo	M	F. Rebel		
D. Hollis	M	A. Manuel	M	W.H. Rice		

MINUTES OF THE 2014 BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The minutes of the 2014 Branch Annual General Meeting were accepted as correct.

MATTERS ARISING

Nothing reported.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Financial Report was passed around and tabled for discussion. The Treasurer reported that during the year SAIMENA position had strengthened and the balance of the local account is up by approximately R5000-00, mainly due to the great success of the Golf Day which made a profit of R17 000-00. He proposed a special vote of thanks to Marc Els for leading this very successful event. The Annual Luncheon was not a great success and run at a small loss. Still, the Chairman indicated that SAIMENA is financially in a strong position with R50 148-00 in the Association's Account. The Treasurer also reported that R5000-00 was donated to the Lawhill Maritime Centre at the Simon's Town High School. However, the amount will only be reflected on next year's financial report due to late submission of account details. Also, the SAIMENA Website was redeveloped as well as the SAIMENA crest, which incurred cost and was catered for.

There was also a short general discussion on the status of the accounts and the Financial Report was accepted by all.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

The Handover from the previous Chairperson, Kevin Watson and his committee, was smooth and the secretary, Frans van Niekerk, being a key player in the handover for continuity purposes and support. The new Chairperson, Jako Laubscher, gave a note of thanks for good support in the months following from the handover from the secretary to understand what is happening behind the scenes at SAIMENA Cape Branch.

As part of understanding for what institutions like us stand for we met with SAIMECHE and other institutions to hear what they are doing and what works. The outcome was that they

- realize the new platform of communication is electronic based.



- their CPD courses are driving their growth.
- they also publish a monthly magazine.
- student representatives are assigned at universities to spread the word.

These relationships with these committees are valued highly and therefore the Chairperson calls for 2 new positions on the committee who are willing to interact to;

- liaise with other institutions and universities
- liaise with embassies in terms of professionals visiting the RSA and co-ordinate with prospective speakers.

We then noted the following developments and changes in 2014. There were membership changes at national level and special condolences to members that passed away.

The following Cape Town Branch activities took place and members are also to take note of the following:

- Successful Company visits took place.
- SAIMENA Cape Chair joined the SAICE Dinner and was great. We spoke to SAIMECHE and they are interested to have a joint dinner with SAIMENA.
- We are seeing a slowdown in presentations and encourage members to spread the word and help us get speakers to share knowledge. A newly appointed (hopefully) committee member will try and source these contacts.
- SAIMENA lost the cricket against SOMMSA. The results are now 13-12 for us.
- A special thanks also to Marc and Ellenette Els from Ampprops.com for organizing the SAIMENA Golf Day, which was very successful.
- The SAIMENA Cape Committee organized the luncheon at the Royal Cape Yacht Club. However, turnout was very poor.
- We also had the traditional Froude Memorial wreath laying in Simon's Town Cemetery and sponsored R5000-00 towards the Lawhill Maritime Centre.
- The SAIMENA Crest was re-done and the new SAIMENA Website was developed and is now up and running.

The following suggested new ventures for 2015 are foreseen:

- Inter-institution's events.
- liaise with universities and schools.
- liaise with embassies.
- we will ask for interest to buy jerseys with the SAIMENA Crest embroiled on it.
- posting all presentations on the new SAIMENA Website from this end forward on the white papers page on the website.
- free postings of events and news from your companies on the website. Come boast about what you are doing.
- Company visits and jobs postings.
- SAIMENA Newsletters instead of the old two oceans magazine.

Thank you all for your fantastic support in the past year and I wish you all the best in 2015



ELECTION OF THE 2015 CAPE TOWN BRANCH COMMITTEE

A quorum count was taken, with the following member grades present:

- 11 corporate members
- 2 associate members
- 5 proxy corporate members
- 4 proxy associate members

The Constitution calls for one third of existing committee members to stand down each year, the Chairperson can serve a 2 terms, other Committee members can only stand for 3 years.

The Treasurer & Secretary can serve a 2 year term, Dirk can continue but Frans is standing down.

Effectively we have the following members standing down:

- Daniel Calvo
- Frans van Niekerk

There was no new nominations proposed for the committee. The Chairperson indicated nominations will be asked for and he appeal to members to make themselves available. It is important that the secretary for the committee to be filled as soon as possible.

Jako Laubscher is again the selected Chairperson.

The committee will determine the activities for the year at the first committee meeting.

The Chairperson also indicated the Lee Handre Louw will assist him with communication and newsletters.

The following is therefore the elected Cape Town Branch Committee for 2015:

Chair	Jako Laubscher	Member	Jonathon Gibbs
Secretary	TBA	Member	Wynand Van Zyl
Treasurer	Dirk Janse Van Rensburg		

Jako thanked the committee members for their service.

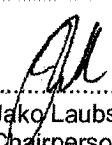
GENERAL

Kevin Watson proposed that all members must be made aware that attending the SAIMENA meetings where topics are presented by invited speakers count towards their CPD credits required by ECSA. Attending 10 presentations equates to 1 credit, which is required for Category 1 per year. The Chairperson also Impressed on members to make an effort to recruit young members to join SAIMENA. A concerted effort must be made to liaise with organisations, like SAMSA, to realise that objective.

There were no further items discussed.

Jako closed the AGM meeting at 1930.

Everybody was invited for snacks and drinks.


Jako Laubscher
Chairperson Cape Branch


Frans van Niekerk
Out-going Hon Secretary Cape Branch

24/03/2015