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MINUTES OF THE 35TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

08 OCTOBER 2022

Via GoToWEBINAR

1. REGISTRATION AND SIGNING OF THE ATTENDANCE REGISTER

The attendance register was an automated document, triggered by logging in to the AGM, a copy of the full document is available at the SAIAT offices.

2. WELCOME

The President, Linke Strohmenger, welcomed everyone who had logged in online and taken time out of their Saturday. She then handed over to Frans Dekker for the formalities.

In terms of the SAIAT Constitution, the notice convening the 35th Annual General Meeting was read. It was confirmed that the meeting was quorate. Apologies received via email were noted. It was requested that should any attendee know of any others who may have indicated their apologies, that they advise Sandi via e-mail to be included in the minutes.

3. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 35TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were projected online.

Approved: Keith Lurie
Seconded: Jurgens Strydom

DIRECTORS

FJA DEKKER (Managing), L STRÖHMENGER, M SMITH

OFFICE BEARERS

L STRÖHMENGER (President), J BRONCHI (Vice President)

4. REGIONAL AND SECTION REPORTS

Each regional chairperson and the co-opted section heads gave reported on their area of responsibility. Copies of the written reports and audio are available from the SAIAT Head Office.

The president, Linke Ströhmenger invited both the past and present student bursary recipients to share their experiences. This was quite an emotional presentation.

5. ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE REPORTS

Frans Dekker, as managing director, has the responsibility to oversee finances and administration, and thus presented the Executive Committee's annual financial and membership report, which included the new budget for 2023.

5.1 Membership: The comparative statistics for various categories of membership, ethnic and gender as at the end of 2022 were presented in graphic format. The institute was able to assist members with payment plans. Unfortunately, some members were lost, but a steady influx of new members has ensured that there was still a positive growth. Non-payment of fees still remains an issue.

5.2 Finances: The financial accounts are audited annually by a registered auditing concern to meet the SARS and CIPC requirements, as well as to maintain complete transparency over funds received.

Frans Dekker gave a brief overview of the audit report and advised that once again SAIAT has received a clean audit. The "qualification" noted is purely because the IRFS does not consider the fact that SAIAT invoice fees in advance of their year-end.

The 2024 budget was projected online for comment and all questions answered.

Having managed to keep membership and workshop fees virtually the same for two consecutive years, coupled with an increase in the PI premiums, made it necessary for various increases in fees and costs. There was also an increase in technology related costs due to the necessity of having certain equipment for virtual presentations.

5.3 General. The agreement between SAIAT and Decorex has been extended for 2023.

5.4 SABS: Both Frans Dekker and Marcel Keuter remain very active on various SABS technical and sub-committees, thus ensuring SAIAT is on the forefront of writing what is applicable to the South African Industry.

5.5 SACAP: Frans Dekker is also actively involved with the new IDoW and the LSD process

6. CPD

6.1 CPD: SAIAT has re-branded their CPD on-line events to accommodate load shedding. These are now pre-recorded and run for approximately three weeks. SAIAT has also introduced text to some of the presentations to assist the hearing-impaired. A total of 1 164 delegates attended the various events, which was down on the previous figures due to the availability of many free on-line CPD offering. SAIAT continues to meet SACAP's 10 competencies.

CPD certificates from 01 October 2022 will be on the new SAIAT ePortal and will be retained indefinitely on the password protected domains.

7. MOTIONS

No motions were received.

8. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

The theme for this year was "don't make a statement, make a difference."

Linke Strohmenger started her address by thanking everyone for their confidence in electing her for a second term and included many highlights of the year both at regional and national levels. Both SACAP and the Competitions Commission have taken on the task of educating the residential estates on the ability of other levels of registered professionals. Estates are moving towards allowing all four categories of registration to submit plans. SACAP has decided to take legal action against those who insist not to allow all as per the IDoW matrix to design on estates.

Linke touched on the Load Sharing initiative, which has had a very positive effect, and many positive situations arising.

The topic of mentorship was raised and all members were encouraged to become mentors to students and candidates.

The 19.87 Talk Show celebrated its first birthday in September 2022, and continues to be extremely popular.

Anyone who is still pondering the LSD is encouraged to submit their applications before the deadline.

9. NEXT MEETING

The next Annual General Meeting will be held in October 2023, hopefully live in Cape Town. Details will be forthcoming nearer the time, also dependent on the Covid situation and safety regulations.

10. CLOSURE

Jannette Bronchi summarised the morning's activities and thanked everyone for their support over the past year.

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Signed as a true record of the proceedings, and subject to any corrections noted in this meeting and recorded in the subsequent minutes.

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