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## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of the IMESA Annual General Meeting held at Amanz' Abantu, East London on Wednesday, 21 September 2016 at 18h00

## 1. WELCOME AND OPENING BY THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman welcomed all members and thanked them for their attendance.

#### 2. PRESENT

M. Westerberg (Chairman)	O. Ive	L. Shongwe
R. Nell (Treasurer)	A. van der Merwe	A. Britnow
C. Vosloo (Secretary)	G. Keppie	D. McQuirk
F. Bruce	A Skwebu	

#### 3. APOLOGIES

V. Helberg	G. Cowley	P. Allen
J. Xantho	E. Cotterrell	L. Mellin
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## 4. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The minutes was proposed as correct by D. McQuirk and seconded by R. Nell.

#### 5. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

NONE

### 6. ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

R. Nell presented the meeting with the annual financial statement for the Branch covering the period 01 July 2015 to 30 June 2016. Financial Statements attached.

Financial balance as at 30 June 2016 is R108 000.00.

RN proposed that the Fixed Deposit account be closed and the funds transferred to a Money Market account where interest is higher and better leverage to withdraw funds should the need arise. Vote carried in favour of proposal,

G. Keppie suggested that Nedbank be considered as they offer very good market related accounts.

#### 7. IMESA CONFERENCE

MW gave a update of the 2016 conference which will be held in East London at the ELICC from the 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016. The theme for this year is "SIYAPHAMBILI - ENGINEERING THE FUTURE"

The Local Organising Committee has convened numerous times over the last year and have been hard at work to ensure that this year's conference will be a success. 523 delegates registered thus far - BCMM still to register.

Income for the Branch from the conference to be approximately R100 000 - which will be used to host Branch meetings and Technical Tours.

LOC gives of their own time and goodwill to ensure a successful conference – MW extended his appreciation to the team for all their hard work and effort.

#### 8. CHAIRMANS REPORT BACK FROM EXCO

The Chairman provided feedback from the Exco Meetings held the past year. Minutes attached from the last Exco Meeting held in April 2016 in Cape Town.

First conference this year where the President is not known. Announcement of new President to be made at the Conference in East London.

Imesa sponsors Plenary and Awards at Conference. Dependant on conference income to be profitable.

Conference projected profit for 2016 is R 1m.

Marketing dvd received and will be circulated to members.

#### 9. CHAIRMAN ANNUAL REPORT

The Chairman presented his annual report.

Border Branch has grown significantly which is positive however we have had some defaulters from Amatola District due to financial constraints.

Border has one successful bursary applicant.

The Local Organising Committee for the 2016 Conference has been hard at work and with a month to go all arrangements are in place. M. Westerberg made a plea to local members to please register and attend the local conference. The Chairman extended a word of thanks to this committee for their hard work.

## 10. NOMINATIONS

Nomination Forms were distributed and from receipt of the signed nominations and acceptances the following committee was elected :

Chairman - Mark Westerberg Financials - Ryan Nell

Committee - Deon McQuirk

- Victor Helberg

Ayanda Skwebu

#### 11. GENERAL

O. Ive noted that more marketing needs to be done by Imesa Border, especially on a Technical Level - districts need to be more involved. Mr Ive suggested that the Local Committee arrange an event which would interest the districts and gain their support. A. Skwebu suggested that Salga should be approached to contact districts as Salga recognises Imesa.

R. Nell put forward that a bigger committee would assist with marketing.

A. Skwebu suggested that a banner for Oxford Street be commissioned to advertise the conference and also Imesa. He would follow this up with R. Nell. Advertising via the BCMM Service Desk is another option that should be investigated.

#### 12. CLOSURE AND THANKS

The Chairman closed the meeting and thanked everyone for their attendance and contribution. Thanks extended to Celeste for all the arrangements.

O. Ive offered a vote of thanks and appreciation to the LOC for a job well done.

The Chairman extended an invitation to the members to dinner.

CHAIRMAN	DATE