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Minutes of the Northern Provinces Branch Exco Meeting held in Mac Donalds restaurant, at the Irene Village Shopping Centre, Centurion, on Wednesday 19 October 2016 at 16h30

1. Opening and Welcome

The Chairperson (TH) welcomed everybody present, thanked all for taking the time to attend the meeting on short notice.

2. Attendance, Apologies and proxy letters

Attendance:

<i>Chairman</i>	:	<i>Thabo Hlabela</i>	<i>(TH)</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	:	<i>Johann Marx</i>	<i>(JM)</i>
<i>Member</i>	:	<i>Marius Vermeulen</i>	<i>(MV)</i>
<i>Member</i>	:	<i>Werner Bruhns</i>	<i>(WB)</i>

Apologies: *Chris Etsebeth* *(CE)*



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3. Introduction

The Chairperson Mr Thabo Hlabela opened the meeting and explained the reasons why he proposed that the Branch EXCO must urgently meet. The following issues were highlighted: That the upcoming Conference event in East London will not be attended from members of Ekurhuleni Municipality and that members of Tshwane Municipality also not received approval yet to attend the Conference. That will mean that practically six of the branch management members will not be able to attend the upcoming IMESA Council meeting to be held on Tuesday 25 October 2016. Due to the fact that the proposed proxy letter vote issue was not resolved yet for the voting process for the new President it can cause that the Branch will not have enough members presented on Council to vote for the new President. One of the Branch members, Mr Gavin Clunnie is one of the three President nominees who will need the support from the branch.

4. Resolution

The matter was discussed by all and the Treasurer Mr Johann Marx said that there is approx. R246 000.00 in the account and that he support the idea to send members to the Council meeting to take part in the voting process for the election of the new president. The following was resolved at the meeting:

- That branch members of Ekurhuleni and Tshwane municipalities who will be able to get leave to attend the IMESA Council meeting, be granted permission from the Branch EXCO to attend the meeting on Tuesday 25 October 2016.
- That the management members only attend the Council Meeting and not the Conference.
- That the flight costs from OR Tambo airport to East London and back be paid from the Branch account.



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- That provision is made to stay over one night and this also be funded from the Branch account.
- That booking is made through the Branch Treasurer Johann Marx on or before Friday 21 October 2016.
- That this does not mean that the grant will be applicable to every Council meeting and will only be approved if there is special and specific reasons why members must attend which will then be evaluated and approved by the Branch EXCO.

5. General

The Chairperson informed the attendees that he will also not be able to attend the Council meeting due to commitments but will attend the Conference. Communication will be circulated to the Branch Council members who are affected by the Municipality's decision not to approve the Conference attendance.

6. Closure

The Chairperson thanked all for their inputs and wished them a safe journey back home.

The date of the next meeting and the venue will be confirmed.

Meeting adjourned at 18h00

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**Thabo Hlabela Pr Tech Eng
Chairman**