

**SANIRE MINUTES FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 19 May 2020 at 09h00
via Microsoft Teams (ONLINE)**

Present:

P Couto – President (PC)	L Prinsloo – Vice President, Hon.Treasurer (LP)
P Wessels (PW)	A Cooper (AC)
R Armstrong (RA)	A Gregory (AG)
C Smith (CS)	F Essrich (FE)
J le Roux (JR)	J Maritz (JM)
J Esterhuysen (JE)	M du Plessis (MdP)

Apologies:

D Neal (DN)	A Esterhuizen (AE)
Y Rajpal (YR)	

In Attendance: R van der Berg (MPAS)

ITEM		SUBJECT	RESPONSIBLE PERSON
1.		WELCOME	PC
		The President welcomed members present and thanked Council members for attending the meeting. Apologies were noted for members not present. The President advised that the meeting will be condensed and only items reflected on the agenda will be dealt with. Portfolio holders that wish to report on their portfolio can send feedback to Council by email. As a quorum was present the meeting was duly constituted.	
2.		MATTERS ARISING & MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING	PC
		Minutes of the previous meeting were tabled and accepted as a true reflection of the meeting held. It was requested that draft minutes be circulated within four weeks and final minutes with the invitation to the next meeting. This was accepted by Council.	
3.		NEW MATTERS	
		The President advised that new matters will be dealt with during the meeting.	
4.		COUNCIL MATTERS	
	4.1	COVID 19 PANDEMIC	
		Current Situation - Lockdown - Members discussed the COVID 19 Pandemic and the impact on Industry. - The President requested members to ensure compliance with regulations as published by the government. 2020 Events & Future - The President highlighted that the SANIRE examinations and events will be impacted by the COVID 19 pandemic.	

		- The impact of the pandemic will require alternative solutions to the hosting of examinations and of meetings/symposiums as mines have indicated restriction of access as per regulations set out by the government. Events - The President advised council members that with the current restrictions in place, meetings, events and symposiums will be required to be placed on hold or executed in a different format. It was suggested that online presentations, virtual tours and symposiums be utilised. - The following events were placed on hold until more information on regulations of gatherings is published by the government: - Pillar Workshop - SANIRE Symposium - SANIRE Family Day - The following events to continue and be planned by use of online meeting platforms: - Rockbowl - AGM - Members were advised that the AGM may be hosted as an online event if restrictions are still in place in August/September - Presentations & Workshops to members discussed were: - Resin bolt workshop - Radar workshop - The Free Vaal Branch advised that the use of an online platform is being considered for the Strata Control Symposium and will be confirmed at the next meeting.	
	4.2	EDUCATION	AC
		SCO Practical Exams - Feedback was given on the SCO examinations highlighting the following: - Eastern Bushveld - 1 candidate passed out of 17 - Western Bushveld (North) - 4 candidates passed out of 18 - Western Bushveld (South) - 2 candidates passed out of 14 - Met - 2 candidates passed out of 5 - Massive – 0 passes out of 2 - The pass rate for members participating in the examination was 16% (9 out of 56) - It was noted that the branches have not implemented the logbook yet and implementation is scheduled as follows: - Coal logbook - October 2020 - Hard Rock logbook, currently in review. - The portfolio holder advised members of the SCO Coal exams concerns and informed members that the exam would need to be rescheduled - The following items were highlighted: - Exam date change without authorisation from SANIRE Council - Coal logbook not implemented - Branches responsibility in implantation of the logbook and portfolio reviews - Examinations to be hosted as per guidelines provided - Moderation process of Coal exam indicated the following: - More than one examination hosted at different venues - No examination memos provided - No marked planning - Non-compliance of examination guidelines - Members present discussed items and agreed that a special SCO examination will be hosted for these candidates.	

		- Concern was raised that the non-compliance with the guidelines may cause candidates not seen as competent. - Examination committee to provide copies of the examination paper memorandum and marked papers. - SCO logbook to be implemented as of October 2020. (Coal Branch) - Communication to be drafted by A. Cooper to inform candidates of the decision made. The President advised that a letter of concern has been forwarded to the Coal Fields Branch and Council is awaiting response. Rock Engineering Practical - Examination rescheduled to 17 July 2020. - It was noted that the examination may be required to be split in two and it is suggested that the following be considered: - MET – 17 July 2020 - Massive – 20 July 2020 - The venue of examination was noted to be the Impala Platinum Offices. - It was suggested that portfolios be discussed by a conference call with candidates to avoid direct contact sessions. Members discussed the exam and suggested that examinations may be required to be postponed or an online platform used if regulations are still in place on gatherings. Mineral Council Examinations - Members were informed that SANIRE requested that two examinations be hosted if possible. - May examinations postponed to 6-14 July 2020. - October examinations postponed to 2-10 October 2020. - Members were informed that if the July examinations is postponed, only one examination will be set for October 2020. - Members were informed that C. Anderson has resigned from the Minerals Council. The portfolio will be managed by M. Ally. Future Education - No feedback. Exam Committee Member Requirements - It was suggested that the criteria qualifications and requirements of an Exam Committee member be formulated in a document to ensure transparency and that the committee is seen to be competent. Portfolio – Education.	
	4.3	ADMINISTRATION	
		Future Events - The secretariat provided feedback on the change of landscape and technology usage since the COVID 19 Pandemic and highlighted the following: - The use of online platforms has become critical and it is recommended that Councils considered the use of the platforms to host meetings, symposiums - The use of digital media in the form of short clips of videos has proven to be successful in other Associations managed by MPAS.	

▪ **Membership**

Membership statistics presented:

Membership Type

	Feb '20	May '20
Associate	400	438
Member	177	168
Fellow	19	21
Honory Life Fellow	19	19
RET	8	12
Foreign	0	3
Honory Member	3	3
Student	2	2
Correspondence	1	0
	629	667

▪ **Membership Subscription**

Membership subscription presented:

	Membership No	Subscription Fee	Total
Associate	438	650,00	284 700,00
Member	168	800,00	134 400,00
Fellow	21	920,00	19 320,00
Honory Life Fellow	19	-	-
RET	12	260,00	3 120,00
Foreign	3	880,00	2 640,00
Honory Member	3	-	-
Student	2	-	-
Correspondence	1	880,00	880,00
	667		445 060,00

4.4

FINANCE

The Treasurer reported back on the following:

Financials:

- R 258 515.08 - Current account
- R1 006 386.85 - Investment account
- Budget:

	BUDGET 2019/2020	ACTUAL
2019/20 Income	R 1 012 029.60	R 1 591 756.67
2019/20 Expense	R 1 147 128.45	R 862 996.30
Surplus/shortfall	-R 135 098.85	R 727 926.52

- Invoiced R 684 400,00 Global & Singular Invoices, 2019 and partial 2018.
- Recovery Ratio as at April 2020 94%
- Outstanding Debtors amount = R258 140.50
- MPAS contract finalized in May 2020.

		• SANIRE Tax Status and Tax Profile currently being updated. • Financial year end – 30 June.	
	4.5	SOCIAL MEDIA/ NEWSLETTER/ WEBSITE	
		The President advised members that J. Esterhuyse has been allocated the portfolio and is currently busy with the newsletter. It was suggested that the use of online mediums such as video clips be used as per suggestion to market symposiums, newsletter etc. • Members were requested to forward all articles and suggestions	
5.		GENERAL	
		Western Bushveld Branch ▪ Members were advised that the Branch Chairperson is Mr W. Liebenberg. Changes to the website are to be made.	
7.		CLOSURE	
		The President thanked all members present for the attendance. The President asked if there were any further matters for discussion. There being none the meeting was closed at 11h55 Next Meeting: Date: 23 June 2020 Time: 10h00 Platform: Microsoft Teams	

