

# MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

## **MINUTES**

**Date:** 09 September 2014 **Time:** 14:00 to 17:00 **Venue:** SAIPPA Offices, Bryanston

### **MEMBERS:**

Mr Doug Kuni	<b>Executive Chairman</b>		Present
Mr Brian Day	Secretary General	Cennergi	Apology
Mr Andrew Carr	Member	Sebenzana Consulting	Present
Mr Dave Long	Member	Associate member	Present
Mr Egmont Ottermann	Member	Pretoria Portland Cement	Present
Mr Seelan Pillay	Member	Associate member	Present
Mr Brian van Oerle	Member	Prana Energy	Present
Mr Jean Venter	Corporate Secretary	Secretariat	Present

### 1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The chairman welcomed members present and noted the above apologies.

### 2. READING AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting that was held on 15 July 2014.

## 3. STAKEHOLDERS AND REPRESENTATIVES

# **IRP2010**

Secretaries: VdW & Co

Members expressed concern that the IRP2010 document is being finalised without SAIPPA comments and positions being taken into account.

**AGREED** to meet with Dr Barnard of DoE to discuss the IRP2010 update completion process and timelines.

[Chairman]

## **BUSA**

Members noted that BUSA is about to meet with the minister of energy in the near future to table industry concerns around energy supply in South Africa, to which SAIPPA has contributed.

### **Department of Energy**

The chairman advised that his calls to set up a meeting with Mr Aphane has not been successful to date. It was understood from a Mr Andreas Klees of GIZ that the department has a project in progress to finalise various pieces of long overdue legislation and regulation. Dr Eberhard is also involved in this project task team.

#### **ESKOM**

The chairman advised that he has approached Eskom to gain access to the new CEO but was advised that the CEO will not for some time be able to meet with external stakeholders.

#### **NERSA**

The chairman advised that government may be poised to increase the powers of the regulator to better manage the energy industry. An agenda needs to be compiled as a basis for regular meetings with NERSA, as agreed with them.

Members expressed concerns about statements by Webber Wentzel staff they are opposed to energy wheeling arrangements in the industry.

#### **AGREED**

Secretaries: VdW & Co

- a. To visit Webber Wentzel to discuss their concerns about wheeling on the grid.
- b. To expedite setting up an agenda and first meeting date for regular NERSA interaction.
- c. The chairman to circulate a call for agenda items with NERSA to members.
- d. Suggested subjects for NERSA includes Wheeling, Promotion of IPP energy and NERSA's role within the department of energy.

[Chairman]

## **GRID CODE COMMITTEE**

Noted that Mr Wayne Glossop has attended a recent meeting of the grid code committee and committed to regular report back to the management committee of SAIPPA. Mr Carr reported that he met with Mr Donald Benet from the Kelvin PowerStation who is currently representing independent power producers on the grid code committee. Kelvin Power-station is considering joining SAIPPA as a member to normalise their position as representatives of a whole industry.

**AGREED** that Mr Carr will introduce Messrs Benet and Glossop to each other for future collaboration.

[Andrew Carr]

### 4. MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION PORTFOLIO

Members considered the media and publicity strategy of the association. Members noted views that journalists can sometimes get information from officials that other stakeholders are unlikely to obtain. Website statistics was **NOTED**. Members was encouraged to review the website and add comments and in particular content that may be of use. It was noted that the secretariat do add new

material to the site as it becomes available but that it would be very valuable if members were to take an interest in the site.

**AGREED** to draft media articles from time to time and to collaborate with the journalist at the Free market Foundation to publish under the name of SAIPPA. Mr Pillay and the chairman to collaborate on this process. The chairman was mandated to speak to the media on behalf of the association, and to refer matters on which he lacks expertise to other members who do. Member of the committee to suggest subjects for articles.

[Chairman & Mr Pillay]

#### 5. COGENERATION CAUCUS

Members noted that GIZ and SANEDI is facilitating activities of the co-generation platform meetings with NERSA. The support for cogeneration by GIZ that was part of the previous three year plan of that structure is coming to an end and they will not focus on solar water and energy efficiency related strategies.

#### 6. KNOWLEDGE SHARING AND TECHNICAL LECTURES

Mr Ottermann advised that the most recent member's event was a success and thanked the secretariat for their assistance. He suggested that a 7:30 starting time would be better. Dr Wolsey Barnard the acting director general for energy **AGREED** in principle to address a future meeting of SAIPPA members. He also suggested a firm named Bridge Capital as a speaker.

**AGREED** to provide Mr Ottermann with the contact details of Mr Sydney Zeederberg, a member of the association.

[Angela Davids]

# 7. WHEELING WORKGROUP

Mr Pillay advised that SAIPPA and EIUG representatives have met to align positions on wheeling prior to participation in the NERSA advisory forum on wheeling consisting of Eskom, AMEU, EIUG and SAIPPA. Members suggested and motivated that energy wheeling in the network should be a free service to all independent generators as is the case with renewable energy generators.

#### 8. WORKGROUP DEVELOPMENT

Secretaries: VdW & Co

Mr Long suggested that many interest groups within the independent energy sector is without any particular forums and suggested that SAIPPA consider assisting in this regard.

**AGREED** that Mr Day will discuss prospects in this regard with Mr Joseph Hafejee.

[Brian Day]

# 9. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MEMBERSHIP

The committee **NOTED** year to date management financial statements and membership register. The secretary advised that the budget for membership fees has been met with special congratulations to members for their recruitment efforts.

# **10. EXECUTIVE MATTERS**

The chairman advised that he can no longer, for various reasons, continue to serve as chairman of the association, and tendered his resignation.

## **AGREED**

Secretaries: VdW & Co

- a. That the secretary facilitate a nomination round and meeting to elect a new chairman.
- b. To thank Mr Kuni for his many years of service to the organisation.

[Jean Venter / Jessica Fenwick]

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	CHAIRPERSON	DATE
	Thus read and confirmed:	
12.	CLOSURE	
	11 November 2014 14:00 to 17:00 at secretariat.	