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SOUTH AFRICAN COLLIERY MANAGERS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the General Meeting of Members of the Association held at the SACE Recreation Club, Witbank on 10 May 2007 at 10:30.

PRESENT: Mr JF Janse van Vuuren, President in the Chair,
together with 70 members and guests, as per the attendance register
attached to the minutes.

APOLOGIES: As per attendance register, attached to the minutes.

WELCOME

The President welcomed members and guests to the General Meeting of the Association, in particular Messrs E Gazi, D Msiza and M M Zondi from the DME, Messrs D Kruger and K Mpalala from the Chamber of Mines, and Past President Mr W Uys.

PRESENTATIONS

The President reported that there were three excellent and diverse presentations which he believed would add value to those members attending the meeting.

The President introduced Mr D Kruger, Chamber of Mines who gave two valuable presentations on:

- Road Transport Initiatives; and
- Update of the Electricity Supply Industry.

The President thanked Mr Kruger and presented him with a small token of the Association's thanks.

The President introduced Mr G Poolman who gave an informative presentation on:

- Sasol's Investigation into Wet Heads and CM's and Ventilation.

After the presentation, the President thanked Mr Poolman and presented him with small token of appreciation.

The President then gave a short presentation on the SACMA strategic plan for 2007.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the General Meeting of the Association held on 29 September 2006 and the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 23 February 2007 were confirmed by members.

MATTERS ARISING

The President asked that if members had any matters arising from the minutes that were not included on the agenda for the day's meeting, suggesting that these should be raised under General at the end of the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

The President reported that the following new members had joined the Association since the previous General Meeting:

*** Ordinary Membership**

N Adams, Mine Manager, Carolina Coal
R J Grobler, Mine Manager, Black Wattle
Ms J S Ingram, Technical Services Manager, Xstrata Coal
M J Netshipale, Technical Manager
T Le Roux, Divisional Mining Manager, Xstrata Coal
R S Meyer, Mine Manager, Sudor Coal
S B Ngcobo, Underground Manager, Sasol Mining

*** Associate Membership**

Q Botha, APS, Isibonelo Colliery
A K Botsheleng, Shift Overseer, Matla Coal
P Cronje, Planning Manager, Optimum Colliery
T P Dlamini, Shift Overseer, Arnot Colliery
D Z Mashiyi, Mine Overseer, Goedehoop Colliery
R K Ratlhagana, Shiftboss, Sasol Mining
D S Koboue, APS, Isibonelo Colliery
T V Mangope, Senior Mine Planner, Goedehoop Colliery
J Scheepers, Manager Mining, Dorstfontein
F Smith, Operations Manager, Matla Coal
I L Thompson, Business Planning Manager, Douglas Colliery
J C van den Colff, Subordinate Manager, Vaalkrantz

* **Transfer to Ordinary Membership**

P J Chetty, Operations Manager, Xstrata Coal
G S B Hattingh, Shaft Manager, Sasol Mining

* **Candidate Membership**

V Mtsweni, Shiftboss, Sasol Mining
E P Shaw, Candidate Engineer, Sasol Mining

The President welcomed these members to the Association.

SAFETY AND GOOD PRACTICES

The President reported that there had been a number of recent accidents and fatalities on coal mines which meant that mines had to refocus on safety principles for the remainder of the year. The targets and milestones set for 2008 and 2013 were coming closer and Mining Houses would require additional effort in being able to achieve the targets and milestones set.

Safety Achievements

No achievements were reported.

Accidents and Initiatives

Mr A Fulton identified roof bolters as machinery which had a high number of incidents and accidents. Anglo Coal was working on overcoming the challenges related to roof bolter use. Anglo Coal would share their experiences with Sasol Mining who had also been working on roof bolters issues.

Mr W Uys reported that Sasol Mining had appointed subject matter experts and suggested that they give feedback on roof bolters at the Northern Regional meeting.

Mr Uys suggested that Sasol Mining and Anglo Coal co operate on a presentation.

The President reported on a shuttle car fatality at Matla Coal.

Mr X Wagner reported on base line assessment. A committee had been established to investigate ore road design, traffic and roads.

The President asked if a presentation could be made to members later in the year.

Mr Uys reported on copper theft at Sigma Colliery and explosions at Irenedale.

Mr D Msiza reported on the increase of natural deaths at mines. He asked that these be reported to the DME.

Mr E Gazi expressed concern at the number of machinery accidents and recommended that personnel detection equipment be investigated. Mr Gazi asked that mines review their COPs for trackless mobile equipment.

Safety Managers Forum

The next meeting would be held on 17 May 2007. Please send safety representatives to the meeting. The DME would be invited too.

Coalsafe 2007

Mr W Uys reported on a successful roadshow at Sasol Mining the previous week.

GENERAL

Intermine Technical Visit. Mr M Z T Masondo reported that future intermine technical visits would take place quarterly. There would be the usual visits to larger mines as well as a visit to small mining operations.

Kloppersbos and CSIR

Mr D Kruger reported that the Chamber was aware of changes in structure at CSIR which included the future of Kloppersbos and CSIR test facilities.

The Kloppersbos facility is owned by Government and managed by CSIR.

The Chamber's Collieries Committee had at a meeting held on 9 May 2007 supported the continued operation of the facility.

The stakeholders would have to investigate the future of the Kloppersbos Facility, how it should be kept open and its funding.

CLOSURE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The President thanked members for attending the meeting. The President expressed his appreciation for the arrangements made by Mr G Williams, General Manager, Kleinkopje Colliery who had hosted the meeting.

The President thanked the staff of the SACE Recreation Club for the arrangements.

There being no further matters to discuss the President closed the meeting at 12:00.

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PRESIDENT

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