

Meeting of the SAMAA Management Committee in the Aero Club boardroom at Grand Central Airport on 5 may 2004

Present	Mnr. A Beukes	
	Mr. JR Godwin	
	Mnr. P Marais	MAASA
	Mnr. D Meyer	CLASA
	Mnr. J Sieling	MHSA
	Mr. RW Skinner	in the chair
	Mev. M Skinner	treasurer
	Mnr. E Theron	
Apologies	Mr. D Armitage	
	Mnr. J Coetzer	
	Mnr. JL Ehlers	

The chairman read the notice convening the meeting and welcomed those present.

At a proposal by Mnr. Theron, seconded by Mnr. Sieling, the committee adopted the minutes of the meeting of 7 April 2004.

Ratification of F2B team

The committee ratified the 2004 F2B team:

Lauren Nel	
Keith Renekle	
Callum Orbell	
Dirk Meyer	team manager

Think Tank

Mr. Meyer reported on progress with the revision of the Constitution.

Mr. Skinner suggested that a careful, deliberate approach was needed.

There were no deadlines on this activity.

DM

Mr. Skinner reported that no action had occurred on either a visit to the Sports Council or contact with the Aero Club on air space matters. DA, JC, RWS

Transformation

Mr. Skinner emphasized the need to involve black colleagues in the work place, and the use of air-shows.

He reported that the Aero Club had plans in the pipeline.

Mnr. Beukes reported that there was increasing presence of black spectators at club flying meetings.

Aero Club affiliation

Mr. Skinner reported that Stan Oliver of the Aero Club had rejected our proposal for 2004 of R10.00 per ordinary member affiliation fee. He had not moved from his position of R50.00 per ordinary member. The committee expressed its disappointment in what it considers to be an unreasonable stance by Stan. The committee agreed to make a payment to the Aero Club of R10.00 per ordinary member and to await a response from the Aero Club.

Finances

The treasurer tabled the financial figures.

The committee approved the following expenditure:

1. Payment of R22280.00 affiliation fees to Aero Club
2. Payment of R900.00 for judges' expenses to LSMAA for the Large Scale Nats. (Proposed by Mnr. Beukes, seconded by Mnr. Theron)
3. Payment of R5000.00 start-up monies to four of the nine SIGs, the other five to receive funding in June.

First four SIGs are:

MAASA

NASA
MGA
NMFFA

Mr. Skinner reported that the Auditors had work in progress on the year-end audit and tax registration of the SAMAA with SARS.

Country Trip

Mr. Skinner reported on his PR trip to clubs in the Northern and Western Cape. The trip included Kroonstad, the Western Cape slope sites, the Table Mountain Nature Conservation authorities, the Nats., Oudtshoorn, Beaufort West and many other clubs.

He had been greatly encouraged by the positive and enthusiastic support for the SAMAA apparent during his tour.

He said that there was a good working relationship between the Cape Slope Soaring Clubs and the Nature Conservation authorities.

Aerobatic and Helicopter Nats

Mnr. Sieling reported that the Helicopter Nats had been well organized with a good sporting result.

Mnr. Marais congratulated Mnr. Vos of Helderberg Radio Flyers on the excellent organization.

He said the number of novice pilots who had entered indicated growing interest in aerobatics.

He noted that the Aeromodelling Governing Bodies must grapple with certain technical matters concerning noise measurement.

The committee asked Mr. Skinner to write a letter of congratulation to HRF.

MAASA

RWS

SIG reports

CLASA

Mr. Meyer reported that there was growing C/L activity in the Freestate and Western Cape.

The SIG planned to hold mini-nats in these areas every other year in October.

MHSA.

Mnr. Sieling reported that a plan for the year was in place.

MAASA.

Mnr. Marais reported that the recent AGM - held at the Nats - had been useful in improving communication within the SIG.

He said that the SIG was concerned about the team selection process for 2005 in place. The committee encouraged the SIG to develop and publish a revised process that had the support of the aerobatic fraternity. He reported that the SIG was holding regular aerobatic competitions.

MAASA

Next meeting The next meeting will be held at 1900 on 2 June 2004 in the Aero Club Board Room