



## Minutes

### SAMAA Annual General Meeting 11-03-2021

Board Room, The Hub @ 256 Rondebult Road, Parkdene (TEAMS Platform)

<i>Member name</i>	<i>Present / Apologies</i>	<i>Member name</i>	<i>Present / Apologies</i>
Danie Potgieter (SAMAA Chairman)	Present	Roston Dugmore	Present
Burt Botha (SAMAA Vice-chairman)	Present	Russell van der Westhuizen	Present
Johan Botha (SAMAA Development)	Present	Sarel Venter	Present
Alec Groenewald (SAMAA Compliance)	Present	Shaun Ruth	Present
Roland Suhrmuller (SAMAA SIG Chairman)	Present	Stefan Jacobs	Present
Juanita Smith (SAMAA Treasurer)	Present	Steve Mouton	Present
Bob Skinner (SAMAA GM)	Present	Trevor Wolfaardt	Present
Linda Dold (SAMAA Secretary/Admin)	Present	Johan van der Merwe	Present
Danny	Present	Van Zyl Koegelenberg	Present
Peter Lott	Present	Wian	Present
Adriaan	Present	Willem van der Merwe	Present
Adriaan Geldenhuys	Present	Brian Nelson	Apology
Allen Fraser	Present	Alan Smith	Apology
Andre Beukes	Present	Danie Venter	Apology
Andre Killian	Present	Marthinus Potgieter	Apology
Arrie Schoeman	Present		
Brett Lewis	Present		
Bruce Clark	Present		
Bryan Currie	Present		
Carlo Steyn	Present		
Darrin	Present		
Dirk	Present		
Donald Dold	Present		
Ernst Miessner	Present		
Gary	Present		
Geoff	Present		
Hennie Miller	Present		
Barry van der Vyver	Present		
James Bennett	Present		
Jan	Present		
Jasper van Eden	Present		
Johan	Present		
John Withers	Present		
Johnny Foonk	Present		
Kobus	Present		
Leon	Present		
MariusM	Present		
Michiel Bonthuys	Present		
Mike Vos	Present		
Paul Smit	Present		
Peter	Present		
Peter Eagle	Present		
Peter Rossouw	Present		
Pierre Joubert	Present		
Pieter Herbst	Present		
Pieter Koekemoer	Present		
Pieter Malan	Present		



	DP opened the meeting at 18:14	INFO
1	Welcomed all to the meeting. Rules of engagement, to raise the hand on the Teams platform before speaking.	INFO
2	Attendance and apologies – as per register above.  DP confirmed that we have a quorum present; compliance to requirements of SAMAA constitution. DP declared that he has not received any notice of topics to be discussed as required by the published agenda and notice of the meeting.	INFO
3	Minutes of the 2020 AGM  Page 1 of 4 – No changes Page 2 of 4 – No changes Page 3 of 4 – No changes Page 4 of 4 – No changes  No corrections. Johnny Foonk proposed acceptance of the minutes, seconded by Pieter Herbst.	INFO
4	Matters arising from the 2020 AGM minutes. There were no matters arising.	INFO
5	Chairman’s report. Acceptance – published on the SAMAA website.  Chairman’s report proposed for acceptance by Bryan Currie and seconded by Johnny Foonk.	INFO
6	Treasurer’s report  a) 2020 Budget vs Actual  b) 2020 Audited Financial Statements  AFS proposed for acceptance by Andre Beukes, and seconded by Allen Fraser.  c) 2021 Budget – The proposed income for 2021 is based on the membership as it stood in the beginning of January, used that as criteria together with the new rates and the other bulk in the income is the interest the SAMAA receive on the Investment account. Expenditure tried to limit the budget. Marketing campaign will use the surplus that rolled over from 2020. Provision for office rental in budget. With reserves that SAMAA have maybe the opportune time for the SAMAA to exactly require their own property. Expenditure have cut back on quite a lot of items. Additional item is the office computer with a budget of R20 000 to purchase a new computer, as the computer is giving problems.	INFO



	<p>Die huur van die premises kan nogal 'n groot impak he op die budget? Have been looking at office space roughly expense of R70 000 - R80 000 over the period. Currently SAMAA GM and SAMAA Administrator work from home and continuing to look at finding adequate space that meets our needs. Good option for SAMAA to purchase own office.</p> <p>Should the SAMAA pursue to buy own premises? Gone to vote – 63%</p> <p>Do we really need specific offices for SAMAA and do we need to spend R200 000 to buy offices? SAMAA chairman vision is to have SAMAA museum and membership could pick up their cards. Spending that amount of money might not be a good idea at this stage.</p> <p>Need to consider that SAMAA needs a place of its own. Possible for buying so that SAMAA could have home base. Maybe premises at airports for the SAMAA offices, any other options available. Looking at possibility of buying hangar at small airport. Will get back to members, before any final decisions are taken.</p> <p>Marketing budget – Prepared various proposals and presentations. Looked at the SAMAA events and participation in events and also looked at members status of the past couple of years. Presentation on what can be done towards that and how can the hobby be improved on that sense. Biggest task of the committee is to build the hobby in every way and build SAMAA membership. To do all of this SAMAA will have to spend money, to get all of this going. Focus back on to the clubs. Club visits throughout SA and with specific tasks. Biggest drive is for the Nationals. Included in the budget is the tapping in on the recreation budget of what the SA government has got. Appoint one person in SA which is going to be SAMAA's face, aim is to have an ambassador that can present what he has done and all the work that he had to do, to get to a certain point, and go to Supersport etc who needs material for their shows and for that time on air. SAMAA has proper material to provide to them and by doing that put the hobby back on the spot light. Need to focus on getting the youngsters back in the hobby. The budget presented has got all of that in mind. Suggest having a SAMAA yearbook. Proficiency is also important to get everybody on the same level. Hand-in-hand with these club visits will go the upgrading of our proficiency system.</p> <p>d) Membership fees –No increase in the membership fee for 2022.</p> <p>Hoe word daar bepaal of daar 'n quorum is: in die SAMAA Konstitusie dui dit aan die lede wat teenwoordig is, is quorum, wie ookal inskakel is die quorum.</p> <p>Op die begroting is die salaris van GM en Assistant af te rond? Dit is 'n total cost of employment en die total cost of employment as ons dit afbreek tussen Nett salaris, PAYE, Skills levy en alles dit, if you</p>	
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	<p>add that together then you get the rounded figure.</p> <p>Biggest expenditure on the yearbook, is the idea to sell the yearbook and recover some of that funds? Or is it going to be given out as a free yearbook? The idea is to sell it at year end. Had a lot of requests from members that they wanted a hard copy of the SAMAA News, will be incorporated into the yearbook. The intention is to get as many as possible sponsors.</p> <p>Like the marketing budget, will it be discussed in detail now or for later? Intention was not to discuss all the details of the marketing plan, maybe get hold of Alec and get all the information. Great idea to get input from the members.</p> <p>2021 Budget – Gone to vote – 34 proposed for acceptance.</p>	
7	<p>General Manager’s report. Acceptance – Published on the SAMAA website</p> <p>General Manager’s report proposed for acceptance by Steve Mouton, seconded by Arrie Schoeman.</p>	INFO
8	<p>Insurance policy and implications – Certain limitations that will be imposed that we cannot get around, it is an industry standard and that is where we at, at the moment. The insurance premium was increased. The biggest issue comes in the airside exclusion which is on full-size airports. Clubs operating from full-size airfields, events being held at full-size airfields were the insurers will not cover the infrastructure, the runways or the aircraft present on that airfield.</p> <p>Still in discussion with the insurers, and are looking at trying to get other insurance companies involved but as of date we have not been able to get any insurance company or underwriter that is prepared to give what the current insurance company is giving the SAMAA. It was imperative for the SAMAA to inform the members at this stage could not allow members to continue thinking that they enjoy this cover. SAMAA have applications for full size events coming in knowing that we still negotiating with the insurers.</p> <p>Not cast in stone yet, actively fighting it, we have individuals, we have got some of the SAMAA members that are also involved in the insurance industry that have approached the SMC and have indicated that they will also discreetly try and see if there is not another product out there. Approached the Aero Club for assistance and even the Aero Club with their insurance could not get anything better as what SAMAA have at the moment.</p> <p>If there is an event at a full-size airfield, or airstrip and a model aeroplane flies into any of the infrastructure, the tower, the hangar, into a full-size aeroplane that is parked on the apron or in a hangar, or damages the tarmac or the runway the insurers will not entertain the claims.</p> <p>Accident involving a member-member or a member to a third party that is still covered by the insurance. Communique will be going out to the 22 clubs operating at full-size airfields.</p>	



<p>Questions from members – Was the specialist aircraft insurers approached? They deal with the Aero Club insurance, and there were discussions with these insurers they were not interested in the product for SAMAA.</p> <p>Lyk of die versekering dalk so half buite die lede se hande is, nice dat ons weet daar is 'n groot verskil wat by full-size gehou word, en dis alles in die hande van die SAMAA komitee en die uitkoms is waarmee die lede moet saam leef?</p> <p>Jy as lid wat die ongeluk veroorsaak gaan ook liable wees vir die bedrag om in te betaal. The simple solution to this is; If the airport manager, the airport owner or if it is a collective of hangar owners, the committee will ask the clubs for an amended letter of authority from those individuals. If those individuals are happy to allow an event at their facility and they give an indemnity to say that a SAMAA member and SAMAA will not be held liable if such an accident occurs. Advise that the committee has obtained from legal people that the SAMAA and members would be covered. Will probably find that most of these facilities might give that letter of authority.</p> <p>Rather investing in a building or infrastructure to take that initial R200 000 and to self-insure the first R200 000 towards the claims would be a far greater beneficial use of the Associations' funding, shows that the Association has the members best interest at heart and would encourage people to join the Association.</p> <p>Committee take the point, one claim can wipe out all the reserves. Should there be a claim an excess that the Association will be able to assist the members depending on the nature it was. If it was gross neglect on part of the member, Association might not pay the whole excess amount, if it was out of the Associations' control or the members' control, then on a yearly basis start putting money aside to assist should such a claim arise.</p> <p>Ek vlieg by Gariep, ek plant my jet, steek die gras aan die brand; is ons gedek vir dit?</p> <p>As ons die veld aan die brand steek dan is ons gecover, wanneer die infrastruktuur afbrand dit is waar die lyne kruis. If the fire jumps the runway and burns down aeroplanes in the hangars they are not covering that portion of it.</p> <p>The committee would like to assure the membership that we as the SMC are doing everything in our powers, we have done so far for the past six months. It is in all our best interest to find a solution for this.</p> <p>In discussion with the Aero Club, the Aero Club has now included model aircraft in their events policy, copy which will be published on the website. When we have events, we now have the option to actually run the event under the auspices of the Aero Clubs' policy, which is Lloyds of London underwritten, even that policy has the airside exception clause, which states that it does not cover aircraft to aircraft. Gives a better cover, gives a better excess payment. Aero Club policy at events also excludes aircraft-aircraft damage or infrastructure damage.</p> <p>Julle praat die heelyd van events, praat ons hier ook van alledaagse vlieg ook?</p>	
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	<p>Dis nie net events nie, daar is 22 klubs wat geidentifiseer is en ons werk aan 'n risk assessment program wat ons sal moet uitgaan en 'n behoorlike risk assessment moet doen by hierdie klubs om te sien watter tipe vliegtuie is in die hangars, waarmee deel ons. Vir nou alle events, fly-ins, airshows wat op full-size vliegvelde gehou word kan ons nie goedkeur as 'n SMC nie, die risiko is net te groot op die oomblik. Die SMC sal nou saam werk met die klubs wat geafikteer word, sodat ons die risk assessments kan uitkry, dat ons die letter of approvals van die airport managers, van die hangar owners en ook kan praat en sien waarmee ons vorendag kan kom.</p> <p>So as daar nie 'n goedkeurings brief gekry word nie, moet die klub sluit? Dis korrek ja.</p> <p>Dis 'n groot pobleem die hele storie, in terme van 'n event, jy kan waarskynlik event versekering kry, so as ons goedkeuring kry van die eienaars van die lughawe. As ons event versekering kry sal dit nog in orde wees met SMC om byvoorbeeld 'n BAOBAB te hou ? Ja dit is die antwoord daarop en waar die SMC ook se waar ons sal help bydrae tot die event versekering dan. Far more that will have to be looked at and if also look at the concept of double insurance, will have to get clarity can we then still have member-member under our policy but just have the third party under the event. Most of these event insurance it is police presence , fire brigade presence and so on, those type of things we identify, when the applications are coming in will be far more robust to cover all of these avenues.</p> <p>The SMC is not just accepting our fate, it is top priority for us, we are working with these insurers, for the time being the statuesque remains that is what we have, on an ongoing basis will engage to the insurers and come to same kind of arrangement. It is just important for everyone organizing events need to understand the predicament the Association is in.</p> <p>In die nuwe polis is daar; flying model aircraft at full-size airports for the million rand cover? Is dit member-member? Dit is net member-member</p> <p>Het die polis al klaar ingetree? Ja die polis was verlede jaar Oktober op vir hernuwing. We got the document and we then requested a delayed period, we paid and then again negotiated and the insurers came back with an increased premium, paid more to get more benefits. This policy will run until October of this year when it is up for renewal.</p> <p>The major issue here is the risk to the SAMAA in it's totally. We know that insurers will go where the money is, so if we sanction events it means we as all of the members and the committee will be held liable.</p> <p>Die risk assessment; is daar soos 'n program of 'n time line wanneer dit beplan word om te doen? Nee het eers probeer om by die AGM verby te kom. Dit is top priority en van more af sal ons kyk om tyd lynne uit te kry en te kyk daarna.</p>	
9	Constitutional points raised by members of the Association – Nil were received. SAMAA Chairman thanked the SMC and The Hub for making the	



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	AGM possible tonight. For the first virtual AGM it was a big success. Thanked all the members.	
11	Meeting was closed at 19:36	