



MINUTES

AMEU AFFILIATES VIRTUAL MAIN MEETING

PLACE

VIA Microsoft Teams

TIME

1 August 2023 @ 09:00 – 11:00

Description	Action
<p>1. Welcome – Notice convening the meeting Keseree Rajoo opened the meeting and welcomed the AMEU President, Affiliate committee members, affiliate members, honorary members, and all stakeholders attending the meeting.</p>	<p>KR</p>
<p>2. Attendance and apologies 31 Members attended with apologies received from AMEU Strategic Advisor Vally Padayachee and L Modiselle who asked to be excused early.</p>	<p>JV</p>
<p>3. Minutes of previous meeting Minutes noted as circulated.</p>	
<p>4. Matters arising None</p>	
<p>5. Correspondence Email from Vincent York as below: ‘Many thanks, much appreciated, I see a lot of challenges still lie ahead what with the indeterminate authorities between the Minister 2 & Minister 1 in relation to independent power generators and in obtaining paying users and payments at the end of the line. On our side, our new sales executive Micah had a meeting with InvestSA and will be perusing the opportunities from that grouping.’ Vincent further elaborated in the meeting that his email meant to seek clarity on communication regarding infrastructure theft and vandalism. In response AMEU President</p>	

Jayshree Pershad stated that she will take it up with Vally Padayachee and also advised that the correct platform where the challenge would be fully addressed is at SARPA.

Rens Bindeman also responded in agreement to AMEU President that the matter raised by Vincent York would be best addressed at SARPA and he shared his contact details in the chat for Vincent York to use.

6. Memberships

J Venter reported that two member companies had joined AMEU but unfortunately one member company had resigned from the AMEU as at the date of the meeting.

The new member companies that joined are:

- Bizzco Professional Training
- National Meteorology

The member companies that left are:

- Elexpert

Reasons stated for the member that left was due to Hendrick Barnard retiring. However, he will still be participating in some of the committees. At the date of the meeting the current membership was standing at 124.

K Rajoo also requested that where new members are concerned there be communication so that a welcome pack can be prepared for them. In response J Venter stated that he was working on having a continuous interaction with the new members and he will be working on sending those invites to the new members. J Venter also stated that the meeting would also invite chairs of the committee of the Associations as well as the chairperson for the Affiliates.

7. Affiliates Honorary Membership Nominations

Nominations are open for the 2023 Convention.

8. AMEU Committee Feedback

8.1 **Supplier Chain Management**- Keseree Rajoo stated based on previous meetings members were keen on having Supply Chain Issues addressed. H Roos also confirmed that there were discussions regarding the Supply Chain that had begun but no feedback had been received at the date of the meeting regarding the next steps. J Venter responded suggesting that main pressure points from the Affiliates be collected and J Venter to be invited to the committee

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meeting to discuss these points and the next possible steps. AMEU President also supported the suggestion by J Venter and also further suggested that the issues be addressed. In conclusion, K Rajoo extended an invitation to Affiliate members to put their Supply Chain challenges in the chat box or send them via email to affiliate.secretary@vdw.co.za.

8.2 AMEU Transformation- K Rajoo stated that it has been put on hold and feedback will be given once it has been reassigned.

9. Finance

Income Statement as at 21 July 2023

Sales Income-R404 565,26- Income from Exhibition stands and golf day

Total Income-R404 565,26

Gross Profit-R404 565,26

Expense

Convention Costs-R79 840,00- Booking Sunday event at the Barnyard and the Sports day at the CSIR

Events-R21 476,25- costs paid for Business Leadership Breakfast. Affiliates encouraged to RSVP and also invite their clients. RSVP to be sent to jburn@telkomsa.net

Exhibition Costs-R469 076,75- Convention Costs at the CSIR as well as the service providers

Golf Days-R115 677,70- Golf-day costs

Total Advertising and Promotions-R686 070,70

Bank Service Charges-R688,15

Total Expense-R686 758,85

Net Ordinary Income -R282 193,59

Other Income

Interest Income-R38 294,01

Total Other Income-R38 294,01

Net Other Income-R38 294,01

Profit for the Year -R243 899,58 which will change when payments have come in for the exhibitions.

Balance sheet 21 July 2023

Cash at bank and in hand

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AMEU Affiliates Current Account-R218 573,10
 AMEU Affiliates Market Link-R1 327 798,87
 Total Cash at bank and in hand-R1 546 371,97
 Accounts Receivable-R154 397,26
 Total Accounts Receivable-R154 397,26
 Total Current Assets-R1 700 769,23
 TOTAL ASSETS-R1 700 769,23
 LIABILITIES & EQUITY
 Liabilities
 Current Liabilities
 Other Current Liabilities
 VAT Control-R129 943,62
 Total Other Current Liabilities-R129 943,62
 Total Current Liabilities-R129 943,62
 Total Liabilities-R129 943,62
 Capital and Reserves
 Share Capital Account-R2 072 000,11
 Retained Earnings -R257 274,92
 Profit for the Year -R243 899,58
 Shareholder funds -R1 570 825,61
 TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY-R1 700 769,23

10. Golf Day 2024

Nothing to discuss. The new committee will be tasked with this after the convention.

11. AMEU Convention 2023

11.1 Sports day and Sports dinner- J Burn stated that the Sports day will take place at the CSIR grounds and teams will be building go-karts and participating in field Olympics as part of teambuilding exercise. The Sports Dinner is scheduled to take place at the Barnyard and the theme is 'Thank you for the music'.

11.2 AMEU Convention- J Burn stated that stands were fully booked and the Exhibition Manual will be sent to all exhibitors for communication with their own contracted stand builders. J Venter also added that call for papers had closed and voting had been completed as well as the draft for the programme which was scheduled to be sent out two weeks or less from the date of meeting. He also further stated that Sponsorship was going well

<p>but there was still need for Sponsorship for spousal events.</p>	
<p>12. Business Leadership Breakfast J Burn stated that the Business Leadership Breakfast was scheduled to take place on the 1st of September at the Johannesburg Country Club starting at 7am for 7:30am.</p> <p>13. AMEU Executive affairs</p> <p>V Padayachee unfortunately could not attend the meeting and his presentation would be circulated to all Affiliate members.</p> <p>14 AMEU Branch Affairs</p> <p>K Rajoo stated that she and D Turton had attended the Eastern Cape Branch meeting and that Vally Padayachee had tried to connect virtually but it was a challenge. It was then concluded that in future his presentation would be sent out beforehand where one is unable to attend so that it be read out at the meeting. She also further applauded the Branch for a well organised meeting and she stated that there was a significant number of Utilities in attendance at the meeting which is really encouraging.</p> <p>H Roos also added that feedback he had received from D Turton regarding the Limpopo Branch meeting was good. More utilities attended the meeting which is really encouraging and he further commended the AMEU President for the efforts made thus far to engage Branches on how meetings can be improved as well as participation increased.</p> <p>15 Distribution of Funds to Branches</p> <p>J Venter stated that the combined Trust Account implemented the beginning of the year has been running smoothly and he hopes to include WIE as a Branch in the future.</p> <p>16 AMEU Awards 2022</p> <p>J Venter stated that the rules have been relooked for the Awards and they are now taking the approach for projects and it is a great opportunity for Affiliates as they can get airtime on their projects with the Municipalities.</p> <p>AMEU President also further clarified that the project will need to have been completed in the last three years and the beneficiary is a Utility or Government. She also further encouraged Affiliates to submit their projects for consideration on the Awards.</p> <p>17 AMEU e-Newsletter</p>	<p>JB</p> <p>KR/HR</p> <p>JV</p> <p>JV</p>

J Venter encouraged Affiliate members to advertise any articles or products on the newsletter and it is free of charge and it is running on a three-week cycle now.

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18 PIESA

AMEU President stated that the next PIESA meeting is scheduled to take place during the AMEU Convention in October 2023.

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Nothing to report

20 SABS

P Padayachee stated that they had a hybrid round table on standardisation and Quality Assurance re-imagined on the 21st of June 2023. The issues of discussion were regarding the people that can be contacted for various interests from Affiliates. He also stated that the meeting was fruitful and all updates have been updated on the SABS website (www.sabs.co.za) for Affiliates to use. P Padayachee also stated that any information on standardisation that Affiliates may need they can get in contact with him on paddy@ret.co.za and he will escalate accordingly.

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21 NRS

Nothing to Report.

22 SARPA

Rens Bindeman gave extended gratitude to the AMEU Affiliates for their support and affiliation. stated that SARPA current interactions entail:

- SARPA Conference scheduled to take place from the 3rd-4th of August 2023 with Sponsorship received from EtheKwini Municipality. He also encouraged Affiliates to register and attend.
- Sensitising Roadshow regarding the vandalism of the infrastructure has been going well and they are currently busy with Limpopo and North West being the next on the books.
- Guidelines for SARPA are scheduled to be finalised at the SARPA Convention
- North West province excited to resume Branch meetings
- Highveld Branch now changed to Gauteng Branch within SARPA
- TID Roll-over all the discos in Nigeria now running on TID Roll-over in full.
- Interaction with SALGA is underway and they will be making presentations at the upcoming Convention as well.
- SARPA Library is open for members to download documents for any information that members may require

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Upcoming events:

- **3-4 August 2023 SARPA 2023 Convention (Durban)**
- **17-18 August 2023 Western Cape Branch in Robertson's**
- **31st of August Mpumalanga Branch**
- **Training BEC in Botswana on revenue protection**

23 WIE

L Modiselle apologised for not attending previous meetings due to clash in times with internal meetings at the Municipality. She stated that WIE had been invited to Namibia and she and the previous WIE Chairperson attended were in attendance and they learnt a lot from the colleagues in Namibia. L Modiselle also further stated that another invite had been extended to WIE to participate in the BRICS Youth Summit 2023 on the 3rd and the 4th of August. She also further stated that in celebration of Women's Month there will be a physical meeting in Durban at Conlog facilities at the Dube Port for WIE and she kindly requested that member affiliate companies support the initiative through Sponsorship and attendance. Member companies can send through their correspondence to: **WiESecretary@vdw.co.za**.

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P Padayachee stated that on the 27th of July he attended the partnership programme and he stated that AMEU and SAIEE have an MOU which gives Affiliates discounted rates for advertising on Watt Now magazine as well as a range of products they have on offer. He also stated that should Affiliates need further information regarding this they can email him at paddy@ret.co.za and he will escalate accordingly.

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25 General

Nothing raised

26 Closing

AMEU President thanked all Affiliates for attending the meeting and supporting the upcoming AMEU Convention in October and K Rajoo also thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

Next date of meeting is 26th of September 2023.