



MINUTES OF MEETING 291 OF THE HIGHVELD BRANCH MEETING, HELD AT SCHEINDER ELECTRIC, MSC SITE, 9 OLD PRETORIA MAIN ROAD, MIDRAND, ON THURSDAY 31 OCTOBER 2019 AT 09:00

1. Opening and Welcome

The chairlady, Mrs. Mokgadi Magemba opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees. She furthermore acknowledged Scheinder Electric and appreciated the Meeting was informed of the electing new executives for the branch

2. Safety Briefing

Mr. Gideon Ferreira from Scheinder Electric shared all relevant and necessary safety and emergency drills to all attendees.

3. Acknowledgement and thanks

The chairlady thanked Scheinder Electric for hosting and ensuring that all logistic are on par. Meeting was informed to ensure that they sign the attendance register accordingly.

4. Announcements and obituaries

The launch of WiE Nationally and nominations of both Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson.

5. Visitors, Attendance and apologies

Visitors were recorded as:

- Vijay Moodley
- Nkele Motshegwa
- Edwin Subramoney
- SM Swanepoel
- IR Bindman

Apologies were recorded as:

- Mr. Valley Padayachee
- Mr. Frans Brabdown
- Ms. Granny Moreli
- Mr. Cecil Lester
- Mr. Lucas Munyai
- Mr. Arr Nel
- Both Ms Punky Majola and Granny Murale will be late.

6. Additional AGENDA items to be discussed(Motions)

Chairperson announced the need to nominate HDI portfolio for Highveld branch.

Ms. Punky Majola was nominated to the task.

7. Confirmation of minutes of the previous Branch Meeting

Minutes were amended as follows:

- Change nominations notice from Highveld Nominations to WiE nominations
- Add apology for Mokgadi Mageta

Minutes were confirmed as true reflection of the previous meeting.

8. AMEU Strategic Advisor form Executive Council

In absentee of Mr. Valley Padayachee, Mr. Thomas Mutshidza provided feedback with a presentation which focused on:

SALGA ENERGY REFERENCE GROUP: unbundling of ESKOM and how it affects municipalities.

TID 2024 rollover challenges

Migration of INEP funding to USDG

AMUE President's 2019 legacy projects

AMEU papers and publicity

AMEU technical DoE Solar Heating programme

Network Charges- third party wheeling on municipal grids

MISA National Framework contract for training.

9. Women in Electricity Report back

The presenter Mrs. Pinky Majola announced that WiE nationally is fully equipped and the need for Highveld Branch Representatives. She emphasized that the Eastern Cape Branch is fully launched, the need for Highveld Branch to be launched and functional

She further more emphasized that the structure of the Highveld branch is fully functional and social site (outreach programme: visiting schools by mentoring pupils and had engaged Vaal University on students doing Electricity projects).

Ms. Majola stated the need for nominations on Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson and Secretary of WiE.

Nominations for Highveld Branch were as follows:

Chairperson: Ms. Granny Moreki from Mfuleni Municipality

Deputy Chairperson: Pulelo Mphahlele from City of Tshwane Municipality

Secretary: Noshusha Della from Lesedi Municipality

10. Matters arising from the Minutes and not on the AGENDA

Clarity from inspectors:

Feedback on restructuring of electrical inspectors was withdrawn during the AMEU conference.

The municipal Infrastructure which was disbanded for installation of meters changed its name to Association Municipal Electrical Inspectors

11. Matters arising from special advisors presentation

12. Presentations:

- Schneider – Host presentation by Ms. Mametse Mashalane
 - Tank Industries – Mr. Stuart Thompson
 - Nyamezela Metering- Hazel Kahari: Emergency Request and presentation is postponed to the next meeting.
 - CT: Mr. Labs Gys Nieseng .Presentation was cancelled as Mr. Nieseng was rushed to hospital
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- Conference feedback
 - Mr. Gordon Aarons from affiliates stated that the conference will be fantastic and lot of changes are to be expected.
 - The members were informed that EXCO meeting is scheduled for the upcoming week
 - Ms. Cindy Maree will put all dates for next year's meeting and emphasized that no date will be changed
 - Golf day is booked for May 28, and all were advised to diarize accordingly
 - The photos for previous convention were out on the website and only hiking pictures were outstanding
 - He further more stated that the conference was outstanding.

13. Hot topic Debate

The audience concluded that there are more positive points and opportunities around Small Scale Embedded Generation than what there are negatives, and in fact a whole industry is waiting to develop around SSEG.

14. Correspondence

None recorded to the meeting

15. News form other branches

- Natal Branch meeting - 24 November 2019
- Good Hope Branch Meeting – Pleittenberg Bay AMEU EXCO Meeting from 05 to 08 November 2019
- Limpopo Branch meeting - 21-22 November
- Clarence Branch Meeting- 29 November Central Branch Meeting

- Mpumalanga Branch Meeting – members were informed that the meeting was held previous week and it was well attended.

16. Expansion of network and newsletter

Mr. Max Clarke announced that issue 99 of newsletter was ready for printing and the 100th issue will be published by March 2020.

He further stated that the Newsletter is always available on the AMEU website page or mpcc@mweb.co.za

It was further announced the issue was 33 years old

17. Dates of Highveld meetings in 2019

- 20 February 2020 at CPI Midrand.
- 21 May 2020 venue to be confirmed
- 15 October 2020 venue to be confirmed

18. Closing of meeting by chairlady

Chairlady thanked Schneider Electrical for the hosting the successful the event.