

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
SOUTH AFRICAN DEFENSIVE PISTOL ASSOCIATION
HELD AT EDGECOMBE HOUSE CONFERENCE CENTRE, MIDRAND

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 6 MAY 2015

PRESENT: As per attendance register.

PROXIES – handed to Treasurer and captured for record purposes.

OPENING: Francois de Klerk opened the AGM at 18h00 but due to a quorum not being present, adjourned the meeting for 30 minutes. After 30 minutes had elapsed, Chairman re-opened the meeting and welcomed everybody present.

APOLOGIES: N Bernhard NvdNest J.v.Huyssteen R Fritz C Gertsner

Objection lodged to the meeting being held mid-week by Pretoria Defensive Pistol Club and Rooikraal Shooting Club.

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS AGM MINUTES:

- Minutes not accepted due to the fact that points raised by E.Supra had not been answered satisfactorily (AR) and due to the fact that the minutes had not been uploaded onto the website, there were many unanswered questions.

- T.Holder also queried the fact that the minutes stated some portfolio reports had not been received at the time the minutes were sent out. Secretary explained this was because draft minutes were sent to the Executive Committee within 3 weeks of the AGM, when reports were not on file. Subsequent to that all reports were received with the exception of the Chairman and Treasurer's reports, which were never received.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

1. **Changes to Constitution** – suggested wording was read by D.Storm for the following points:
 - 1.1 SADPA Director Administration and Secretarial combined.
 - 1.2 Point b – Conduct all official correspondence pertaining to the proper preparation and forwarding of all reports required of SADPA and SAGA. The words “and SAGA” to be removed from the Constitution.
 - 1.3 Article II – Goals
To maintain an affiliation with the International Defensive Pistol Association (IDPA) and such other associations the annual general meeting may approve of. Remove South African Gun Owners Association (SAGA) – agreed by all present would be removed from the Constitution.
 - 1.4 Rotating Chairperson – AR suggested that the members should choose the Chairperson, not the Exco. DS advised it was done in this manner so that the election of Chairperson did not become a political decision and read suggested wording for this point, as follows.

The Chairperson is appointed on an annual rotating system, where he/she will serve a term of 12 months where after a next Executive member will take over as Chairperson. The newly elected Exco elects the Chairperson, by majority vote at the first executive meeting of the newly appointed Exco. The Exco may re-elect the same Chairperson that presided in the previous 12 months, for a second term, provided that the same person cannot be elected to serve more than 2 consecutive terms as Chairperson. The functions of the Chairperson are as follows:

- a. Direct and control meetings in a co-ordinating and non-executive role
- b. Sign in conjunction with the Director Administration all relevant documents pertaining to the Association.
- c. Fulfil a ceremonial role during functions.
- d. Accept the office with effect from being elected at the AGM of a relevant calendar year.

- 1.5 Article XII – amendments to the Association Constitution – Page 9 (first paragraph). The words “The proposal shall then be forwarded to IDPA headquarters in the United States of America for their consideration. After they have been approved/disapproved by the Headquarters of IDPA, they must be acted upon by the Exco” – delete from the Constitution .

C.Baleta asked why the changes discussed and agreed at last year’s annual general meeting had not been implemented into the Constitution. Suggested changes should have been sent to all club Chairman 10 days prior to the annual general meeting so that they could be accepted at the meeting. DS will re-draft the Constitution and secretary will re-type, incorporating changes.

Standard Operating Procedures must also be updated (DS).

- Dedicated Status report to CFR – AR requested the deadline for submission of this report to CFR? DS stated this report was being submitted January each year, but we were currently including too much information as CFR required a disciplinary action report, a list of names and ID of members whose DSS had been revoked or lapsed. Would be submitted going forward.

AR asked why the opportunity to do Safety Officer training in far-away regions, i.e. Namibia was not offered to all SO Instructors? What had the cost of this training been for SADPA? PR responded R10 000 per air ticket and Namibia covered all other costs to train 8 safety officers, originally 16 members were to be trained. AR asked how many members Namibia currently had renewed with SADPA to support such expenditure, MH replied 4 or 5 members.

- SADPA EXCO Meeting Minutes – queried why minutes received with AGM notification and not loaded onto the website? Same query raised at last year’s AGM, but the problem had not been rectified? DvH stated minutes could not be uploaded onto website due to technical problems, but this would be solved going forward as SADPA website was going to be upgraded. DS said the AGM was not the forum to discuss points from SADPA Exco meetings and AR referred to point D, page 3 which specified that members need to be informed by the Association. If minutes were not uploaded onto the website, members had no way of knowing what was discussed and/or decisions made at SADPA Exco meetings. AR said there were many points which need clarification from SADPA Exco meetings.

Finances Major Matches

2 years back clubs did not carry loss from a major match. DvH said the wording in the bid application was unclear, if a club makes a profit from a major match they will keep the profit, but if a club makes a loss from a major match, SADPA will carry the loss provided the match is up to SADPA standards. AR requested major match criteria be put onto the website so that all clubs are aware of the requirements to host a major match.

SADPA were paid R30 000 sponsorship for a major match and SE questioned why this was not shown as income in the financial statements. JDPC made R8,000 loss from Africa Champs and SADPA covered the loss. JDPC paid back R22 000 during 2015.

- Provincial & Association Colours – AR asked why nothing had happened since the last AGM, how are we going to grow the sport without provincial and national colours? Currently both Ed.Rossiter and M.Groome have working models, based on classifiers only. Masters will be required to shoot a classifier to qualify for the log, agreed by all. DS emphasized it must be a system fair to all shooters in accordance with IDPA principles. Sub-committee will be formed consisting of Nicholas vd Nest, Mark Groome, Cobus van Rensburg and Etienne Supra.
- Pricing targets and patches – AR informed the last AGM that he used a supplier that delivered these commodities at a much lower price that was being charged by SADPA. Treasurer should have followed up with AR, which did not happen. This would be followed up by new Exco. Request made that regions be allowed to manufacture their own stock of targets which would prove to be cheaper without the transport cost. Targets must be manufactured strictly in accordance with IDPA specifications, and targets would be rejected if they did not meet required specification. DS will approach IDPA and motivate due to regional restrictions.
- Budget had been requested at 2014 AGM and should be presented at AGM for approval. SE agreed that working without a budget meant all monies spent during the year were misappropriation of funds, i.e. no authorized expenditure. AR requested a special general meeting to investigate 2014 finances as the breakdown of expenditure was incomplete, which made the financial statements invalid.
- Financial queries related to cost of running a portfolio according to the financials, i.e. new club development only one amount, no breakdown. Travel one amount, should be allocated accordingly, Advertising R18 190 monies must be re-allocated. TH objected to the bookkeeper a lady who worked in Fdek's office and the auditor was the same who audited his private company, must be independent. SE commented that had the auditor read the constitution and monthly minutes, he would have picked up queries. Nobody outside the association has any knowledge of the financials other than Treasurer and SADPA Exco. S.Elder will meet with FdeK before SGM and obtain a breakdown of each executive division.
- AR queried the fact that zero was spent on new club development, why not investing money into the clubs? M.Groome suggested that rather than give clubs a loan, invest in range equipment with the understanding that should the club close, the equipment remains SADPA property. Consider initial spend of R100 000 on

standard equipment or starter kits. Will be investigated by new executive committee.

- DS stated it had been brought to his attention that the import permit invoice in the sum of R1995.00 had not been paid to date. AR questioned why SADPA would carry this cost?

PORTFOLIO FEEDBACK

Chairman's Report – Chairman read report 2014 and handed hard copy to Secretary.

Treasurer's Report – Financial Statements had been sent to all members but in light of the financial queries would not be accepted at this meeting.

CvRensburg asked if queries concerning employment of MH had been dealt with namely letter of appointment, SARS registration, IRP3, UIF deductions, need to sort internal administrative issues. Fdek replied that the organisation was currently in the process of being registered with SARS, waiting for ID document from DS.

- New Club Development – report tabled by Paul Rogers, and copy handed to secretary.
- Matches & Competitions – report tabled and hard copy handed to Secretary. Question asked whether moving the date of the N.Nationals in favour of HUNTEX necessary? TH requested a decision on members shooting 2 or 3 stages without finishing? Currently viewed as a DNF, but member would get points for the shoot. CB queried match equipment checks that we not being done at away club? DvH replied only necessary at national level.
- Marketing & Sponsorship – report tabled.
- Safety & Training – report tabled and hard copy handed to secretary. Confirmed SO's need to re-certify July to August 2015. CvRensburg thank AA for a comprehensive report. ATayob expressed concern that he was not listed as an SO on the IDPA website, therefore would not be allowed to SO at World Cup. DS gave the undertaking to ensure IDPA HQ had an updated SO list.
- Director – Administration – absent from the meeting, report read by the Chairman, had previously been sent electronically to Chairman and Secretary. A quotation for R80 000 had been obtained for website upgrade. DS emphasized that new system should be installed as quickly as possible, agreed by members present. Additional quotations would be obtained.

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

Directors who had served a 2 year term of office and whose portfolios were due for re-election. Voting done via secret ballot, which resulted in the following new Exco members being appointed:

Steve Elder	Treasurer
Andreas Duhring	Director: Marketing and Sponsorship
Asif Tayob	Director: New Club Development
Ettiene Supra	Director: Matches & Competitions

ADDITIONAL ITEMS:

- Sport Shooting Forum – P Oxley tabled extensive report which would be handed to Secretary. Request made that P and L. Oxley and J Schoeman be thanked for their time spent representing us. CB stated wish list to be discussed. SSF donation, agreed R5 000 every 3 months – annual contribution of R20 000 would be made 2015.
- Firearm's Summit – P Oxley tabled extensive report, copy would be handed to Secretary.
- Oral Submissions to Police commissioner in June – P Oxley tabled report, would be handed to Secretary.
- Second Paid administrative position – Exco proposed that a 2nd administrative person be appointed but this required approval from members present at the AGM. SADPA annual fee had been increased by R50.00 in support of salary for such a position which could cost in the region of R50 000 annually. This decision would not be made until 2014 financials finalized.
- Endorsements Bolt and Lever Action rifles discussed at last AGM, not noted in minutes. DvH suggested this request be put to the vote and it was decided use of these rifles will only be allowed at club level NFC, and endorsement will state only allowed to be used T1 matches.
- SO incentives M.Groome suggested that when a SO qualified they be given a free timer, or 50% discount off membership if they had SO'ed the required number of shoots.
- Use of Proxies – CB suggested that electronic voting system be utilized via SKYPE online, so that members could vote for nominated person on SADPA Exco two weeks before the AGM. This would give the member access to what was happening and be a part in decisions made. Use technical survey monkey.

CHAIRMAN

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