



# Eastern Province Athletics

## Annual General Meeting



MEETING DATE	29 MARCH 2021
MEETING VENUE	WESTBOURNE OVAL, WESTBOURNE ROAD, CENTRAL
MEETING NUMBER	2021 03
TOTAL PAGES	4

AGENDA ITEM NO.	AGENDA ITEMS/ACTIONS:
1	<p><b>OPENING AND WELCOME</b></p> <p>Mr Thabethe welcomed the clubs and Commission members to the meeting. The attendance register and Covid-19 forms are at the entrance to be completed. He requested that members maintain the social distancing and keep wearing masks. He advised that some members will be joining the meeting via Microsoft Teams.</p>
2	<p><b>ATTENDANCE &amp; APOLOGIES</b></p> <p><b>Attendance:</b></p> <p><b>Board:</b> Mr S Thabethe (President), Ms I van Eeden (Vice President), Mr A Williams (Cross Country Chairperson) Mr Marvin Draai (Development), Ms Esteleen Hawkins (Track &amp; Field Chairperson), Johan van Greunen (Masters), Genevieve Laycock (Road Running Chairperson), Mr Godfrey Goliath (Technical Officials Chairperson), James Jobo (USSA),</p> <p><b>Clubs with voting rights:</b> 32GI, Achilles, Aspen, Bestmed Madibaz, Bluewater Bay, Body Concept, Charlo AC, Crusaders AC, Despatch AC, Elite AC, Ikhamva AC, Infinity AC, Jeffreys Bay AC, Kowie Striders, Madiba Bay Warriors, Malabar AC, Muirite Striders, Nedbank RC, NMBM AC, Profiles AC, Run 4 Christ AC, SAPS AC, Transnet Port Authorities, Vukani MS, Walmer AC,</p> <p><b>Clubs with no voting rights:</b> Hollywood Bets, Rhodes University, St Albans AC, Tinarha AC, Volkswagen AC, X-Cel AC.</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Gelvan AC</p> <p><b>Clubs not in attendance:</b> Heat AC, Motherwell AC, PEAAAC, Cambedoo AC, Act AC, Big House AC, Bo-Karoo AC, Graaff-Reinet AC, SANDF EP, Somerset East AC, Spar EC, St Francis AC, Volo Vikings AC, Youth for Change AC, Albany Runners, Coega AC, Cradock AC, Dept Public Works AC, Transnet Engineering AC, Umf AC, Atlantic Aces AC.</p>
3	<p><b>READING OF THE NOTICE OF THE MEETING</b></p> <p>Mr Williams read the notice of the meeting.</p>
4	<p><b>PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM</b></p> <p>Ms van Eeden reminded the delegates of the decision taken at the 2019 AGM whereby clubs that miss more than three meetings in a calendar year, will forfeit their voting rights. Clubs that have not paid affiliation fees prior to the AGM also forfeits their voting rights for the year. Ms van Eeden stated that there are 9 out of 11 Board members, 23 out of 27 Metro clubs, and 2 out of 3 out of town clubs present. Therefore, with 34 out of 39 votes present, a quorum is present and the meeting can continue.</p>
5	<p><b>RATIFICATION OF NEW CLUB/S</b></p> <p>Ms van Eeden suggested that Atlantic Aces AC now be accepted as a club although they do not have voting rights due to the non-attendance at meetings the previous year.</p>

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6	<p><b>AUDITING OF EXISTING CLUBS</b></p> <p>No clubs were audited or require auditing at this stage.</p>
7	<p><b>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD 16 NOVEMBER 2020</b></p>
7.1	<p>Mr Thabethe confirmed that the minutes of the previous meeting was sent in time and in line with the Constitution.</p> <p><b>Corrections</b>  P1 2 – The representative from Vukani MS advised that he had not received notification of any previous meetings and requested that the contact information be updated. He further advised that Mr Bambalaza was not mandated to represent the club at the previous AGM. Ms van Eeden advised that she will correct his portfolio back to a Board Member, but noted that Vukani therefore had no representative at the meeting.</p> <p>There were no further corrections and the minutes were accepted as correct by Mr van Eeden and seconded by Mr Williams.</p>
	<p><b>Matters arising</b></p> <p>No matters were raised for discussion.</p>
8	<p><b>AUDITED STATEMENTS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT</b></p> <p>Mr Thabethe confirmed that the Audited Financial statements were sent to the members prior to the meeting in terms of the Constitution and that members were given the opportunity to raise queries. No queries were received. He requested Ms van Eeden to submit her report. Ms van Eeden presented her report for the Financial report for the period ending December and highlighted certain aspects and thanked the members for their support. The full report is attached.</p> <p>Mr Thabethe thanked Ms van Eeden for the work that is being done with the Finances. The Audited Financial statement was approved as correct by Mr Mandell (32GI) and seconded by Mr Williams (Cross Country Chairperson).</p>
9	<p><b>APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS</b></p> <p>Ms van Eeden advised that as per the previous agreement, the current Auditors (Trevor Wait &amp; Partners Uitenhage) will continue and the appointment will be reviewed at the 2022 AGM. No objections were received from the members.</p>
10	<p><b>PRESIDENT ANNUAL REPORT</b></p> <p>Ms van Eeden took over the Chairing of the meeting and requested the President to present his report.</p> <p>Mr Thabethe requested a moment of silence in respect of those members who have lost their lives, or lost family members.</p> <p>Mr Thabethe read his report, which was handed out to the delegates at the meeting. He discussed cancellation of events, non purchasing of licencing, payment of affiliation fees, postponement of the elections, protocols to be followed, Coaching, Road Running etc.</p> <p>Ms van Eeden thanked Mr Thabethe for a comprehensive report and welcomed questions or comments on the President report from the floor.</p>

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	<p>Mr Mbambani (Ikhamva) confirmed that a meeting with all Coaches was held at the University and that Mr Draai was appointed as the Chairperson. Mr Mbambani stated that he is concerned about the comment that Mr Draai was mandated to attend to the matter and proposed that the President call a meeting with all the Coaches and ensure that they are registered and trained. Mr Thabethe confirmed that he will attend to the matter.</p> <p>Ms van Eeden thanked the President for this comprehensive report and handed the meeting back to the President.</p>
11	<b>VOTING ON MOTIONS IN RESPECT OF</b>
12	<p><b>11.1 Honorary Life Membership</b></p> <p>No submissions were received.</p> <p><b>11.2 Service Awards</b></p> <p>No submissions were received.</p> <p><b>EASTERN PROVINCE COLOURS AWARDS</b></p> <p>No new applications for EPA Colours were received as there has not been any further National events.</p>
13	<p><b>MOTIONS</b></p> <p>Mr Thabethe requested delegates to ensure that all Motions are submitted in time. The motion, which was received late, will however be discussed. Ms van Eeden informed the Council that a motion received from EPA Track &amp; Field requesting financial assistance for the EPA Teams that will be participating at ASA Championships in 2021. Ms van Eeden reminded the delegates of the decision that was made at the 2019 AGM to carry over profits to the 2020 teams. After a discussion, she proposed that an amount of R80000.00 be made available to the EPA Teams that will be participating in 2021. The income from the last four Track &amp; Field Series will also be utilized towards the teams.</p> <p>Mr Thabethe queried what the budget allocation for the team would have been during a normal year. Ms van Eeden stated that the allocation would have been R100000.00. Ms van Eeden advised that the profit from 2019 and 2020 amounted to R128000.00. As a loss at the end of 2021 is further predicted, she advised that she can not allocate more than the R80000.00 proposed.</p> <p>Vukani AC queried whether the athletes will still be required to pay an amount towards the trip if the R80000.00 is allocated. Ms van Eeden explained that the Track &amp; Field commission makes the decision on the split between the two teams. The total number of athletes and the total costs will be the determining factor on how much each member must still contribute.</p> <p>NMBM AC queried whether all the athletes selected for the teams are required to achieve a qualifying standard. Ms Hawkins confirmed this as correct.</p> <p>Mr Thabethe stated that if EPA budgeted a certain amount for each team, he would not like to reduce the amount under normal circumstances, however due to the fact that EPA is limited to generate income through events. Charlo AC queried whether EPA has any other means of generating income. Mr Thabethe stated that the Country is still under lockdown, which limits the number of athletes at events. The Legacy events are the only events currently on the fixture list and EPA requires the full support of all the clubs at these events.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Page 3</b></p>

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	<p>Clubs are currently not hosting events due to the limitations. Mr Thabethe referred to his report earlier where he requested Road Running commission to come up with a plan to continue to earn revenue for EPA.</p> <p>32GI stated that EPA has an obligation to our athletes to encourage them to continue to perform and stated that under the circumstances, the reduction to R80000.00 is justifiable and reiterated that clubs should motivate their members to purchase licences for the future of EP Athletics. Vukani AC supported the motion by 32GI.</p> <p>The members approved the allocation of R80000.00 to Track &amp; Field.</p> <p>Mr Mbambani advised that he is in discussions with NMBM regarding a request for a deviation of the Legacy Project and stated that he would brief the Vice President in the following week.</p> <p>Ms Hawkins accepted the amount and thanked the Council for the contribution.</p>
14	<p><b>CLOSURE</b></p> <p>Mr Thabethe thanked everyone for their input in the meeting. The meeting was declared as closed at 19h03.</p>

Minutes were accepted as correct with corrections to be made on the meeting held on

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EPA Board Member

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