

FFSA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES 2 MARCH 2018

14h30 at News Café, Alberton

1. MEMBERS PRESENT

Mike Stafford, Gunter Schroder, Wim Dreyer and Tony Rademeyer.

2. RATIFICATION OF MINUTES JANUARY 2018

The minutes of the Exco meeting of 19 January 2018 are approved.

3. MATTERS ARISING

3.1. BENE MERUIT AWARD

The award will be presented to Uwe Schroder at the Limpopo Open.

3.2. TROPHY AGREEMENT GILBERT MCCAUL

Stand over

3.3. INSURANCE CLAIM EASTERN CAPE

The claim was submitted and approved by the insurance. The money from insurance should cover most of the loss and equipment will be returned to Eastern Cape.

3.4. DISTRIBUTION OF EQUIPMENT

All the FIE equipment was distributed. FFSA received funding for equipment. It is suggested that some equipment will be distributed to Limpopo and EC (i.e. gloves). Three starter kits will be made available to Mamelodi, Diepkloof and Mpumalanga. Tony is still investigating the best options for reels and scoring equipment. There are several suppliers and all will get the opportunity to quote. Preference will be given to members of the fencing community.

Gunter will attend to the starter kits and equipment needs at the upcoming Limpopo Open.

4. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

4.1. REVISION OF POLICY DOCUMENTS

The various commissions sent their documents to Gunter. He sent it out to Exco.



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Sport and Recreation South Africa
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

Fencing Federation of South Africa
Affiliated with SRSA <> SASCOC <> FIE <> CAE
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Official web site: www.safencer.co.za.

Gunter will integrate all the policy documents to one documents with different chapters / sections. The document will be sent out to Council for feedback before the end of March. The final document will be sent out by 18 April, to be in time for the AGM.

5. AGM 2018 AND STRATEGY MEETING

The AGM and strategy meeting will take place on Friday 18 May 2018, before National Championships. It will be held at Wanderers Golf Club. It will start at 13h00. And continue until finished, but not later than 8h00. Council will be present as well as specific persons on invitation. Refreshments will be arranged.

Notice of the AGM must be sent out as soon as possible so delegates could make travel arrangements.

6. PROVINCIAL MATTERS

6.1. Mpumalanga – constitution and other documents

The constitution presented to Exco has some weak points and needs to be revised. The Mpumalanga representatives will be assisted by Exco to get their constitution right. **(Gunter)**

6.2. Communication Kozma / Gauteng

Matter is concluded.

6.3. Provincial reports

To date the secretary only received reports of Mpumalanga, Freestate and Limpopo. The reports are essential for the completion of the 2018 Business Plan to be submitted to SRSA as well as the report to the AGM.

Mike will follow up with the outstanding provinces.

7. LEGAL COMMISSION

FFSA needs to access legal advice, sometimes urgently. Currently the feedback from the legal commission is too slow. Mike Stafford will follow up. If there are resignations from the commission,

Hananja Dreyer will be approached to become part of the legal commission.

8. COACHING

The first coaching course funded by SRSA and run by Exco will take place during the Limpopo Open. Thirteen people entered for the course. Gunter will be responsible for running the course, together with Andre Kovrynykh. It will be repeated during the KZN Open. Material will also be placed on the website. Manuals will also be made available.

Mpumalanga also requested support for a fencer and a coach to attend Limpopo Open and then coaching course. Eastern Cape also expressed the need of funding bringing people to the course.

Tony will negotiate the terms of assistance with the relevant people.

9. NATIONAL TEAMS

9.1. Junior Team

The Junior Team is currently in Nigeria for the Junior African Championships. To date they took two medals. There were problems with the organisation by the Nigerian federation, as some of the events were run simultaneously which excluded some fencers. The fencers participating are congratulated with their results.

9.2. Team to Junior World Championships

The proposal received the team to Junior World Championships was submitted by Patrick Collings. Exco will make it public.

9.3. SASCOC eligibility criteria

The eligibility criteria sent out by SASCOC was distributed. Exco will study the implications of the document.

Gunter gives feedback on the AGM of SASCOC. The AGM was declared illegal. Finances are under investigation. The SASCOC Board is currently dysfunctional. It means that the management of national representative teams are under pressure.

9.4. Responsibilities of team managers

The criteria for the appointment of team managers must be clarified. Previous documents were taken out of the archive, as well as more recent documents.

Patrick Collings need to present Exco with a document which could become part oof the main policy document.

Tony will present a document on the responsibilities of the national competitions organiser.

10. REFEREES

A report was submitted by M. Stafford and distributed to Council. There is good progress, but FFSA still very much dependent on senior referees. This will change as experience grows. Louise will run the referees at Limpopo Open.

The next referee's course will be run during the Gauteng Open. It will be structured as a refresher course for foil and sabre.

Joseph Maluleke requested to be sent on an international referees course. Money for that is limited. It means that he will have to refund FFSA.

11. FINANCE

11.1. Fees

Some provinces have to date paid no money over to FFSA. If provinces fail to transfer the membership fees, they will forfeit their right to participate.

Mike will follow up with the chairmen of provinces. Provinces who do not respond will not receive further assistance.

11.2. ABSA Partnership

Gunter sent out a proposal in which a third party in conjunction with ABSA proposes a way which could market fencing through free lessons. FFSA will have to enter into an agreement with ABSA. Coaches will have to buy into the process.

Gunter will send the proposal to all the role players / coaches to test their interest in participating in the project.

11.3. Business Plan 2018

Wim will initiate process asap

12. COMMUNICATION

Wim will send out guidelines in terms of internal communications processes. It also needs to be published on the internet.

13. ASSET REGISTER

The current asset register is not functional. A lot of items are not assets as such but personal equipment. The register will be limited to assets like pistes, scoring equipment and reels.

The auditors will be informed that specific items will be written off in the current year.

14. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is set provisionally for the 13th April 2018.