

SACLA 2016

Minutes of the SACLA 2016 Annual General Meeting held on 6 July 2016 at Cullinan Diamond Lodge, Cullinan



Present

Chair: Linda Marshall (UP)
Trudie Benade (NWU)
Lizani Botha (NWU)
Andre Calitz (NMMU)
Gunther Drevin (NWU)
Lynette Drevin (NWU)
Henry Foulds (NWU)
Ken Halland (UNISA)
Delia Kench (Wits)
Melisa Koorsse (NMMU)
Jan Kroeze (UNISA)
Wai Sze Leung (UJ)
Janet Liebenberg (NWU)
Philip Machanick (RU)

Phatludi Modiba (UP)
Vreda Pieterse (UP)
Victoria Rautenbach (UP)
Lisa Seymour (UCT)
Dirk Snyman (NWU)
Hussein Suleman (UCT)
Estelle Taylor (NWU)
Bob Travica (Canada)
Dustin van der Haar (UJ)
Marco van Eekelen (Nederland)
Henri van Rensburg (NWU)
Neels van Rooyen (UP)
George Wells (RU)
Stefan Gruner (UP)

1. Welcome

The chair, Linda Marshall, welcomed everyone and thanked all for attending.

2. Approval of the 2015 AGM minutes held on 3 July 2015

Andre Calitz asked for the following to be corrected:

The R70 000 reserve fund includes the R30 000 seed money, this is not two separate funds.

The minutes of SACLA 2015 AGM were confirmed. Andre Calitz approved the minutes and this was seconded by Lisa Seymour.

3. Approval of Constitution

The constitution was changed at the previous AGM as stated in the minutes of SACLA AGM 2015. Vreda Pieterse approved these and this was seconded by Andre Calitz.

4. Chair's report

Linda Marshall presented the SACLA 2016 Chair's Report.

Linda also thanked Neels (technical support), Stefan (proceedings) and Vreda (support with organization of conference) for their help.

5. Proceedings 2016 in Springer

Stefan Gruner reported on the proceedings for SACLA 2016. The SACLA 2016 accepted papers will be published in Springer (Communications in Computer

and Information Science). This should improve the quality of publication and may attract international writers.

Authors of accepted papers will receive a free digital copy.

Stefan must receive the revised papers by the end of July.

Stefan will assist Janet Liebenberg and the other staff members of NWU with this in 2017.

A question was asked about the fact that proceedings were not available for all attendees. A link to the accepted papers will be put on the SACLA web site.

A question was raised about not having attendees contact details. Linda agreed to add e-mails to the Abstract booklet and place that on the SACLA web site.

6. Executive meeting report

a. Future SACLA conferences

- i. 2017 (NWU), Chair Estelle Taylor**
- ii. 2018 (UCT)**
- iii. 2019 (UNISA)**
- iv. 2020 (RHODES)**
- v. 2021 (UJ)**

b. SACLA account and reserve fund

Andre is working on opening a SACLA bank account. The constitution does make provision for this.

7. Financial report

Linda presented the financial report for SACLA 2016. IITPSA was a sponsor and the suggestion is made that the organizers for SACLA 2017 should also contact them for further sponsorship.

8. SACAB

Andre will provide a summary to be attached. Development of documentation is in progress.

9. General

Delia Kench raises two issues.

Issue 1: There seems to be a difference between what is being done at school level and the lecturers' perception thereof. It is proposed that Andre and Delia consider a combined workshop for SACLA 2016 on this and the SACAB.

Issue 2: Lecturers on the SACLA group can be invited to a session where top secondary school students present their projects.

Estelle encouraged attendees to motivate others at their institution to attend SACLA in 2017. Heads of departments should be encouraged to budget for staff members to attend SACLA. Jan Kroeze suggested that funds could also come from training budgets. A request was made to motivate all colleagues to join the SACLA gmail list. George Wells offered to create a link to this mail list from the SACLA web page.

10. Closure

Lisa thanked Linda and the organizing committee.