



SOUTH AFRICAN RADIO LEAGUE

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Minutes of the South African Radio League Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 6 May 2017 from 09:00 CAT at the Bergvallei Estate in Krugersdorp

Item	Discussion
	WELCOME
1.1	President of SARL Nico ZS6QL opens the AGM and welcomes all present with a special welcome to all the young SARL members present.
1.2	The President also wishes Kelly a happy birthday as well as Martin, ZS6ZY with his 90 th birthday.
2.	RULES OF DEBATE
2.1	Rassie, ZS1YT, presents and explains the rules of debate that will be used during the AGM
3.	Apologies
3.1	Apologies were received from Dennis Green, ZS4BS; Louw Erasmus, ZS6LME; Andries Visagie, ZS6VL; Terence van der Linde, ZS4VDL; Pieter Gaybba, ZS3PG; PA Els, ZR3PA; Johan de Beer, ZS3JDB; Roger Conroy, ZR3RC; Frans Durand, ZS4FD; Johan Moolman, ZS6AWL, and Koos Fick, ZR6KF
4.	DECLARATION OF QUORUM
4.1	Colin ZS6COL announced that a quorum is present at the AGM. The constitution stipulates that a 15% attendance including proxies is required to form a quorum. The SARL have 1 614 paid members with 8 Silent keys for the year. There were 290 registered members at the AGM with 64 members present and 226 proxies.
4.	REMEMBRANCE
4.1	Nico, ZS6QL, read the silent key remembrance and a moment of silence were called.
5.	APPROVAL OF LAST YEARS AGM MINUTES
5.1	The minutes of the 2016 AGM and the 2016 SGM were tabled for approval. Both sets of minutes were accepted, which was proposed by Gary, ZS6YI and seconded by Hans, ZS6AKV
6.	PRESIDENTS REPORT
6.1	Nico, ZSQL, read the SARL Presidents' report.
6.2	Hans, ZS6AKV, briefly discussed the type approval as it currently stands. The situation of cancelled amateur licenses was also briefly discussed.
7.	FINANCES
7.1	Shane, ZS6W, presented the Treasurer's report, including the auditor's report for the financial year ending 30 June 2016. Shane also thanked relevant people who assisted him in finalising all relevant SARS compliance issues.
7.2	Hans, ZS6AKV, proposed to accept the financial statements for the financial year ending June 2016. Gary, ZS6YI, seconded.
7.3	It was also proposed to change the auditors; all present was in favour of the change. Gary, ZS6YI, proposed and Gideon, ZS4GJA seconded the proposal.

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7.4	Gary, ZA6YI, requested more information related to the Gary Immelmann Trust Fund, with specific reference to money spend from the Trust Fund and interest accrued. Shane, ZS6W suggested to discuss this with Gary off-line.
7.5	SARL membership fees remain unchanged with no increases for the financial year 2017/2018. This was proposed by Graham ZS6GL and seconded by Noel, ZR6DX.
8.	2017/2018 BUDGET
8.1	Shane, ZS6W tabled the budget for financial year 2017/2018.
8.2	Gary, ZS6YI questioned the need for flights to visit clubs in other divisions. Chris, ZS6GM, motivated the reasons for the flights as a requirement to involve clubs more to be part of the strategic plan of council.
8.3	Chris, ZS6GM, requested that an additional R50 000 be allocated for SARL marketing. Shane suggested that the additional R50 000 can be allocated from the surplus from 2016/2017. Clive, ZS6BOX, proposed and Nic, ZR6AEZ seconded the decision.
8.3	Budget Summary for financial year 2017/2018 - Budgeted Income: R600 504.00
8.4	Gary, ZS6YI, thanked Shane for his work done and the effort he put in to rectify the financial state of the League.
9.	SARL STRATEGY
9.1	Chris, ZS6GM, presented the SARL strategy. The League is challenged to be relevant and to allow the development of the youth to grow the hobby and interest in the science and engineering studies.
9.2	Leon, ZS6LMG, proposed SARL engagement with the Dept of Education to introduce Amateur Radio qualification
9.3	Noel, ZS6DX, provides a quick overview of the youth development and the way forward and what the Hammies is doing to promote youth development on club level.
9.4	Leon Uys, ZR6LU, presented the IT strategy and the way the League needs to embrace different channels to further the brand and touchpoints with the League and its members.
9.5	Barry, ZS2NF, gave a testimony of how Amateur Radio changed his own outlook on life as an example of what it could mean for other people, hence the reason why Amateur Radio should be marketed on a broad base level.
9.6	Hans, ZS6AKV, explains the challenges ahead, but also briefly suggest ways to overcome the challenge. He was in full support of the proposed strategy.
9.7	Garry, ZS6YI, suggest the formation of a strategy workgroup, responsible to formulate a plan of action, with clearly defined goals and objectives, outcomes and KPIs. Nico mentioned that Etienne, ZS6EFN, will fulfil that role as new councillor.
10.	MOTIONS
10.1	Only one motion was tabled, that of electronic voting. The motion was presented by Chris, ZS6GM. The motion was accepted by all present. Votes against: 0. Abstained votes: 0. Votes for: All present
11.	ELECTION OF COUNCIL
11.1	Nico, ZS6QL, tabled the council nominations. The following members were nominated and accepted - Etienne Naude, ZS6EFN; Leon Uys, ZR6LU, and Clive Smyth ZS6BOX

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12.1	The Cape Town Amateur Radio Centre proposal of changing the maximum service period of councillors was tabled and discussed.
12.2	Hans, ZS6AKV, supported the suggestion of the Cape Town Amateur Radio Centre, but added that the term should be changed to either 3 or 4 years.
12.3	Dick, ZS6BUN also suggested to change the Councillor title to something else like the SARL Executive Council or some similar to be more in lie with the business-like approach that the SARL is taking going forward.
13.	OTHER
13.1	Nico, ZS6QL, suggested that the SARL should appoint a junior/youth council to address the youth on their own level looking after their own interest.
13.2	Chris, ZS6GM, thanks Nico, the SARL President and his team of Councillors for their hard work and support and call on all members to promote the SARL.
13.3	Nico, ZS6QL, also thanked Shane for his contribution and effort as Treasurer.
13.4	Steven ZS6SKY, commented that the SA-QSL services should start thinking of changing the SQL card system to an electronic platform.
13.5	Noel, ZS6DX, thanked Council on a job well done.
14.	NEXT AGM
14.1	The Pretoria Amateur Radio Club volunteered to host the SARL AGM in 2018.

Approval of the Minutes:

Proposed: ZS6YI

Seconded: ZS3PG

14 April 2018

Etienne Naude, ZS6EFN
SARL Secretary

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SARL President