



The South African Institute of Marine Engineers & Naval Architects

GENERAL TECHNICAL MEETING #310 (HELD AT SAIMENA HOUSE 07/09/2011)

MINUTES

1. **WELCOME**

The acting chairman Mr Hitchings opened the meeting at 18h15 and welcomed all members and guests.

2. **ATTENDANCE**

The general meeting was attended by 20 members and guests.

3. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Messrs Hyland, Hugo, Parsons Hamer, Carter, Wood, Rabie [J].

4. **MINUTES**

The minutes had been sent to all members on email prior to the general meeting. The minutes were proposed by MR Volschenck and seconded by Mr Geisler.

5. **MATTERS ARISING**

Mr Deyzel explained the reason for continued membership and status that SAIMENA holds being part of ECSA.

The data base of the registered engineers is ongoing and now almost completed.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence received.

7. FINANCIAL

Mr Parsons stated that there are still outstanding accounts, members are slow in settling payments for luncheons and functions which causes problems with the accounting systems. Members are also placing funds in the incorrect accounts.

The meetings with Rovers is still ongoing and funds are slowly being submitted but there are a number of outstanding accounts and a proper register seems to be out of touch with the bookings.

The current status of the Durban branch is:

Current account	: R 8589.31
32 call	: R 15212.84
SAIMENA House	: R 19364.77
32 call	: R 59847.00

Mr Parsons asked that members paying annual fees should always give their reference [member number] when making payment as there are a large number of entries/payments that have no ID.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

9. PROGRAM

a) TECHNICAL

There was no paper in September.

Preliminary bookings for 2012 are:

Victaulic and Caterpillar. We are fortunate that firms are eager to present technical papers to the Institute and members are encouraged to support the institute.

October : DNV

The October paper will be the last technical paper for 2011.

b) SOCIAL

The Luncheon at O & O received mixed reviews and it seems that that the manager did not attend to the requests demanded by the organizing committee. The Christmas lunch is set for 07/12/2011, venue to be advised.

All Dinner dance arrangements are in hand. The speaker is Captain Roy Martin

The SAIMENA golf day was a success.

10. GENERAL

Messrs Genevieve and Chowdrey presented a paper on a Phoenix 1A Hybrid Sounding Rocket describing a system of design and testing.

The snacks were sponsored by M&H.

Mr Volschenck presented the vote of thanks.

The meeting closed at 20h15