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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE DUNEDEN HOTEL, VAN RIEBEECK AVENUE, EDENVALE ON 14 MAY 2009 AT 18:00 FOR 18:30

1. **Welcome:** SAIDI Chairperson for Gauteng, Pat Allen welcomed everyone to this lovely occasion.
2. **History:**
1977 to 2009 – brief overview
3. **What we are now doing:**
Developing SAIDI –
 - Meeting at Provincial and National level.
 - Establishing trust with authorities and students / families / examiners.
 - Fighting for better working conditions, e.g. call centre matters, better insurance, pension, medical aid, assistance during crises, such as fire in the vehicle or hijacking attempts etc.
 - Shortage of examiners, testing centres. This is the big question!
 - Correct application of K53 standard.
 - Getting rid of fly-by-night “instructors” by training or exposing corruption.
 - Developing training programmes.
4. **Introductions:**
 - Gauteng:
 - Pat Allen – Chairperson.
 - Brian Coutts – East Rand / Ekurhuleni Chairperson.
 - Tony Marsay – Johannesburg Chairperson, with Andries van Zyl
 - Len Lennox – Pretoria / Tshwane Chairperson
 - Kwa Zulu Natal
 - – Vee Sibanda – a dedicated member who has flown from KZN to meetings 3 times already. – She was later voted in as the Chairperson for KZN.
 - Mpumalanga
 - Basie Ferreira – ex-SAIDI. He was later voted in as the Chairperson for Mpumalanga.
 - Western Cape:
 - Peter Mazonkai – Western Cape Chairperson (apology). Victor Downing – Western Cape Vice Chairperson (apology).
5. **Apologies:**

Apologies were received from Kathy Matthews, Ron Senyard and Peter Mazonkai, Western Cape.

6. **Dinner was served:**

7. **GUEST SPEAKERS:**

- Stanley Anderson - Marketing and After Sales Director, Hyundai. 082 560 0072 and Vashin Lutchmiah - Corporate Sales & Marketing, Hyundai 082 464 2706. They spoke of the variety of Hyundai vehicles which are suitable for driving instruction (with an approved dual control kit), as well as their "Pimp your licence" competition which will give two newly licenced drivers a brand new Hyundai vehicle insured by Livingstone Brokers free of charge for a whole year! The instructor who trained the student will receive R20 000.00 and reduced insurance for a year.
- Jim Morrison devised a **traffic quiz** for us. (Clearly some brushing up is needed!) The two people who won were:
 - Stephen Epstein - A year's free membership of CrisisOnCall.
 - Tony Marsay - a new set of dual controls for his vehicle fitted by Hyundai.
- Pieter Calitz – **Edenvale Fire Department** 082 770 8745. He indicated that he is very keen to work with SAIDI. We can learn so much from him! A skid pan is also available at the Fire Department.
- Derek Livingstone - **Livingstone Insurance Brokers**- Authorized Financial Services Provider (FSP6021). Tel: 011 453 8099 or 082 772 8069. One of the few insurance brokers who is able to cater to our needs. He attempts to cater for all the needs of driving instructors at competitive prices.
- Marius Vermaak - Marketing Director – **CrisisOnCall** - www.crisisoncall.co.za 086 157 4747. He discussed the advantages of all South Africans belonging to CrisisOnCall, which enables easy reliable identification of accident victims, (who might have been robbed of all valuables), trip monitoring and all sorts of additional benefits at an incredibly reasonable monthly premium.
- **Vote:**

The need to vote for a National Committee is long overdue. Our present National President, Eno Mhlongo was present and stepped down from his position. According to our existing Constitution, Section 13.3.1 to 13.3.5 a new National President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Pro were elected by vote.

- 13.3.1 A President – Pat Allen
- 13.3.2 A Vice-President – Andries van Zyl
- 13.3.3 A Secretary – Jenny Cloete
- 13.3.4 A Treasurer – Len Lennox
- 13.3.5 A PRO – Brian Coutts

In addition to the required number of National Committee members, four extra members were elected, namely:

- Lucky Semanya
- Vee Sibanda
- Basie Ferreira
- Tony Marsay

It was our earnest desire to draw members from each Province into the National Committee but our invitation to Western Cape to attend the AGM was cancelled on the day of the AGM "due to technical difficulties". We hope to work with them in the future so that we can together oppose the carnage on South African roads while meeting the needs of instructors country-wide to the best of our ability. We hope a representative from each Province will become involved on the National Committee very soon. It was decided by those present at the meeting to charge members a monthly R25.00 fee payable by debit order to SAIDI's savings account at the Standard Bank in Brooklyn, account number 017548993 branch code 011245

7. **Constitution:**

We had a new Constitution drawn up by UNISA five years ago and sent it to Western Cape for their input. Since we have not yet heard from them we have decided to make it available to all members here and give them until the 1st July to decide on the terms of the Constitution. Failing their input, it will be adopted as soon as it is finalized.

8. Our website:

saidi.co.za. Our webmaster, Magnus Arendt presented the website at the meeting, describing various aspects of it. It was accepted that each member could be listed free of charge in the normal way, however, if they would like to have their own “body text” the cost will be R25.00 per month.

The meeting ended at 23:00