SANCOLD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MINUTES MEETING 8

Tuesday 30 August 2016

VENUE: Offices of AECOM, Centurion, Pretoria

1. WELCOME
The Chairperson welcomed the attendees to the meeting.

2. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES
2.1 Attendance
Danie Badenhorst Chairperson (DB)
David Cameron-Ellis Treasurer (DCE)
Louis Hattingh (LH)
Henry-John Wright (H-JW)
Paul Roberts Secretary (Sec)

2.2 Apologies
Wally Ramokopa (WR)
Quentin Shaw (QS)

3. ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA
The agenda was amended by adding in “SAICE 2017 report card”.

4. ICOLD 2016: Financial Outcome
The current financial analysis indicated that ICOLD 2016 might have a surplus of R2.6 million which would be devoted to the furtherance of dam engineering. A reserve fund was needed and a programme of sponsorships and bursaries. The NFSP was discussed (see paragraph 8). The intention was to finalise the ICOLD 2016 books and audit by the end of 2016. DWS and others still had outstanding registration fees and LHDA still owed R300 000 on the sponsorship; these items were being followed up.

5. SANCOLD AGM 2016
The AGM would be held in November 2016 and possibly combined with a technical lecture which could earn CPD points. The lecture topic could be on HEC-RAS 2D free surface flow software. Mr Marco van Dijk of UP would be approached by the Secretary.

6. SANCOLD Conference 2017 (Conference Theme, Study Tour)
Three venues were considered together with potential site visits, namely:
- Durban, Hazelmere Dam raising
- George, Stompdrift Dam
- Tzaneen, Tzaneen Dam raising
It was agreed that the Durban venue would be selected in view of ease of access. The conference would be held in early November 2017. The Secretary would take the matter further and would request a proposal from the PCO.

7. SANCOLD Secretary
It was agreed that the current Secretary continue in 2017, but with a phased hand-over to Mrs Isa Thompson. A 2017 proposal was to be submitted. The Chairperson would make contact with Mrs Thompson.

DB
8. National Flood Study Programme (NFSP)
DCE reported on the progress. DWS was now motivating for budget to fund the programme. SANRAL and SANCOLD would make financial contributions. DCE would compile a financial proposal for the AGM.

9. SAICE 2017 Report Card
Prof Kevin Wall had a target date of November 2016 for the project. Previously it was agreed that WR and QS would prepare the report and DB and the Secretary would review it. It was agreed that the draft should be prepared by the end of September 2016.

10. SANCOLD Guidelines
It was agreed that we needed to set deliverables and target dates at the next SANCOLD MC early next year.

11. Mentoring of APP’s
The ECSA Committee on Dam Safety expressed concern about the lack of representivity amongst APP’s. It was agreed by Exco that DB and QS would draft a letter to the Minister of Water and Sanitation regarding the issue and provide positive suggestions as to where SANCOLD could assist.

12. Meeting with the Minister
The Minister after the opening of the Symposium of ICOLD 2016, indicated that she would like to meet with SANCOLD. It was agreed the DB would draft a letter to the Minister. The SANCOLD delegation must include the official DWS representatives on SANCOLD.

13. BRICS Water Forum
The Secretary reported that the relevant information had been passed on to the DDG:IWR of DWS.

14. Nominations for ECSA Dam Committee
ECSA would soon approach the various organisations to form a new committee. The positions require experienced representatives. It was agreed that SANCOLD would respond once the letter had been received. The following persons were identified as suitable candidates:

- Reinforced concrete reservoirs: Erhard Kruger
- Tailings dams: Duncan Grant Smith
- Hydro mechanical: Wally Kohlmeyer
- O & M: Bob Pullen, Alan Chemaly, Peter Pyke, David Cameron Ellis
- Concrete Dams: Quentin Shaw
- Embankment Dams: Danie Badenhorst
- Dam Safety: Louis Hattingh

15. NEXT MEETING
No specific meeting dates were set.

The meeting closed at 14:20.