



SANCOLD
MINUTES of the

123rd SANCOLD MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
At 15:00 on Tuesday 14 November 2017 at the
Royal Elephant Conference Centre, Centurion

1. OPENING and WELCOME

The Chairperson, Dr Quentin Shaw, opened the meeting and welcomed particularly Mr Thabo Hloele who was attending for the first time. The Committee was requested to stand for a moment of silence in respect of SANCOLD Colleague Dr Chris Oosthuizen who had passed away on 11 November. An appropriate tribute would be made by the Chairperson during the Opening Session of the Conference.

2. ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES and QUORUM

2.1 Attendance

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| Mr Danie Badenhorst | (DB) | |
| Prof Gerrit Basson | (GB) | |
| Ms Michelle Blaeser | (MB) | |
| Mr David Cameron-Ellis | (DCE) | |
| Mr Duncan Grant-Stuart | (DGS) | |
| Mr Louis Hattingh | (LH) | |
| Mr Thabo Hloele | (TH) | |
| Ms Jaretha Lombaard | (JL) | |
| Mr Peter Pyke | (PP) | |
| Dr Paul Roberts | (Sec) | |
| Dr Quentin Shaw | (QS) | Chairperson |
| Mr Deon van der Merwe | (DvdM) | |
| Mr Henry-John Wright | (HJW) | |

2.2 Apologies

Formal apologies were received from Mr Gerald de Jager, Dr Beason Mwaka, Mr Xolani Mdletshe, Ms Mari Trümpelmann, Prof S van Vuuren, Mr Motebeli Moshodi and Mr Marco van Dijk.

2.3 Quorum

The meeting was attended by a quorum of greater than 40% and was duly constituted.

3. AGENDA

No amendments were made to the draft Agenda which was then **adopted**.

4. MINUTES OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 122

4.1 Amendments

The spelling of "Lombard" to be corrected to "Lombaard" in three places.

4.2 Approval

The Minutes were **approved** with these amendments.

4.3 Matters arising from Previous Minutes

The schedule on matters arising from the 122nd meeting was perused. Most activities had been done and the following outstanding matters were discussed on the basis of the schedule of matters arising:

4.3.1 Item 6: Committee W: Selection of Dam Type: Replace A Chemaly with B Havenga. DB reported that Beyers Havenga was too busy. It was **agreed** that the status of the Committee would be examined to ascertain whether it was not too late to provide a replacement. **(Sec)**

4.3.2 Item 7: ICOLD Technical Committees
The Secretary had informed the ICOLD Central Office of the changes of representation.

4.3.3 Item 8: Feedback on DWS Budget for NFSP
David Cameron-Ellis reported that the NFSP was not in this year's DWS budget. Prof Jeff Smithers had secured some funding from the UK. SANRAL would also be funding some specific studies related to their activities. Jeff Smithers was organising a Workshop in January 2018. It was **agreed** that the Chairperson would discuss the budget issue with DWS: DDG Trevor Balzer the next day. **(QS)**

4.3.4 Item 9: Ascertain CSIR's interest in the NFSP
The Secretary reported that he had been in contact with Ms Hettie Botha of the CSIR who was interested, but was trying to obtain CSIR Management buy-in. This also related to the Corporate Membership of CSIR which had lapsed. **(Sec)**

4.3.5 Item 10: Your Tailings Dam
Duncan Grant-Stuart reported that Mr Danie Brink had not started with the preparation of the document. Duncan Grant-Stuart undertook to prepare the document, which a layman could understand, within the next few months. **(DGS)**

4.3.6 Item 14: Training and Mentorship
It appeared that some members of DWS considered the SANCOLD proposals to be of a commercial nature. SANCOLD therefore needs to interact with the Departmental members regarding the matter. This might take place during the proposed legislative changes. **(QS/DB/DvdM)**

4.3.7 Letter of Appreciation to DWS for the ICOLD 2016 Grant
This matter had not been done yet as the final accounts had not been completed because of outstanding fees. The current surplus is about R2, 923 million which will be used for the benefit of dam engineering. **(Sec)**

Messrs Louis Hattingh and Peter Pyke arrived at this point (15:20)

The outstanding fees amount to about R261 000 of which R130 000 is by DWS attendees. The Secretary will take the matter further with the PCO. **(Sec)**

The outstanding sponsorship from LHDA for ICOLD 2016 is R300 000 and will be followed up **(Sec)**

The current 20% fee that ICOLD levies on Annual Meetings was considered to be excessive and not sustainable. Consideration should be given to taking the matter up with ICOLD. **(QS/Sec)**

5. EXCO MEETING 10

It was **agreed** that a 50% discount for membership fees and conferences would be provided for retired persons over the age of 65 years.

6. PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

The proposed amendments to the Constitution were discussed and the following further amendment was made:

Clause 10.3.1 Add “.....required and at least one meeting per year”.

The Management Committee **approved** the Constitutional amendments. The revised Constitution would be placed on the SANCOLD website and would be sent to SARS. **(Sec/HJW/DCE)**

7. ADDITIONAL MEMBERSHIP CLASSES AND FEES

The Management Committee considered and **approved** the following additional classes of individual membership:

- Retired members over the age of 65 years. The membership fee for 2018-19 would be R150-00.
- Life Members over the age of 80 years where no membership fees would be levied.

The Treasurer mentioned the problem of non-payment of membership fees and subsequent follow-up.

8. SANCOLD SECRETARY FROM 2018

The procedure for an open advertisement to procure a new Secretary was finalised subsequent to the meeting by consultation with the Management Committee members. Henry-John Wright indicated that the SANCOLD Secretarial Archives would be placed in a Cloud for future use. **(HJW)**
Appreciation was expressed to Dr Paul Roberts for the past secretarial services.

9. SANCOLD MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: ELECTION 2017

The Secretary reported on the proposed process to elect three persons in the vacant positions. It was **agreed** that nominations should be received by 30 November and voting undertaken by 8 December. **(Sec)**

Henry-John Wright and Michelle Blaeser would assist the Secretary to audit the vote count.

(Sec/HJW/MB)

10. PROPOSED PORTFOLIOS FOR SANCOLD MANAGEMENT

The listing established by Exco was considered, refined and expanded by the addition of a column indicating support people as shown below. The list of portfolios will be circulated to all MC members for further input and allocation of tasks, to ensure that all MC members contribute in order to distribute the load.

| | Portfolio | Responsible Person | Support Persons |
|----|---------------------|--|------------------------|
| 1 | Membership | Secretary | Treasurer |
| 2 | Finance/Treasurer | David Cameron-Ellis | |
| 3 | Institutional | Secretary | |
| 4 | ICOLD | Secretary | |
| 5 | Website | Henry-John Wright | |
| 6 | Young Persons | YPF Chairperson | Sub-committee |
| 7 | Training / Lectures | Sub-committee | YPF Sub-Committee |
| 8 | Annual conference | Louis Hattingh | Secretary |
| 9 | Marketing | Quentin Shaw | |
| 10 | Associated Studies | See listing on Guidelines & Publications | |
| 11 | Working groups | Secretary | |
| 12 | Publications | Treasurer | Secretary |

Despite lack of time, Quentin Shaw undertook responsibility for the Marketing Portfolio. He would produce a strategy and would then ascertain what resources were needed. (QS)

The South African Working Groups (could also be denoted as Interest Groups) required restructuring. The representation on the various ICOLD Committees should also be reviewed in 2018. (Sec)

The dissemination of information to the membership after an ICOLD Meeting was considered to be an important activity considering the high cost of financial support. Some other ICOLD Countries have dedicated programmes in this respect. A proposal was made that effective use could be made of Webinars. (Sec)

11. SANCOLD 2017

The Secretary reported on the Programme and other arrangements. The APP Workshop structure was discussed and finalised. It was also emphasised that it was the author's responsibility to obtain the approval from owners/clients to publish a paper.

12. ICOLD 2018 PAPERS

12.1 Papers from South Africa

The Secretary reported on the five papers from South Africa which had been submitted to the ICOLD Central Office for the 2018 Congress.

12.2 Financial Support for ICOLD2018

The Committee considered the matter and **approved** the financial support given below:

| Name | Reason | Amount Approved (R) |
|---------------------|---|---------------------|
| Quentin Shaw | AGM/ Concrete Dams | 20 000 |
| Louis Hattingh | Dam Safety/Surveillance (Chair) | 20 000 |
| Danie Badenhorst | V/chair Embankment Committee | 20 000 |
| Duncan Grant-Smith | Tailings Committee | 20 000 |
| David Cameron-Ellis | Soil-cement dams | 20 000 |
| Gerrit Basson | Sedimentation Committee | 20 000 |
| Henry-John Wright | Hydraulics | 20 000 |
| Bertrand Collet | Dams Register | 20 000 |
| Ivor Segers | Dam Safety | 20 000 |
| Peter Pyke | Operations | 20 000 |
| Gerald de Jager | Climate change | 20 000 |
| Henriette Anderson | New challenges for dams | 20 000 |
| Jaretha Lombaard | Young Engineers (Registration Lower cost) | 17 500 |
| Total | | 257 500 |

The Secretary would inform the persons of the financial support once the representation on ICOLD Committees (paragraph 10) had been reviewed. (Sec)

13. GENERAL

No discussion

14. DATE AND VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next SANCOLD Management Committee meeting would be held on **Monday 19 February 2018** at 15:00 at ARQ. If necessary, video conferencing would be used for out-of-town members to reduce travel cost.

15. CLOSURE

The meeting ended at 17:30.