



ARAB HORSE SOCIETY OF SA ARABIERPERDGENOOTSKAP VAN SA

**NOTULE VAN 'N SPESIALE ALGEMENE VERGADERING GEHOU OM 08H00 OP
01 MAART 2014, IN DIE BLESBOK & LAPA SAAL,
BAINS LODGE, BLOEMFONTEIN.**

**MINUTES FOR A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT 08H00
ON 01 MARCH 2014, IN THE BLESBOK & LAPA BOARDROOM,
BAINS LODGE, BLOEMFONTEIN.**

PRESENT/ TEENWOORDIG		APOLOGIES RECEIVED	
Mr Wesley Hayes	Oxford Arabian Stud	Dr W.J. van der Westhuizen	Debbie van Lingen
Mr Jack Maritz	Sidi Stud	Mr Francois Brown	Wendy Raffinetti
Mev Lizelle Honiball	Jabali Stud	Mr Willie Brown	Brenda Louw
Mr James Coulter	Cameo Stud	Mev Janita Doyer	Karien Martinson
Mr Jaco le Roux	Jay Wit Stud	Ms Isabella Stepski	Leonard Buys
<i>Mnr Chris Els</i>	<i>No vote</i>	Ms Amy Taylor	
<i>Mej Charmaine Haarhoff</i>	<i>No vote</i>	Bro. Douglas Robertson	
<i>Mej Marike Simkin</i>	<i>No vote</i>	Mr CHD Sparks	
Mnr Fanie Maritz	Shaheer Stud	Maasdorp Maree	
Mev Gillian Oosthuizen	Arabesca Stud	Mr Scott Moffatt	
Mnr & Mev Johan Neuhoff	Rolyna Farm Stud	Retief Louw	
Bin Yussuf Arabians	Zandri Reynolds	Adv Jean Marais	
Zandri Reynolds	Ordinary Member	Nourma Stud	
Hanlie Scott		Paul van Dam	
Leon Botha	Victrio Training	Mr Fanie Buys	
Tehama Stud	Mr Jack Maritz	Krige Family	
Sahibi Stud	Mr Jack Maritz	PSV Arabians – L. Seegers	
Susan Rothman		Leanne Wells	
Wesley Hayes	Dartford Arabian Stud	Ruth Leisegang	
Adri van Rooyen	No Vote		
Willemien van Niekerk	No Vote		

1. OPENING EN VERWELKOMING / **OPENING AND WELCOME**

Mr Jack Maritz opened the meeting with prayer where after the Chairman, Mr Hayes welcomed all those present. A special thank you was extended to everyone for making the effort to attend the meeting. There were a number of people who replied that they would attend the meeting, who did not arrive.

Mr Hayes made a special welcome to Mr Jaco Le Roux, who was voted in as the new Representative for the Western Cape. Unfortunately, Mr Willie Brown resigned as the representative due to personal reasons.

2. **KENNISGEWING, BYWONINGSREGISTER EN VERSKONINGS VIR AFWESIGHEID / NOTICE OF MEETING, ATTENDANCE REGISTER AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

The Secretary Charmaine Haarhoff sends an attendance register around to be signed by all present.

Mr Hayes pointed out those fifteen (15) votes from the members of the Society present at the meeting was needed to form a Quorum, to be able to vote on decisions.

This included people who had two votes like Mr Hayes himself for example. He had two (2) Studs being Olford and Dartford Studs. Mrs Zandri Reynolds had two (2) votes: One for the Bin Yssuf Stud and one for being an Ordinary Member.

No by proxy votes was allowed.

Mr Chris Els requested all present to raise their hands to count the votes to be checked against the attendance register as signed. Fifteen (15) votes were counted when another two (2) members arrived at the meeting, which made the total of seventeen (17) votes.

3. **ADAPTION OF NEW CONSTITUTION – See attached.**

Mr Hayes mentioned that the important part of the meeting was probably the changes to the Constitution that needed to be amended. Mr Hayes mentioned that there was no changes made to the Constitution for a very long time and gave a brief background on why certain changes had to be made.

Mr Hayes referred to some of the recent Court cases the Society had to deal with and advice that was given to the Society Council, where certain people could be disciplined as according to disciplinary proceedings in our Constitution. One of those disciplines was that the Society could similarly dismiss a member of the Society.

Mr Hayes said that it was his feeling at the time that some of the provisions in the Constitution were un-constitutional in terms of the provisions of the Constitution of the Country and that the Society should not follow those provisions. As the Constitution for the Society laid out a pattern and method of how certain hearings could and should take place, the Council followed the advice of legal council in that respect.

Afterwards Council requested Mr Hayes to go through the Constitution as a whole and see if there was things that could be changed and be made better throughout the Constitution.

On suggestion of some Members and Council, a few things were changed. Mr Hayes said that the members must be aware of the fact that the Constitution is a document which is forever changing. It is not a document that has to stay the same for as long as the Society was going. As times and thinking changes, members should go to Council and make suggestions to Council of possible changes in order to make it better. Mr Hayes mentioned that he had a strong belief that the Constitution, at all times, had to have the members' interest at heart. It must not serve the purpose of restraining or preventing members of the Society to go forward.

Mr Hayes enquired from members present if they had time to go through all the changes or whether they wanted to go through the changes at the meeting, section for section and look exactly what the changes entailed. If anyone present had queries or problems with the changes, they should raise it.

Once those present had gone through the whole document, they could decide whether to adopt the changes or not.

Mr Chris Els suggested that those present paid specific attention to any changes regarding membership and shows.

All the suggestions made by Mr Hayes were hi-lited in red. The pieces hi-lited in yellow was suggested to be removed from the Constitution.

See DEFINITIONS – Page 3

The old Constitution stopped where the black is written as below. We decided to add in the "Associated Member" as written in red.

3. **"Association"** shall mean the South African Stud Book and Animal Improvement Association;

"Associated Member" shall mean any person registered with the society in order to participate at any show or event affiliated with the society. Any associated member cannot attend any AGM, or Special AGM, cannot put forward any motion to be dealt with at an AGM or Special AGM, and has no voting right and cannot be elected on council as a regional representative.

An Associated member would be someone who possibly bought a horse from the Society, but were not Breeding Horses and has got or owned one horse, but wanted to participate at our shows.

Before, we had a type of Showing Membership which allowed a person to come to the shows and Show their horses. The "Associated" Membership would now allow a person to become an associated member of the Society and be put on our mailing list and received the information our members would normally receive.

However, this does not allow them a vote on our Society or be on the Council. The rationale behind that is that the Arab Horse Society is a "Breed Society" and if we allowed the "Associate Members" to participate in Annual General Meetings, we may find ourselves in a predicament where we are "overrun" by members who actually do not breed with horses. Telling us, the breeders, on how to run our Society.

After going through the above section, Mr Hayes requested if anyone had any questions.

There was no comment and or questions regarding the above change.

See DEFINITIONS – Page 3

Mr Hayes pointed out that the following wording in red was added into the Constitution.

See below. By adding the wording, it would just explain the word Breeder better.

All members present were happy with the change as presented.

4. **"breeder"** (of a horse) shall mean the registered owner of its dam at the date of the horse's birth, **and/ or is a person with a registered or recorded Arab mare of 2 years and older that has foaled down with a registered or recorded foal in the name of the stud registered by the same.**

See DEFINITIONS – Page 3 & 4

The following words were added to Constitution as shown in red:

14. **"owner"** shall mean the person –

- 14.2 who has submitted proof to the satisfaction of the Council that the horse is eligible to be so inscribed in his/her name; or
- 14.3 who, in the case of an imported horse, has submitted proof to the satisfaction of Council that he/she is entitled in accordance with the regulations of the Stud or Herd Book Society of the country of origin of the horse, to be so regarded;
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See OBJECTIVES – Page 5

Mr Hayes pointed out that the following words were added to Constitution as shown in red just to make it more coherent.

C O N S T I T U T I O N O F T H E A R A B H O R S E S O C I E T Y O F S O U T H A F R I C A

2. OBJECTIVES

- 2.6 To promote sales of registered or recorded **horses and or** eligible for registration or recording.
- 2.7 To **provide for** the formation of classes for horses at shows, to nominate judges who are considered qualified and competent to judge these breeds; and to impress upon Agricultural Societies and others, the advisability and necessity of appointing only judges recommended by the Society.
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Mr Hayes pointed out that the following decision was taken and accepted at the last Annual General Meeting in March 201, but not updated. See Objectives, Clause 2.11

- 2.11 To provide members of the Society who are also members of the Endurance Riding Association of South Africa with an amount of money equal to that which is spent by the Society on the National Show, which money will be allocated to such members as decided on by Council from time to time.

*Mr Hayes explained that the same amount of money that was spent on the National Championships, an equal amount would go to ERASA. This did not mean ERASA itself, but the Endurance Riding people. **The money would only go to horses registered with the Society and members taking part in Endurance Rides who was registered with the Society.***

For example, an ordinary member from ERASA, riding and Appaloosa, would NOT qualify for money from the Society. This decision was very clear when decided on.

Mr Fanie Maritz wanted to know that when money was given to ERASA people (Endurance), whether this was only for the National Ride or any other rides as well? Mr Hayes responded that this was for any other Endurance Rides.

Mr Hayes used an example of a recent big 80km ride that took place at Hogsback with over 100 riders. The Society donated R5 000-00 towards the ride. The first registered/ recorded Part-bred Anglo horse that crossed the line won the R5 000-00. There was another prize sponsored to the amount of R30 000-00. Including the money from the Society, the total amount came to R35 000-00. This ride was therefore not a 100miler or National event.

Mr Fanie Maritz queried the fact that the Society did not give money to any Regional

Shows, why did the Endurance people received money for Regional shows?

Mr Hayes explained that whereas the National Championships received one big amount, that equal amount would be spread towards all the Endurance Rides. Mr Hayes mentioned that the members had to keep in mind that with the National Show, the main expenses were for the venue and not the actual show and prize money. The whole idea was to take the same amount of money and spread it over many shows towards **members belonging to the Society, but who also took part in Endurance Riding.**

Mr Maritz commented that if Mr Hayes were saying that if the money was being used per registered member and registered/ recorded horse, it made sense. He was of the opinion though that unregistered/ un-recorded "back-yard" horses taking part in endurance should be done away with and more money should be spend on purebred Arabians. Mr Hayes pointed out to Mr Maritz that he understood his concern, but that this decision was already taken at the previous AGM.

Mr Jack Maritz mentioned that a decision was taken at a previous Council Meeting that a certain amount of money could be contributed "per purebred horse" at the Regional Shows. A small amount of money, the Members surplus profit share, was also being given to all the Regions on an annual basis , but due to the Court Cases, that decision was put on hold.

Mr Hayes also pointed out that as per the Constitution, it was the job of the Society to not just promote purebred horses, but part-bred and Anglo horses as well. He said that people, who never went through the trouble of registering part-bred horses, were now recording these horses.

Mrs Zandri Reynolds said that the members had to keep in mind that we are a "purebred breed Society" and she felt that the purebred Arabian horses should receive preference. Ms Reynolds also pointed out the fact that the penalties for the part-bred horses were being waived and the same was not being done for the purebred Arabian Horses and we are a purebred Society.

Mr Hayes pointed out to her that we are the ARAB HORSE SOCIETY OF SA and not the Purebred Arab Horse Society of SA. Mr Hayes also pointed out that the problem with "late" purebred Arab registrations was that we needed evidence of pedigree and purity of blood. When it came to the registrations of purebred Arabs, we needed to follow the WAHO RULES very strictly. Anglo and part-bred horses are not registered, but recorded.

Mr Hayes referred to Clause 2.1 in the Objectives of the Constitution.

" To promote and encourage the breeding and improvement of Arab, Shagya Arab, Anglo Arab, part-bred Arab and part-bred Shagya Arab horses (hereinafter referred to collectively as horses) in the Republic".

Mr Hayes agreed that the matter regarding the penalty fines should be taken to Council for discussion. That is was not in the interest of the breed to fine purebred Arabs and not the Part-bred horses.

See OBJECTIVES – Page 5

Mr Hayes said he wanted to bring this specific Clause to every-ones attention, as it could be interpreted differently from person to person. **This would mean that the Society has**

no responsibility for running any other Show, other, than the National Championships.
The Society therefore has the sole responsibility of running the National Show and could not be held responsible to run any Provincial or and other Shows.

2.12 *To be responsible for the annual running of a National Show held on a date and time as decided upon by the members of the society, and to encourage participation by all its Members.*

Mr Hayes enquired from the members present whether they were happy and if they had any questions regarding clause 2.12. All members present were happy with the above wording.

See POWERS OF THE SOCIETY – Page 6

The following words were added to Constitution as shown in red:

Mr Hayes also mentioned that certain mail to breeders was always posted, but we should add the option of email and or fax to this, as once again, we should keep in mind that times were changing.

3. POWERS OF THE SOCIETY

3.3 To take such action as may be deemed necessary in connection with all matters affecting the interests of breeders and members in the Republic of South Africa.

3.4 Arbitration of disputes:

- (b) For purposes of the Constitution and without derogating from the generality of the meaning of that word, the word “dispute” shall mean and include any objection to, qualification of and joinder of issue with anyone in respect of anything done or allegedly done in terms of the Constitution, or show rules.
- (c) Any person who declares a dispute shall do so by informing the Manager in writing by way of prepaid registered mail and or email, and or fax, of the declared dispute.

See MEMBERSHIP – Page 7

The following words were added to Constitution as shown in red.

4. MEMBERSHIP

4.1 ELIGIBILITY

The membership of the Society shall be open to persons who except in the case of Special Honorary Members, are resident in the Republic of South Africa. There shall be the following classes of members –

See MEMBERSHIP – Page 7

Mr Hayes was of the opinion that the Constitution should be updated on a yearly basis.

(a) **ORDINARY MEMBERS**

A natural person over the age of eighteen years, a company, close corporation, partnership, trust or body corporate which is directly or indirectly interested in breeding as well as registering horses shall be eligible for membership of the Society

as an Ordinary Member. An ordinary Member will only enjoy the right to vote at any general meetings, special meetings and or Provincial meetings after an uninterrupted period of **3 years** as a member of the Society. A member which is a company, close corporation, partnership, trust or body corporate shall be represented and shall enjoy the rights, duties and privileges of **an Ordinary** member through one natural person over the age of 18 years appointed and nominated by the said company, close corporation, partnership, trust or body corporate as its official representative in terms of the Constitution.

Mr Hayes said that the above Clause meant that an Ordinary Member had to be someone "interested" in breeding horses, which is slightly ambiguous. Important, if a person now became an Ordinary Member, that person had to be a member for 3 years, before he/she have the right to vote.

This will prevent people from becoming a Member just to vote, at for example the Annual General Meeting or doing so at our Special General Meeting on this day.

Mr Hayes pointed out that a whole next section was added as ASSOCIATED MEMBER. See below:

(f) **ASSOCIATED MEMBER**

Any person whom is 18 years old or older and is resident in the RSA may become an associated member of the Arab Horse Society of South Africa. This membership will entitle the member to participate at any event organized and or affiliated to the society. Such members however has no right to vote or attend the AGM and may not be elected on council.

The above Associated Member goes hand in hand with the information under DEFINITION in point 3, page 3.

See Page 9

The following words were added to Constitution as shown in red.

6. SUBSCRIPTION AND FEES

- 6.8 Irrespective of the provisions of Clause 6, any member who has failed to pay his current annual subscription before the closing date for entries for any show shall be barred from showing, and the relevant show holding **body** will be informed accordingly.

See Page 10

The following words were added to Constitution as shown in red. The details under the Resignation and expulsion were one of the reasons why Mr Hayes was requested to look at the Constitution as a whole.

7. RESIGNATION AND EXPULSION OF MEMBERS

- 7.2 The Council may by resolution to that effect passed by **a majority** of the members of the Council present and entitled to vote at a meeting of the Council, take disciplinary action against any member who –

- (c) has, by his acts or omission, brought actual or potential dishonour upon the Society, or who has been **accused** of conduct to the actual or potential prejudice of the objectives of the Society;

PROVIDED that no **disciplinary** proceedings/ **hearing** for expulsion or disciplinary action shall be initiated against any member of the Society unless the Manager has at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the **hearing** at which such disciplinary action has to be dealt with, addressed a registered letter **and or email and or fax** to such a member notifying him/her of the proposed **hearing**, and calling upon him/her to confirm in writing at least seven (7) days before the meeting / **hearing** if he/she wishes to **be** present, either personally or through his/her duly authorised representative, to put his/**her** side of the case **at such a hearing**.

- 7.3 Any member against who disciplinary action has been taken shall be **notified** by the Manager in writing within a period of ten (10) days from the date upon which the resolution effecting his / her disciplinary action was taken was passed of such steps taken. In terms of this subsection notice would be deemed to have been given on the date of the sending of the letter by registered post, **and or email, and or fax, provided proof of fax is available and in the case of email a delivery report is available as proof.**

THE FOLLOWING SECTION TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSTITUTION

*Mr Hayes pointed out that the whole section below was to be removed. **He was of the opinion that this section is unconstitutional.***

*Mr Hayes used the following example: If a member got expelled from the Society and that person owned a lot of horses. On expulsion the person are instructed by the Council to hand in all his/ her Registration Certificates for said horses. Meaning that person **no longer has proof that they are pure bred horses and the industry might loose really good bloodlines.** This should not be allowed, as owners/ breeders spend a lot of money on horses.*

Mr Hayes said that although you might be expelled as a Member, you should still have the right to be able to sell your horses. It was also the responsibility of the Society to protect good quality bloodlines in the horse industry.

- 7.4 Upon due expulsion of a member such member shall forthwith cease to be a member of the Society and the Council may, in its discretion direct the Manager forthwith to remove from the Stud Book and any other registers or records of the Society, the name of the member so expelled, and to apply to the Association for the cancellation of all registrations affected by it in respect of horses bred by the expelled member and owned by him at date of his expulsion. The Council shall moreover call upon the expelled member forthwith to deliver to the Society the registration certificates in respect of all horses owned by him at the date of his expulsion. From the date of his expulsion no transfer of a horse bred by the expelled member shall be registered, and no notification of birth shall be accepted from him, and he shall be notified accordingly.

Ms Zandri Reynolds agreed that is was definitely not in the interest of the industry withholding registration papers from breeders and with a result loss of quality bloodlines.

Mr Hayes enquired whether anyone present had a problem with the above change. There was no negative response from the members present.

See RESIGNATION AND EXPULSION OF MEMBERS - Page 11 & 12

The following words were added to Constitution as shown in red.

- 7.7 The presiding officer **is obliged to** include in his or her judgment at his or her discretion who should pay the cost, if any, of the disciplinary proceedings.

Mr Hayes just pointed out that the word “obliged” was added into the above Clause 7. If you have a disciplinary hearing, people need to travel to the venue where the hearing would take place and certain costs must be paid to the presiding officer who would normally be a partial and independent person and they would charge a fee. If the Society wins the disciplinary hearing, the presiding officer must be able to point out which person need to pay certain monies and they must be able to give written reasons for that, therefore they are obliged.

- 7.8 Any person against whom disciplinary action has been taken and found guilty of conduct in contravention or infringement of the Constitution, Rules, Regulations or Bye-laws of the Society may appeal against the conviction and/or the penalty imposed by giving written notice **by email, and or fax** of his or her intention to do so to the Manager within 20 days from the date of his or her conviction or imposition of a penalty.

- 7.9 The Manager shall, within 30 days from the date of receipt of the notice contemplated by Sub clause 7.7, inform the person so giving notice of his or her intention to appeal by registered mail **and or fax and or email** of the place, date and time of the appeal, and the names of the persons who will preside at the hearing of the appeal.

Mr Hayes just pointed out that the wording at Clause 7.11 was added because, if a person did not arrive on the day of the appeal, they had to keep in mind that there would be certain costs involved. People who needed to be present at the appeal, the Advocate hired at a fee. The person/s would then be liable for that cost.

- 7.11 Should the person who intends appealing in terms of the Constitution not **appear in person or by his / her representative**, the appeal shall automatically lapse and the finding against the person concerned shall become final, **to which the person who intended appealing the decision will be liable for costs of the appeal.**
- 7.12 Should any person fail to pay a fine imposed against him or her in terms of Sub clause 11.11(c) of the Constitution within 20 days from the date of imposition thereof the member against whom the fine was imposed or the member who such a person represents, as the case may be, shall not be entitled to exercise any right or privilege **as a member of the Society** in terms of the Constitution until full payment of the fine imposed.

THE FOLLOWING SECTION TO BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSTITUTION

See Page 12

Mr Hayes mentioned that Council was of the opinion that the section below was no longer relevant and should be removed.

9. MANAGEMENT

9.1 BOARD OF GOVERNORS

- 9.1.1 A board of Governors whose duty it will be to take due note of any matters affecting the Society and to report such matters to Council for its investigation and action as necessary consisting of up to three Governors shall be elected by the Annual General Meeting.

9.1.2 Nominees for the office of Governor shall be made by Council, and shall be Senior Members of the Society. These members should have served on Council and in addition have been members of the Society for not less than 10 years.

9.1.3 Each Governor shall be elected for a term of three years.

9.1.4 The Governors shall be elected for a term of three years. The three Governors elected at the first Annual General Meeting shall retire in the following sequence - at the end of the first year the person who gained the lowest number of votes shall retire; at the end of the second year the person who gained the second highest number of votes shall retire; at the end of the third year the person who gained the most votes shall retire.

9.1.5 A Governor will not serve as a member on Council but may attend Council Meetings in an advisory capacity.

See ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COUNCIL - Page 14

The following words were added to Constitution as shown in red.

9.1 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COUNCIL

9.1.8 At the National Annual General Meeting the members of the Society **may** elect from the provincial representatives a President and Vice-President for one term of office.

*The above section which was removed (Board of Governors) was Clause 9.
Establishment of the Council will therefore now become Clause 9.*

Mr Hayes pointed out that no provision was made in the Constitution for the fact that something might happen to the Chairman/ Vice-Chairman and what procedure should be followed on such occasion.

Mr Hayes said that we were in the exact situation currently, as our Vice-Chairman, Mr Willie Brown resigned. By adding this information below to our Constitution, it allows for continuity.

9.1.10 Should the President resign from office or die while in office the Vice-President will automatically assume the role of President of the Society.

9.1.11 Should the Vice-President resign from office or die while in office or assume the role of President as envisaged in 9.2.9 above, a Council member from those left on Council will be elected by a Majority vote of Council at a Council meeting following such death, resignation or assuming of President. Such elected Vice-President will be known as an "Acting Vice-President" until the date on which an Annual General Meeting is held or if necessary, a Special General Meeting.

Ms Zandri Reynolds was of the opinion that a Chairman (Clause 9.1.10) must always be voted in from the floor and not by Council. She felt that it should be the privilege of the members to vote in their Chairman.

Mr Jack Maritz said he was very happy with the addition as reflected 9.1.10 & 9.1.11.

Mr Hayes said that the person being "voted in", would only complete the predecessors term.

Mr Chris Els said that what the members had to keep in mind, was that the Special General Meeting being held on this day (01/03/2014), had exactly the same status

as would an Annual General Meeting. If the members present at the meeting elected a Vice-Chairman, it would be a vote from the floor and therefore legal.

Mr Hayes said that if something happened to the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman would step in. The normal term was 2 years. If members were not happy with the person stepping in, a Special General Meeting could be held. That was the normal procedure. Mr Leon Botha pointed out that, that is what the word “acting Chairman” meant/

The above addition to the Constitution was accepted by everyone present.

See Page 15 & 16

The following words were added to Constitution as shown in red.

11. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COUNCIL

11.11 To impose and exact the following penalties for the contravention or infringement of the Constitution, Rules, Regulations or Bye-laws of the Society:

(C) to impose a fine against a member to the maximum amount of **R20 000-00**, and/or;

Mr Hayes pointed out that the penalty amount was increased from a minimum of R5 000-00 to a maximum of R20 000-00, as R5 000-00 was not much of a deterrent to our members. Mr Hayes wanted to know whether everyone present were happy with the above change. There was no negative response.

11.31 **It is each member of Council’s duty to attend all Council meetings and failure in attendance of any Council member of 2 consecutive meetings, without prior legitimate excuse, will result in his immediate suspension from Council which will in turn result in that Council Members Province having to appoint a new representative in terms of section 9.2 of this Constitution.**

Mr Hayes said that he insisted on the following Clause to be added and he felt very strongly about it. The Society recently had a situation where a person/s was voted onto Council as a Council Member/s, but continually missed Council Meetings.

If a person was aware of the fact that they would not be able to attend Council Meetings, they should not be on Council. Council Members are there to protect the interest of the members and Region. Ms Reynolds suggested that the word “consecutive” be taken out of the clause 11.31.

Mr Hayes used Mrs Van Wyk and Mr Jack Maritz as examples. If they missed consecutive meetings, they would usually inform Council in advance and always have a valid reason for not being able to attend, like judging overseas etc. Otherwise they almost always attend all the meetings.

The above Clause was being added for member/s that misses a lot of meetings.

Mrs Zandri Reynolds mentioned that Council said they would make all decisions, made at Council Meetings, available by putting it on the website. Ms Charmaine Haarhoff said that the decision was still the same and that she was at fault for not having put it on as yet.

Mr Hayes said that as members of the Society, they had the right to request the Minutes from a Meeting. We were not a secret Society. The Minutes from the Council Meetings however tend to be very long as everything were minute. Therefore only the decisions would

be made available.

See GENERAL MEETINGS of the Constitution - Page 17

The following words were added to Constitution as shown in red.

12.1.3 A special general meeting of the Society may at any time upon thirty (30) days written notice, **and or email, and or fax** to members, be called by

(a) the Council, or

(b) the President (or in his absence, by the Vice-President) upon a WRITTEN REQUISITION SIGNED AND ADDRESSED TO THE MANAGER, BY NOT LESS THAN TWENTY (20) MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY. Any such requisition shall specify the objective(s) of the meeting and at such meeting only the objectives specified may be discussed.

(c) Such Date place and time of a Special General Meeting will be determined by Council.

12.1.4 Not less than sixty (60) days prior to the holding of the Annual General Meeting a preliminary notice of the time, date and place of meeting shall be posted **and or emailed, and or faxed** by the Manager to every member. Any member intending to put forward a Notice of Motion for discussion at the Annual General Meeting shall give written notice thereof which is seconded by another member to reach the Manager not less than forty (40) days prior to the holding of the meeting. No Notice of Motion shall be put forward by any member and be placed on the Agenda for the Annual General Meeting, unless the requisite Notice of Motion is properly seconded in terms of this sub clause.

However, no motion of censure put forward by a member which in any way constitutes an accusation against, reflection on, or disapproval of any other members, of the act or actions of such other member shall be accepted unless such motion of censure has first been submitted to a duly constituted Council Meeting and that such Council Meeting shall have agreed by a two-thirds majority of those present taken on a show of hands, that such motion shall go forward and appear on the Agenda.

The following words were added to Constitution as shown in red.

12.1.5 Not less than thirty (30) days prior to the holding of the General Meeting, notice of the time, date and place of such meeting, together with the Agenda of such meeting shall be posted **and or faxed and or emailed** to each member of the Society.

12.1.6 No resolution shall be taken at a general meeting unless notice thereof appears on the Agenda sent to the members, with the notice calling the meeting, unless such meeting agrees by **a majority** of the members present and entitled to vote that any matter not specifically on the Agenda, shall be discussed and voted upon.

12.1.7 Any general meeting may be adjourned by a majority vote of the members present thereat.

*Mr Hayes enquired whether those present were happy with the above changes. He said members must remember that some decisions had to be taken by Council. **He said how the structure should work is that Members take their suggestions to the Regional***

Representatives to be discussed by Council to make a decision, based on what they have been told by the Members.

See Page 18 of COUNCIL MEETINGS in the Constitution

The following words were added to Constitution as shown in red.

12.2 COUNCIL MEETINGS

12.2.1 The Council shall meet at such time and place as it may from time to time determine, or as may be decided by the President, or in his absence, the Vice-President; provided that not less than two (2) Council meetings shall be held in each financial year.

12.2.2 A special Council Meeting –

- (a) may be called by the President (or in his absence by the Vice-President) at such time and place as such office-bearer may decide, or
- (b) shall be called upon a requisition signed, and addressed to the Manager, by not less than three (3) members of the Council stating the reason for such meeting.

12.2.3 Not less than twenty-one (21) days prior to the holding of any Council Meeting written notice of the time, date and place of such meeting shall be posted **and or faxed and or emailed** to each member of the Council by the Manager.

12.3 QUORUM

The following words were added to Constitution as shown in red.

12.4 **Should either** the President or Vice-President, be absent, **that the one present of the two** shall preside at all meetings and should both these office-bearers be absent from any meeting, the members present shall elect another member to preside at such meeting, and any person so elected shall, in relation to that meeting, have all the powers and fulfil all the duties of the President.

The following words were added to Constitution as shown in red.

16. AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

16.1 The Constitution may be added to or altered by the resolution approved by not less than two-thirds of the members present, and entitled to vote at a general meeting of the Society, of which meeting and of which proposed addition to, alteration or amendment of the Constitution, not less than thirty (30) days' written notice has been given to each member of the Society **by email and or by fax and or by post.**

GENERAL BYE-LAWS

No amendments were made under GENERAL BYE-LAWS.

Mr Hayes requested that the changes in Constitution be accepted and adopted in its entirety.

PROPOSED : MS ZANDRI REYNOLDS

SECONDED : MR LEON BOTHA

*Ms Zandri Reynolds had a question, referring to the **LEASE OF A MARE**. The wording in Clause 25.1 referred to: "lease a mare from another member."*

The wording read incorrectly, as when someone leased a mare, it did not have to be from another member. What if a mare was being leased from another Country like Poland for instance and Poland was not a registered member? Or someone in Poland was leasing a mare to a member in America?

25. LEASE OF A MARE

- 25.1 **A member may lease a mare from another member** who is the registered owner of the mare and register such lease within 10 days from the date of the lease in writing on the form prescribed by the Society and the Association.
- 25.2 The registration form shall be signed personally by the lessor and lessee and shall be submitted to the Manager within 10 days from the date of the lease accompanied by the registration certificate of the mare concerned and the prescribed fee.
- 25.3 The Society shall retain the registration form and the registration certificate until termination of the lease or registration of the birth of the foal of the leased mare.

Mr Hayes said that the wording in Clause 25.1 would be brought under the attention of the Council for their consideration.

(Time: 01:36)

Amendments to the Constitution made and adapted and the rest of the AGENDA came up for discussion.

4. SEPARATE DATE FOR FUTURE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS TO BE DISCUSSED.

Mr Hayes said that the above point have been a bone of contention for a number of years. It had been a problem for a lot of people attending the Meetings and at the same time trying to look after and preparing horses for the upcoming Show.

The suggestion being made was not for 2014. The Annual General Meeting will take place in November 2014 before the National Championships start.

The discussion point was whether the AGM must take place with the Nationals in 2015. Mr James Coulter supported the idea that the AGM be held with the Nationals, as it ensured that more people would attend the AGM. It would not be a good idea to hold the AGM after the Show as everyone wanted to get home and would therefore not attend the meeting.

Susan Rothman said that when the AGM and Nationals were held separately, the attendance was very poor. Hanley Scott also agreed that the AGM should be held with the Nationals to prevent a low attendance record.

Mr Hayes mentioned that it was the Endurance people who suggested that the AGM and the National Championships be held separately and he was the only person from the Endurance people present at the Special General Meeting being held on this day 01/03/2014. A lot of the members in question did not live far from the venue where the meeting was being held.

According to Ms Reynolds a lot of the Endurance people said they did not want to attend meetings as all that was being discussed was Shows.

Mr Leon Botha said that talk was cheap. It was easy for people to pick up the phone and complain, but they did not actually make the effort by driving to the meetings being held. It was very often the Show people who did attend meetings and pitched in to assist with Shows to make them successful. People did not give their input and assistance, but are more than willing to criticise afterwards.

Mr Fanie Maritz was of the opinion that if people were serious and committed about the Society and its future that they would make the necessary efforts to attend meetings.

When the meetings take place in conjunction with the Nationals, it was easy to run in to quickly vote, but are those same people prepared to go the extra mile to vote and make the effort?

Mr Maritz were not happy with the fact that some people do just come to the meetings to vote, but have no real interest about what they are actually “voting for”.

Mr Jaco le Roux supported this statement and said that the AGM must be held annually at a central point.

Ms Gillian Oosthuysen said that most people present at the meeting had other engagements for the day, but made the effort and prioritised their appointments to attend this meeting. It was always the same people who made the efforts to attend meetings. The people, who did not attend, are the ones who criticise the most. The Society has problems, because the Members did not know how to work together and get along.

Ms Susan Rothman suggested that the Show be held with the Annual General Meeting and without the AGM, it be alternate on a yearly basis. A suggestion was made that the members vote.

Mr Hayes requested those present vote on their preference:

Mr Hayes enquired from the members how they wanted to vote, by ballot paper or show of hands. The majority of members wanted to vote by show of hands.

- 1. Those in favour of splitting up the Annual General Meeting to take place separate from National Championships.*

The vote was unanimous to splitting the AGM and National Championships.

Decision taken:

The 2014 Annual General Meeting to take place with the National Championships.

The 2013 Annual General Meeting to be held separate from the Nationals.

Council had to decide on the date and inform the Members accordingly.

Mr Chris Els brought it under the attention of Mr Hayes that due to the above decision, the following Clause 12.1.1 in the Constitution will then have to be changed.

See Page 17 of the Constitution

The following words were added to Constitution as shown in red.

Please note the change made during the meeting in Clause 12.1.1

12. MEETINGS

12.1 GENERAL MEETINGS

- 12.1.1 A general meeting of the Society to be known as the National Annual General Meeting shall be held annually ~~to coincide with the National Championships as determined by the National Annual General Meeting~~ and at such time and venue as may be determined by Council.*

Clause 12.1.1 will now read as follows:

- 12.1.1 A general meeting of the Society to be known as the National Annual General Meeting shall be held annually at such time and venue as may be determined by Council.***

Mr Jack Maritz said the change in the above Clause may help with the change of dates as far as the financial statements were concerned in the future.

5. 2014 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS : TAKING PLACE 25 – 29 NOVEMBER IN PARYS

Mr Hayes confirmed that the National Championships will be held at the Afri-Dome in Parys from 25 – 29 November 2014 as decided at the last Annual General Meeting. The decision was taken because of the breakout of Horse Sickness and to assist the Western Cape Regional Members to bring their horses to the Nationals.

Mr Jaco le Roux informed the members that there was an embargo placed, according to the News, on the whole of the Western Cape due to Horse Sickness cases. Therefore no horses were allowed in or out of the Western Cape as of 28 February 2014. George area was still fine, but the Riversdale area was the cut-off for transporting horses. If the Nationals were therefore held in March as per usual, the Western Cape members would not have been able to attend the Nationals. Their do seem to be cases of horse sickness in November, but is worse around March every year.

Mr Hayes said that the whole point of discussing this was also that we did not have a Convenor for the National Championships. Mr Hayes enquired from those present whether any of them was interested to be the Convenor or may have suggestions of someone who might be interested.

Ms Lizelle Honnibal suggested the Society get an outside person with some knowledge to act as Convenor. The Society then also gets a Committee who could work together with the Convenor. Mr Hayes said the only problem with this was the costs involved, as it could become very expensive getting a Convenor who was not affiliated with the Society. In the past the Convenors really had a passion for the Arabian horses and worked mostly free of charge.

Mr Els suggested that a proposal be sent out and put on the website to invite interested parties to act as Convenor. Mr Hayes and Mr Jack Maritz agreed. This could then be discussed by Council.

The Secretary Charmaine Haarhoff mentioned that the idea of a Convenor was briefly spoken about at a previous Council Meeting and it was suggested that the idea be brought for discussion to the Special General Meeting, not necessarily to be decided on. The year before the Office emailed out an open invitation to all the members to act as a Convenor and there was absolute no response from the members!

Mr Jack Maritz said he was sure that Council would not have a problem finding a Convenor.

Mr Leon Botha said that there was an independent Organisation who trained people to assist during shows, for instance as Gate Marshalls and Ring Stewarts. All the Organisation need is the Rules and Regulations of the Horse Society. They do not charge a fee, but only request that the said Society pay for the food and accommodation. The positive side to this was that the people working for this organisation do not know anyone at the Shows.

Mr Hayes agreed that the above was a very good suggestion and requested Mr Botha to please provide the Office with the contact details of the organisation.

6. DATES FOR THE 2015 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS & SUMMER SHOW TO BE DISCUSSED.

Mr Hayes mentioned that this point was for discussion and not for the date to be decided on. This should however be discussed and the information must be made available to all the members and Council and decide on the final date.

*Mr Francois & Willie Brown requested that the letter below be taken in to consideration when discussing the dates for the **2015 National Championships and Summer Shows**. Mr Hayes summarised the letter to those present.*

Mr Willie Brown was in the process of negotiating a deal for a very large Show to take place in South Africa in 2015 in the Cape Town area. Something like the Las Vegas Breeders Cup with big sponsorships and prize money. This kind of exposure would be very good for the Society, but Mr Brown mentioned in his letter, that the Breeders Cup was being planned for around April 2015. This date would therefore be around the

same time the Society would normally hold the National Championships at the end of March. This is therefore a concern to the Browne family as the dates might clash and one of the Shows will suffer. A copy of the letter was presented to all the members present.

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27 Februarie 2014

Die President
Arabierperd Genootskap
Bloemfontein

Wesley

Ek merk dat daar 'n beprekingspunt op die agenda van die Spesiale Algemene Vergadering is waar die datum van die Nasionale Kampioenskappe bespreek gaan word.
Graag wil ek u en die vergadering versoek dat u die volgende in ag sal neem wanneer die vergadering sou besluit om die datum weer te verskuif.

Ons is tans in onderhandelings met 'n buitelandse borgskap om 'n groot skou in Suid Afrika te reël waar daar 'n moontlike groot totale prysgeld betrokke sal wees. Ons het reeds 'n onderneming ontvang dat die borg beslis belang stel.

Ongelukkig wil hulle hul eie tydgleuf vir die skou bepaal, en huidig blyk dit dat hulle graag tyd einde Maart begin April 2015 verkies. Verder sal hierdie borgskap nie aan die Nasionale Kampioenskappe of enige ander skou gekoppel kan word nie en sal sy eie identiteit moet hê.

Ons wil nie voorskriftelik wees oor die datum wanneer die lede die Nasionale Kampioenskappe in die toekoms wil aanbied nie, maar versoek u om die be-oogde datums soos in ag sal neem met u besluit.

Sodra ons finaliteit oor die skou bereik sal ons 'n volledige voorlegging aan u Raad voorlê.

Groete
Francois en Willie Brown

Mr Hayes said that he spoke to Mr Brown and told him that his letter would be taken into consideration and that only a discussion was going to take place at the meeting and a decision would not be taken as yet.

Mr Hayes said that the Society should respond to Mr Brown's letter and that an answer will be needed by November 2014 whether this show will definitely take place and what the dates are.

Ms Zandri Reynolds said that if the Society had to wait until November 2014 for an answer, there will not be enough time to re-arrange things for the National Championships to take place in March 2015. Ms Susan Rothman was of the opinion that the Society could also not hold a National Championships in November 2014 and then again in March 2015.

Mr Jack Maritz mentioned that the Nationals have been discussed over and over and it was always the same people who gave reasons why the date should be changed. The argument was that the members from the Western Cape should be accommodated. The other argument was that the National Championships should be the last big Show of the year and school children should be accommodated as they wanted to take part in the show.

Mr Hayes said this discussion point was not to change the date back again, but that we should keep in mind that if it were to be changed, that the Breeders Cup had to be taken into consideration.

The Secretary Charmaine Haarhoff confirmed that the Afri-Dome has been booked for the next 5 years, being the last week in November 2014 to 2018.

Mr James Coulter said that something our members might not be aware of was that the Show Mr Brown was working on, was being organised by the same "body" or people who organised the Las Vegas Show and who do the Breeders Cup in Europe. This really would be a very high profile Show for the Arab Horse Society. We should therefore try and accommodate the Show as much as possible.

Mr Leon Botha agreed that the exposure would be very good for the Society and members, but we should also keep in mind that the Autumn Cup was an annual Show taking place in March. The Organisers therefore also work very hard to get Sponsors and should know in advance about what was going on to make their plans and arrange sponsors.

Mr Hayes mentioned that those who were not aware of it, our marketing lady Lucy Dixon started a website Show Calendar with all the events. Members can request Lucy to "book off" certain dates for future Shows to take place. Members can use this as point of reference.

Ms Zandri Reynolds was of the opinion that the members present had to make a decision on the date for the next Nationals, following 2014. She also suggested the Nationals take place in September instead of November month. The possible Show that Mr Brown was trying to arrange, might also cause split attendance in held in March, as the Autumn Cup was taking place. The Brown family provided the letter regarding the possible show, but were not in attendance at the Meeting.

Mr Hayes said to Ms Reynolds that she has now raised all the issues, what did she suggest as a solution to the problems?

Mr Fanie Maritz said that people wanted to make a decision, but he first wanted to know exactly what was a Breeders Cup? Mr James Coulter replied that a breeders cup was an "in-hand" Hors Show for South African bred horses. The horse must be born and bred in SA. Mr Jack Maritz said that this was not the definition for a breeder's cup all over the world. Mr Coulter agreed, but this was as the proposal for the possible show being organised by the Browns. Mr Coulter said we already had a low number of horses in SA and by restricting the numbers to "breeders' cup" amounts, there will not be many horses.

Mr Jaco le Roux reminded the members present that they were spending a lot of time talking about the letter presented by Mr Brown, while they should wait until there was concrete information available about the Show being organised. **Mr Hayes agreed and said the more important issue was the date for 2015 as per the Agenda.**

Mr Hayes also said that he did not think Mr Brown had much of a choice as far as the date for the Show would be concerned, as the people wanting to host the show, wants it to be a certain date, being around March/ April 2015.

Mr Coulter said that the members should take note of Mr Jack Maritz comment that the organisers of the Las Vegas Breeders Cup, normally held their Shows in April.

Mr Fanie Maritz suggested people must first attend a show in November, and thereafter, everyone would have a better idea how it worked out or not. Mr Hayes mentioned that Council did look into moving the Nationals back to Bloemfontein, due to the increasing costs, but Bloemfontein Show has been fully booked.

Mr Hayes said the consensus was that the members present would by show of hands vote on who wanted to move the National Championship Show back to March, and who wanted to keep in it in November.

- 1. National Championships to take place in March**
No show of hands – nil votes
- 2. National Championships to take place in November 2014 & 2015**
Yes – Unanimous vote

7. FINANCIAL YEAR DATE/S TO BE DECIDED ON

Mr Hayes said that this now basically sorted itself out due, to the decisions taken earlier in the meeting. For 2014 there might be a problem with the financial statements, but that will be able to be sorted out. In future the Annual General Meeting would be held separately from the National Championships and should pose no problem, as the Financial Statements need to be adopted at the AGM.

Mr Hayes referred to Clause 13.3 in the Constitution:

Proper books of account shall be kept by the Manager and shall be audited from time to time, but not less than once every year, by a qualified auditor appointed at a general meeting of the Society, and a duly audited balance sheet and statement of the financial position of the Society as at the 31st December of the financial year to which the report referred to in Clause 12.1.2 relates, shall be submitted to the Annual General Meeting of the Society.

Mr Hayes enquired whether all those present were happy with the decisions taken so far. There was no negative response.

8. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE ARAB HORSE SOCIETY OF SA

Mr Hayes referred to the fact that as the Society currently did not have a Vice-Chairman, an official vote had to done by ballot on the nomination. This way everyone was done properly and there would be a record to go back to.

It was made clear to all that even if said Council Members were not present at the Special General Meeting, their names would be on the board and automatically available. Those chosen could either stand as available or not. Mr Maritz confirmed that we were following the correct procedure.

Mr Chris Els wrote down all the names of the current Council Members on the board for all to see. From those names, members could make their nominations.

Once the nominations were done, the Secretaries collected the nominations from those present to be counted by Mr Chris Els and Marike Simkin.

Mr Els indicated the final nominations on the board and told everyone present that the final vote could be made from the following names:

Mrs Lizelle Honiball
Mr Leonard Buys
Mr Jaco le Roux
Mrs Marie-Louise van Wyk
Mr Jack Maritz

The final nominations were collected by the Secretaries and counted by Mr Chris Els. Mr Hayes congratulated **Mr Jack Maritz as the new Vice-Chairman**. He was voted in by an overwhelming majority of votes.

Ms Susan Rothman wanted to know if the next Vice-Chairman for instance decided to resign, what would happen then? Mr Hayes replied that Council could then make a decision. The Secretary Charmaine Haarhoff replied that all the nominations and voting ballots were kept for record and safekeeping in the office.

9. GENERAL

Mr Hayes mentioned that as there was no formal topic under General, but informally anyone could discuss something if they would like. Mr Hayes just wanted to bring the following the attention of those present. Sometime last year the Arab Horse Society were informed that they had to join the **SAEF**, because the members would be sanctioned if they were riding at un-affiliated events if they were not part of the SAEF. Mr Hayes said Mr Buys dealt with the situation and dealt with this in the correct way, he went to all the forum meetings etc.

Mr Hayes said as he did some show jumping himself, he ended up involved in the SAEF situation and realised that there were certain things which did not add up for him. Mr Hayes said it was not SASCOC who were telling the SAEF that the Breeders had to join, it was the President of the SAEF who wanted the Breeders to join because it would make the members pay membership and it would add to their income.

The Horse Forum was busy drafting a Constitution on behalf of all the Breeders Associations. Mr Hayes then wrote a letter to SAEF on behalf of the Arab Horse Society and requested from them the relevant legislation which forced the Horse Societies to join. Mr Hayes has a letter which said that only requirements that SASCOC want were for sporting disciplines that gave provincial and national colours. That is recognised Provincial colours (EP colours) or Protea colours (old Springbok colours).

The breeders generally do not give colours, except maybe for the Boerperd and Saddle horses, so they would have to join. Mr Hayes has now been advised that the rest of the Horse Societies did not have to join. The letter regarding this has been made available on the website. In the letter SAEF stated that they could do nothing to our members for part-taking in unaffiliated and at affiliated events. For instance, Mr Hayes cannot be sanctioned for riding at a show-jumping event with his Anglo or if he takes his Anglo to an Arab Horse Society Show or one of his Arabs for that matter.

Mr Hayes said he will make all the correspondence regarding SAEF available to all. Mr Hayes said he wrote to most of the disciplines to enquire whether they were planning to sanction any of the Arab Horse Society members. He has had feedback from dressage, Show jumping, polo & western reining, replying that they would not sanction the members.

Mr Jack Maritz thanked Mr Hayes for all the effort he put into sorting the SAEF out for the members.

Mr Hayes said another very important point was the **CEM testing**. In the past the Society has been registering between 700 and 900 foals per annum, but since CEM came into effect the Society only register about 80 foals per annum. CEM had the same effect on other breeds. Mr Hayes said he requested Mr Michiel Burger to arrange an urgent Horse Forum to discuss the CEM. He also wrote a letter near the end of 2013 to all the other Breed Societies to gain their support to take on this regulation. The CEM is not a Law, but a Regulation. Mr Hayes also wrote to Dr Allan Guthrie who refuses to answer anyone's letters and or phone calls.

Dr Pierre van Rooyen from SA Studbook wrote to him as well as the Presidents from the other Breed Societies. Mr Hayes said he did not want to involve the Society in another Court Case, but in the end this might be the only solution to get the CEM problem sorted out. The CEM regulations are affecting the industry and it may only get worse. This Regulation affects a certain sector in the Equine community and Mr Hayes was of the opinion that it was discriminating against members who were members of SA Studbook. There are people out there breeding, selling and exporting horses without having to register their horses at Studbook and therefore do not have to test for CEM. Our members pay their membership fees, levies etc and they are the ones being told by Government that it is compulsory to do the CEM testing. Our members are therefore ease to legislate on and being prevented from registering our horses.

Mr Hayes said he cannot take on this case without the Society members' support.

Ms Susan Rothman wanted to know whether an article regarding the problem with the CEM could be launched. Mr Hayes said he approached the Landbouweekblad and Farmers Weekly to do some marketing for the Arab Horse Society. He said he did raise the idea about an article regarding CEM in the Landbouweekblad and they were interested, but nothing had been decided on.

Ms Zandri Reynolds offered to write to Mr Johan Theron requesting permission to write an article about CEM for the HQ Magazine. Mr Hayes thanked Ms Reynolds.

Mr Hayes also enquired from the members present if anyone disagreed with the idea. The next Horse Forum was only scheduled for October 2014 and that was too long to wait to try and sort out the CEM crisis. Mr Hayes was of the opinion that an urgent Horse Forum meeting had to be called. Mr Hayes said he was not aware of any positive CEM tests within the Horse Breed Societies.

Mr Hayes did however mentioned that all horses exported had to be tested for CEM.

10. CLOSURE

Mr Hayes thanked everyone for attending and the valuable contributions during the meeting. The atmosphere was good and this is the way it should be in the future.

Mr Hayes said he wanted to thanked Mr Els and the Secretaries on behalf of the Society for their hard work.

Mr Jack Maritz also thanked everyone present for their input during the meeting and thanked Mr Hayes for his contributions towards the Society and his work with the amendments to the Constitution.

SIGNED BY:

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