

DRAFT MINUTES

10th Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday 25 September 2018 at 16h00 NCE Boardroom

Present: Charles Loots – Chairperson (CL), Morgan Hauptfleisch (MH), Steve Galloway(SG), Chris Brown (CB), John Pallet (JP), Maxi Louis (ML)

Apologies: Stephan Bezuidenhout (SB), Malan Lindeque (MLin),

Agenda item	Discussion	Decision	Action Points
1. Welcome by Chairman	Chairperson welcomed all present		
2. Attendance / Apologies	No apologies	Quorum present	
3. Approval of Agenda	No additions	Agenda adopted	
4. Minutes of 9 th Meeting 4.1 Correctness	No corrections	Minutes approved	
5.1 Eight Programme Areas	1. Membership support		

New Member Applications 2. National facilitation	 Membership Policy is now updated. Membership currently stands at 61. 5 applications submitted for discussion and approval. 2 full member applications approved. (The Rooikat Trust) (Oana Flora and Fauna) 1 full members application rejected. (Plastic Packaging) 1 associate member application approved. (Maria Aletta Bell) 1 associate member application to be further investigated and tabled at the next meeting. (Ina Neuberger Wilkie) 	CL to contact Plastic Packing to apply as a sponsor rather than a member.
Best Practice Guide for the mining sector in Namibia	 CB had a constructive meeting with the Vice-Chair of the Offshore Group, Dennis Zekveld. The guide was tabled at the Chamber of Mines meeting and all managing directors and senior management across the mining sector are working together. The Minister of Mines and Energy made positive comments and is interested in the guide as well as the off- set project. The Minister also requested NCE / EC of CoM to prepare a Rehab & Closure policy for MME There is a possibility of GiZ co- funding this initiative. 	Office Manager to get the link from Kirsty Watermeyer, pertaining to the interview done by CB and CL on mining and the environment, for the NCE website and to share with CoM.
Stakeholder Information Meeting: Greater Waterberg Partnership Park	 A meeting was held with farmers of the area on 12 September 2018. A masterplan document has now been drafted. NUST selected the GWPP area as their summer school destination with good feedback. GiZ keen for this project to be part of the green economy 	

	•	 The law enforcement capability of MET and PRD of NamPol have significantly increased and the reward scheme is attracting informers who report people with pangolins (and other species), thus further increasing the capability of law enforcement agencies. Noted.
5.	 Interns Bursary Trust Deed and 2019 bursaries Environmental policy research Urban development / environment (sanitation, energy) 	 As this is a Welfare Trust, registration is more difficult. Bursaries will be open in October 2018. The team will meet with the Minister of Finance on 28 September 2018 to pave the way for discussions with World Bank For sanitation there are proposals pending. One with UNICEF and one with the UNDP and GEF's Small Grant Programme.
7.	Environmental information Fund raising • Project funding Grant making • New Grants	Noted. Noted. To be discussed with point 6, finances. Noted. To be discussed with point 6, finances.

6. Finances 6.1 Financial report	Final Audit reports: 2017 and 2018 FYE Financial Report 01 July 2018 to 30 September 2018 (draft)	 The reports were signed off by ExCo and are on the NCE website. Based on the 3-month forecast, the NCE is under budget with 37% spent; Financial reports accepted. 	CL to look for pro-bono auditors for the 2018/2019 FY audit.
7. Any other business	1.Welcoming of John Pallet	JP was welcomed by all to his first official NCE ExCo meeting.	CB to share the points
	2.AGM and workshop feedback	AGM well conducted and successful.	and discussions from the workshop with members and ExCo.
	3. NCE year-end function	➤ The date is confirmed for 30 November 2018.	Office Manager to
	4. Voluntary offset Project	General discussion	explore the option of a joint function with NCE
	5. EIA/ EAPAN	 The Ministry has put a proforma process in place, with immediate effect, requiring environmental practitioners and consultants to submit certain documentation and material. Legislation is desired to compel the practitioners to register. 	Members.
	6. NCE office accommodation	 CB presented several options to ExCo: Building on NNF property Combining efforts with Maxi and Ronnie to build together. This will be dealt with in early 2019. 	

	7. 'Overtourism'	CB started a process of getting people to think about 'overtourism', with much support. This has a number of different elements: Sensitive areas that simply have too many visitors for the carrying capacity Areas that currently have too many tourists but, with infrastructure and management investment, could accommodate more tourist; and Under-developed areas with tourism potential, that could be developed as	
	8. Forestry	destinations There is a need to develop a strategic tourism special planning framework for the country – to be discussed at the next Sustainable Development Advisory Council meeting. There is a growing concern regarding deforestation. Further attempts to contact DoF and MAWF on this issue do not get any response. NCE needs to consider different approaches to this, e.g. a more public position, commissioning a technical review, etc.	
	9. NCE quarterly report	➤ B2Gold Vancouver is requesting quarterly reports on the progress of the NCE	CB and office manager to compile quarterly reports, with the assistance of Tanja, for B2Gold.
8. Next meeting		Next Meeting – 04 December 2018	

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Chairperson	Chief Executive Officer