

## **DRAFT MINUTES**

# 5th Annual General Meeting

Friday, 03 December 2021 at 16h00

The Barn, 12 Acacia Street, Suiderhof, Windhoek and virtual, via Zoom

Present: ExCo

Chris Brown - Sustainable Solutions Trust

Charles Loots - Otjikoto Trust

#### Members

A. Speiser Environmental Consultants

**Botanical Society** 

Conservancies Association of Namibia (CANAM)

Cheetah Conservation Fund (CCF)

Development Workshop Namibia (DWN)

Eco- Awards Namibia

Environmental Assessment Professionals in Namibia (EAPAN)

Environmental Compliance Consultancy (ECC)

Greenspace

JARO Consultancy

John Irish

Integrated Rural Development and Nature Conservation (IRDNC)

Namibian Association of Community Based Natural Resource Management (CBNRM) Support Organizations (NACSO)

Namibia Bird Club (NBC)

Namibian Environment & Wildlife Society (NEWS)

Namibia Nature Foundation (NNF)

Namibia Scientific Society

The Southern African Institute for Environmental Assessment (SAIEA)

Sustainable Solutions Trust (SST)

Tourism Supporting Conservation (TOSCO)

## **Proxy**

NamibRand Nature Reserve

## Other

HB Bookkeeping Services: Hester Berg Office Manager- Henriette Krohne

# Apologies: ExCo

John Pallett- Namibian Environment & Wildlife Society

Hilma Angula - Namibian Association of Community Based Natural Resource Management (CBNRM) Support Organizations

Morgan Hauptfleisch- Biodiversity Research Centre, Namibia University of Science and Technology

Stephan Bezuidenhout- Environmental Compliance Consultancy

Malan Lindeque – Private

### **Members**

Africat Foundation

**African Conservation Services** 

Ashby Associates CC

Agra Limited (ProVision)

Ben Strohbach

Brown Hyena Research Project Trust Fund

Conservancies Association of Namibia

**Desert Elephant Conservation** 

**Desert Lion Conservation Trust** 

Eco-Logic Environmental Management Consulting CC

Earthlife Namibia

**EduVentures Trust** 

**Elephant Human Relations Aid** 

EnviroScience (Antje Burke)

**Felines Communication and Conservation** 

Frank Bockmühl

Giraffe Conservation Foundation

Gobabeb Research and Training Center

Kwando Carnivore Project (Lise Hanssen)

Leibniz Institute for Zoo and Wildlife Research

LM Environmental Consulting

Maria Aletta Bell

Michael Sinvula Lukubwe

Mountain Zebra Project (Morris Gosling)

Naankuse Foundation

Namibia Biomass Industry Group

Namibian Hydrogeological Association

Namib Desert Environmental Education Trust

Namibia Animal Rehabilitation Research & Education Centre

Namibia Professional Hunting Association

**NUST Biodiversity Research Centre** 

Nyae Development Foundation of Namibia

Oana Namibia

Ongava Game Reserve

Progress Namibia TAS cc

Rare & Endangered Species Trust

Research and Information Services of Namibia

**Rooikat Trust** 

Save The Rhino Trust

Scientific Society Swakopmund

Seabirds and Marine Ecosystems (Jessica Kemper)

Sea Search Research and Conservation (Namibian Dolphin Project)

Seeis Conservancy

**SLR Environmental Consulting** 

SunCycles Electrics Namibia CC

Venture Publications (Pty) Ltd

Wild Bird Rescue (Sonja Bartlewski)

	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	DECISION	ACTION POINTS
1.	Welcome and introduction by the Chairperson	The Chairperson welcomed all present.		
2.	Presence of a Quorum		Quorum present	
3.	Presence and Apologies		Present: 23 Members Apologies: 27 Members	
4.	Approval of Agenda		Agenda approved with no additions	
5.	Minutes of 4 <sup>th</sup> AGM 5.1 Correctness 5.2 Matters arising		Minutes approved with 2 corrections.	Minutes to be signed.
6.	Chief Executive Officer's report	The report presented by the CEO was approved.  (attached)		Report to be loaded on NCE website
7.	Presentation of the audited financial statements for the period 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021	The statements were circulated and reviewed by the Executive Committee.  The bookkeeper presented the financial statements and audit findings for the year ending 30 June 2021.  There were no issues identified and the audit was unqualified.	Annual financial statements for 2020/2021 accepted.	Signed financial statements to be loaded on NCE website

8.	Appointment of auditors for the year 2021/2022	PKF/ FCS nominated and approved.	Noted.	Notify auditors of reappointment
9.	Ratify admission of new Members	Membership currently stands at 68 members.	Two (2) full members submitted for approval: Both members accepted unanimously.	Notify the following new members of their admission and prepare membership certificates:  Pangolin Conservation and Research Foundation  Ocean Conservation Namibia
			Two (2) associate members submitted for approval: Both associate members accepted.	<ul> <li>Black footed Cat - Martina Kusters</li> <li>Herta Kolberg, Botanist</li> </ul>
10.	To consider, and if necessary, nominate Executive Committee Members	ExCo Members who completed their 2-year term and opted to resign:  • John Pallett • Duly accepted.  ExCo Members who completed their 2-year term and opted to make themselves available	JP thanked for his dedication, hard work and service. The remaining ExCo will continue as is, with the addition of Reinhold Mungunda from NEWS.	CB will continue looking for an appropriate person from the business sector as Coopted Executive Member.
		for re-election:	ExCo to Co-opt a business- oriented / financial person.	OM to contact Stephan Bezuidenhout and enquire whether he will make himself available for re-election or suggest a young member of his team to replace him.
		<ul> <li>Reinhold Mungunda nominated.</li> <li>Duly accepted.</li> </ul>		
11.	Any other business	None		

12. Closing comments by the chairperson and Vote of Thank	The Chairman thanked everyone present and closed the meeting at 17h20.		
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C Loots		C Brown	
Chairperson	Chief Executive Officer		