



Association of Professional Heritage Practitioners

**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
20 JANUARY 2020**

at 12:30 at 38 Wale Street Chambers, Wale Street, Cape Town

PRESENT: Emmylou Bailey (EB), Claire Abrahamse (CA), Jenna Lavin (JL), Louise van Riet (LvR) and

Via Whatsapp call: Gavin McLachlan

APOLOGIES: Ursula Rigby (UR)

Secretary: Muneerah Karriem (MK)

1. Opening and welcome

JL welcomed ExCo members and noted Wouter Fourie's resignation from ExCo due to work commitments. ExCo agreed to brainstorm possible nominations to be co-opted onto ExCo to replace Wouter and report back at the next meeting.

2. Attendance

Recorded as per minutes.

3. Apologies

UR tendered her apologies.

4. Approval of Agenda

It was agreed to approve the Agenda.

5. Approval of previous minutes

The minutes of previous meeting held on 25 November 2019 was approved.

6. Matters to be addressed

JL noted that matters to be addressed at this meeting included:

- (1) 2019/2020 project: Development of position paper on how to address issues of social significance as part of best practices approaches in the heritage sector
- (2) New Year Event on Intangible Heritage
- (3) Accreditation Matters
- (4) PPDF Meeting
- (5) Interaction with Authorities (COCT, HWC and SAHRA)
- (6) Anson Square Workshop
- (7) APHP Infograph
- (8) Revisions to Ethical guidelines and disciplinary process and code of conduct
- (9) Professional Development and Professionalisation Engagement

6.1 2019/2020 project: Development of position paper on how to address issues of social significance as part of best practices approach in the heritage sector

- ExCo agreed to resend the position paper and interim report to the membership noting a **2nd February 2020** deadline for comments.
- ExCo further agreed to its wide circulation to interested parties such as: SABTACO, SAHRA, HWC, and all PHRAs, after its circulation to the membership and upload to APHP's website.

6.2 New Year Event on Intangible Heritage

- ExCo noted the date change from the 22nd to the 29th January 2020 due to an APES+ event taking place on the same day, as well as the 29th January clash but agreed to go ahead with the said event anyway.
- EB informed ExCo that Deirdre Prins-Solani agreed to present a talk, and that Maurietta Stewart declined due to prior commitments.
- ExCo also noted Maurietta Stewart's suggestion that EB approach Wendy Wilson instead, and of Wendy Wilson's acceptance to present a talk.
- ExCo agreed not to pursue the photographic display of Paul Weinberg at the event.
- **EB** agreed to forward the blurbs of the speakers to CA for inclusion on the event invite.
- ExCo noted the possible unavailability of both the CiFA boardroom and Granary as a venue and opted to rather utilise the SAAO Observatory instead.
- **EB** agreed to do the necessary liaison and approach the same caterer that did the catering for APHP's conference.

6.3 Accreditation Matters

- **EB** agreed to email Janine Loubser the list of Candidate members' email addresses in order for her to contact them and liaise regarding the appointment of a representative from amongst them to sit in on ExCo meetings.
- ExCo agreed to ratify Gordon Metz accredited membership recommendation by Acc Comm.
- ExCo noted that Joy Campkin-Smith's letter informing her of Acc Comm's and ExCo's reservations in awarding her full accreditation just yet has been sent.
- ExCo agreed to ratify Chamisamoyo Pirerenyatwa and Gillian Chirekema Associate membership recommendation by Acc Comm.
- ExCo noted Acc Comm's reservations about awarding accredited, even that of candidate membership to Marguerite Pienaar without first establishing whether she plans to work within heritage and/or get the necessary experience of working with the NHRA.

6.4 PPDF Meeting

- ExCo agreed to park the idea of approaching Richard Summers and Jan Glazewski for a legal opinion on where best Heritage would fit; DCAS or DEA&DP.
- ExCo noted the agreed upon observer role APHP played at the 3rd December 2019 meeting and await confirmation of the next meeting due to take place presumably sometime in February 2020.
- ExCo further noted the controversial Economic War Room letter Gerhard Gerber authored and his confirmation that there will be an update on it.
- **JL** confirmed that the letter had been forwarded to the membership on 4th December 2019 and will contact Gerhard Gerber regarding the promised update.
- ExCo agreed to wait and decide what course of action to take after its receipt.

6.5 Interaction with Heritage Authorities/Institutions

- **LvR** agreed to draft the minutes of the HWC meeting on 6 December 2019 and to forward it to ExCo for input, and thereafter to HWC for comment before sending it to the membership.
- GM reported that Bryan Wintermeyer agreed to attend ECPHRA meetings with him and will let ExCo know as soon as a date has been set.
- **LvR** agreed to assist by formulating a set of questions in terms of application and processes, particularly around section 34 applications that GM and Bryan Wintermeyer could use at their meeting with ECPHRA.
- ExCo noted the extensive workload of UR and JL's offer of assistance, possibly taking over from UR, should UR be unable to attend COCT, SAHRA and HWC meetings.
- ExCo noted CA's request that the issue of archival access to COCT's building plans dated prior to 1940 be reinstated as an item on COCT's meeting Agenda and EB's request for Professionalisation to be added to the HWC meeting Agenda.

6.6 Anson Square Workshop

- **CA** confirmed that the practice guideline document will be ready by the end of the month.

6.7 Infograph

- **EB** agreed to forward CA a higher raised version of the logo for her to incorporate onto the infograph.

6.8 Revisions to Ethical guidelines and disciplinary process and code of conduct

- ExCo ratified the amendments made to the above documents and agreed for it to be sent to the membership for comment.

6.9 Professional Development and Professionalisation Engagement

- It was noted that this item remains a work in progress and noted the March 2020 deadline.

7. Other Matters

7.1 Watermark for 2020/2021 membership certificates

- ExCo agreed to utilise one of the drawings of the corbelled stone hut settlements drawn by James Walton in the Volume 17 VASSA Journal dated June 2007 as a watermark for the 2020/2021 membership certificates.

7.2 APHP Roadshows in Gauteng and Eastern Cape

- **JL** agreed to contact Brendan Hart and GM for dates for a potential Roadshows within Gauteng and the Eastern Cape respectively, to be held before APHP's AGM in May.
- It was noted that the said events would be in the form of an exhibition or presentation of interesting talks around heritage involving heritage practitioners and students within the said Province.
- ExCo agreed for an ExCo member to fly down to Gauteng and Eastern Cape for the proposed events to assist Brendan and GM in promoting APHP membership amongst heritage practitioners and students over there.
- It was further agreed to print APHP's infograph into the form of pamphlets and stickers.

- **EB** and **CA** agreed to liaise regarding quotes for the printing of the above, flights to the respective Provinces and QR codes for a Snap scan on the infograph, pamphlets and stickers.

8. Date of Next Meeting

- It was agreed that the next meeting would be decided upon via email.

9. Closure

- The meeting closed at 13.45.