



Gauteng Powerlifting Federation

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MINUTES – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022

DATE: SUNDAY 13 February 2022 - 16H00 VENUE: Zoom Virtual Meeting

1. ROLL CALL AND RECEPTION OF DELEGATES

Attendees:

Cliff Hayim (Chair)
Chantelle du Toit (Vice Chair)
Heather Leighton (Secretary)
Gail McKenzie-Kerr (Interim Treasurer)

Sarel Gadney
Sasha Payne
Rodney Anthony
Carol Anthony
Megan Leighton
Mike Poxon
Matthew Mcmenamin
Firdaus Cassim

Laura de Wet Jacqui Rees Ian Furman Steve Ogunfemi

Registered but had connection problems or didn't attend:

Yaniv Lacob Antoinette Kriel Caneous Mdluli Hercules van den Berg Jonathan Kariv Dan Oppenheim

Apologies received:

<u>Clubs represented:</u> Team SGS

Barbell Bullies





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School of Strength Barbell 1610 Grand Masters Barbell Club

2. WELCOME

- a. The notice of the meeting was published on 9 January 2022
- b. The minutes of the 2021 AGM were proposed, seconded and accepted without comment.
- c. Reports from Executive Committee:

After Heather resolving some connection issues, Cliff welcomed all present and explained proceedings for the meeting.

Heather presented reports and statistics based on 2021 (attached)

Heather mentioned that all powerlifting activities had been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic at Provincial, National and International level since the last AGM.

3. <u>DEALING WITH SPECIAL NOTICES IF APPLICABLE</u>

Not applicable

4. REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR

The Income and Expense schedule as at 31 December 2021 was presented (Attached). These were produced by Gail, who assisted in this process, while the Treasurer position remains vacant.

Cliff went through and presented the Profit and Loss together with the Balance Sheet items

Cliff highlighted the amounts owing by National Federation to the Gauteng Federation.

It was stated that Gauteng would make a contribution towards Christie Rees's participation at upcoming World Games.

It was stated that Gauteng would invest in a set of lights for future competitions.

It was stated that we would look to assisting club coaches in a contribution towards 'Safeguarding' costs, which at some point were going to be introduced in the provincial structures.

It was requested from Sarel that it should be discussed at National AGM, how we could attempt to fund international lifters moving forward.

Steve raised the issue of approaching the private sector for funding.

5. GAUTENG PROVINCE AND BOARD PROCEDURES

a. Representation to SA Powerlifting Federation ExCo

Heather Leighton – Vice President of African Powerlifting Federation and Vice President (International) of SAPF
Gail McKenzie-Kerr – SAPF Treasurer and SRSA Development liaison
Cliff Hayim – Secretary General of SAPF

Other office bearers from Gauteng:
Media Officer – Megan Leighton
Selection Committee members – Cliff Hayim, Dan Oppenheim, Megan Leighton
Webmaster – Cliff Hayim

The meeting was reminded that the SAPF AGM has been scheduled for 6pm on Wednesday 23 March 2022 in Fochville, and that it is a voting year. It was requested that members put forward their proposals of any nominations to elected SAPF positions

b. Constitution

In final stages of being concluded, and that Gauteng will follow the National Constitution in all respects moving forward

c. SAPF funding

Discussion on Gauteng financial assistance to National Federation, as a result of funds not being released from Department of Sports. Cliff stated that approx. 75% of our funds are tied up in SAPF.

He reinforced that Gauteng would continue to assist SAPF financially, until such time as they are able to be self-funded.

d. Equipment and Attire

The rotating set of equipment (belonging to SAPF) was discussed and agreed that for 2022 it will rotate between 1610 and Barbell Bullies, based on the two provincials held in Feb 2022.

e. Regional Assets

f. Affiliation fees

No change to Gauteng Club affiliation fees. Remains at R400 per Club. Cliff reminded clubs to affiliate before end March 2022, and that vote count for 2023 is based on 2022 club affiliations as at 31 March 2021. Gauteng also introduced application process for new clubs wanting to affiliate, to as to ensure affiliation of legitimate clubs only. A range of criteria would be used in the vetting process of new applications.

The meeting was reminded that as well as lifters, all Club representatives and referees also need to be affiliated each year.

g. Affiliated members

Gauteng had a total of 206 affiliated members in 2021, compared with 86 in 2020 and 219 in 2019. Numbers were severely affected by COVID-19.

SAPF and Gauteng Membership counts

	Gauteng	SAPF
2019	219	307
2020	86	119
2021	206	317
2022 (so far)	206	366

Referee Category	Gauteng	SAPF
Club	16	23
Provincial	10	15
National	6	17
International Cat II	3	7
International Cat I	7	16

h. Provincial Colours

Cliff thanked Sasha for her assistance with the latest Gauteng colours applications, which have been submitted for approval. Gauteng was trying to get approval prior to the National Championships, in order so lifters could wear their shirts and tracksuits at these championships.

Cliff requested coaches and members to inform exco of lifters who have qualified for colours, just to avoid administrative errors in the application process.

i. Regional Colours

Colours awarded in 2021

Colours awarded	Number
Gauteng Colours	53
Junior Protea colours	11
Senior Protea colours	9

j. Championships

a. National Championships

Dates for the SA Championships form 2023 to be discussed and finalised at the SAPF AGM.

Heather shared the calendar for the remainder of 2022.

b. Provincial Championships

No bids received for 2023 as yet. Closing date for these to be 1 week prior to SAPF AGM. SOS expressed interest in hosting Classic Provincial Championships Barbell Bullies expressed interest in hosting Bench Press Provincials. 1610 are undecided thus far

SOS said they would put in a proposal to try and boost equipped powerlifting in the province

1610 proposed dates of classic to be brought into the previous year, as January was too early. It was agreed no decisions on this would be made until the 2023 National calendar was agreed

Championships	Number of entries
Gauteng Classic Bench Press	39
Gauteng Equipped Bench Press	6
Gauteng Classic Powerlifting	165
Gautena Equipped Powerlifting	8

c. Club Competitions

Clubs are encouraged to plan club competitions for inclusion on the schedule. Cliff supported that as many of these competitions be held as possible. Cliff stated these competitions are imperative in growing our sport.

d. Selection criteria, qualifying standards and record standards

Cliff reminded coaches and members where to find the qualification standards

e. Referees

Cliff explained the new Club referee certification, and that referees will be overseen by Andre Ludik going forward, to ensure that they remain active and are available for competitions.

Cliff spoke of the success of the recent introduction of Club Referees, and the positive impact on the sport

6. ELECTION OF NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

No nominations received, As such the Executive will remain unchanged. It was stated that we still have a vacancy for a Treasurer, as Gail was only assisting to fill the gap until such time as the position is filled. Ian Furman proposed Michele Townsend would make herself available to be co-opted into the position. He would furnish us with further details on this.

7. 2022 YEAR PROGRAM OF EVENTS

The updated schedule of Gauteng, National and International powerlifting competitions is attached.

Heather reported that the International events currently on the schedule are still subject to change depending on the prevailing COVID-19 situation.

- The Arnold Classic Africa was discussed
- World Classics at Sun City
- The African Powerlifting and Bench Press Championships awaiting finalisation of a host

8. GENERAL

- a. Steve complimented the Gauteng Champs organisers (1610 and Barbell Bullies) on their professionalism and overall success in the hosting of these Championships
- b. Heather introduced 'Safeguarding', what this all means, what will be required and how it all works
- c. Cliff thanked Heather for help in running the scoring and table at these championships

9. CLOSING

Cliff closed the meeting at 17h31.

Attachments:

- 1. Financial Statements
- 2. 2022 Powerlifting Schedule