



# NIRAC

P.O Box 81095 Windhoek Namibia



Minutes NIRAC AGM – 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2013 at the Bowls Club ,Eros Windhoek

1. **Opening:** Opening of first AGM of NIRAC done by André Theart at 17:15 ,23<sup>rd</sup> May 2013
2. **Welcoming:** André welcomes everybody present, thanking them for taking time and driving far to attend this first AGM.
3. **Attendance list:** Attendance list were circulated for record purpose and to determine amount of voters.
4. **Apologies:** No apologies received.
5. **Congratulations:** None
6. **Correspondence:** Three letters from Mr. Amadhila (Trade and Industry Ozone Office) were read and acknowledged.
7. **Reports:** No reports from President and treasurer were read.
8. **Financial Statements:** None presented at this stage.
9. **Matters of discussion:** Short discussions were held on the following Issues.
  - a) HCFC imports- André gave the projections and tonnage up to 2030 to the members as information, discussion then follows on the usage. Tom raise the question if this will be enouge,André said that survey is conducted for the quantity in the fishing industry, Thomas Amadhila comment that Ozone office is busy looking into the amount of gas and that might be extended for marine use only not influencing the current quota.
  - b) Gas certification for technical personnel, André ask for comments on the certification of refrigeration personel.All an all this were well received and it was decided that such courses will be done by NIRAC in the near future.
  - c) Technician training were discussed and Tom said that companies must invest more in proper training for technicians, all agreed.
  - d) Discussion follow around South African contracting companies in Namibia, Nirac will try to get to the Consulting Engineers to try and minimize or eliminate this practice.
  - e) The issue of membership status were discussed briefly; some members feel that they qualify for Fellow status; however the constitution requires members to be part of NIRAC for 5 Years and longer.
  - f) A discussion around advertisement and the Web Page follow, Members were made cautious of the website, use thereof and advertisements.
10. **Committee Election:**

Office Bearers for the Year 2013/2014 elected by close ballot.

President: Tom Zwar



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Vice President: André Theart

Treasurer: Eddie Graham

Secretary: Heinrich Mohrman

Ordinary Member: Gerald Horsthemke

Ordinary Member: Dieter Witulski

11. As newly elected President Tom thank André for the work done to now, thanking Thomas from the ozone office for attending and his positive outlook towards the refrigeration industry inviting him to future meetings as representative.
12. Meeting adjourned at 19:20