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Minutes of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held on 15 November 2025 commencing at 10h00 and held at ***Kloofendal Nature Reserve - 38 Zircon St, Kloofendal, Roodepoort, 1709***.

Warren opened and thanked Friends of Kloofendal for the use of the venue. Karin from Friends of Kloofendal gave a small presentation on the reserve.

1. PRESENT

43 members present, including committee.

2. APOLOGIES

Jane Brusch
Britta Zawada
Herman Van Rensburg (P)
Tony Bridger (P)
Kevin Smith (P)
Rob Rose Wilson
Penny Hoskin (P)
Frank and Gail Reuvers
Richard Turnbull (P)
Ester Appleyard (P)
Lance & Carol Celliers
Anne Nicholson
Alison Moolman
Alma Le Roux
Wendy Kenyon
Hayley & Robbie Young
Johan & Ingrid Kleynhans

3. NOTICE OF THE MEETING

The notice of the meeting having been given in the prescribed manner and there being a quorum present, the meeting was declared duly constituted.
4. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The minutes of the previous AGM, held on 16 November 2024 were confirmed as a correct representation of the proceedings. A motion to confirm the minutes was proposed by John Livock and seconded by Lindy Coombe-Heath.

5. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Bruce Allen tabled chairman's report.

- Everyone was welcomed and thanked for taking the time to join on the morning.
- Thanked the committee.
- Remembrance of members who passed during the year – Nigel, Reimo and Tobias.
- Thanks to all members for hard work and time over the past year.
- Mentioned the recognition from Parks Board and the public in the park.
- Thanked Debbi for all hard work on Website and Facebook.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT

Lampies Lamprecht tabled the finance report. The audit of the financials was conducted by Lloyd Viljoen and Associates.

- Lloyd Viljoen and Associates were officially thanked for once again providing their services, almost paperless, and free of charge to FOPS.
- Lloyd Viljoen and Associates were adopted unanimously as auditors for the coming year.
- Key income and Expenses for 2025:
    - Clothing sales R 14,760. No mark-up is placed on the clothing.
    - Membership income R 53,575
    - Tent income increased by R 20,000
    - Donations. R 15,000
    - Camp costs R 84,000. Mostly due to the fence
    - Donations made by FOPS R 400
    - Equipment Maintenance increased by R 3,300
    - Project Expenses down by R 54,000
    - Function expenses decreased by R 6,000.
    - Overall income R 237,000.
- Overall shortfall thus R 14,900
- Total cash on hand: R 344,661
- DA asked about camp expenses prior to 2023, averaged R 15,000 – R 20,000 since 2023 is has been R 300,000 due to fire and fence.
- Finances proposed Ken Lovland seconded Kerry-Ann Hare.
- Finances accepted by all at AGM.

7. WORK PARTIES: PILANESBERG

Roland White presented the Work Party Report.

This report covers the period January to November 2025

Thanked all members – committee and then members for their hard work.

Total of 3341 Man hours down 42% from 2024. Iron Age is not a safe space anymore, This can be accredited to the drop in man hours as Selley Park are no longer able to work there. Cost to repair fence is out of reach for FOPS. Drop in members at work party can be attributed to the Potokwane fence as well as the economic situation in the country.
48% of our time this past year has ben at Potokwane to get fence working, unfortunately unavoidable but affected all other projects that we normally do.
Been involved in a Pilanesberg revival project requested by Parks Board. This year we worked on fixing up all the toilets in the park.
Request from Karen (Friends of Kloofendal) to assist with Kloofendal. Looking at doing a special work party in the reserve.

8. SPECIAL PROJECTS:

- Ruighoek Hide rebuild.
    - Water levels are still a problem for us as it is not safe to work this closer to the waters edge, still await dry season. An outlook has been built for interim viewing of the dam.
- Rathlogo.
    - Fencing to be done and structural on hide so this may be a project we need to focus on in 2026.

In conclusion, Roland White announced that he is stepping down from Work Party Coordinator. Thanked the committee. Requested that support is given to new Work Party coordinator and extend the same courtesy.

9. ELECTION OF VACANT COMMITTEE MEMBERS & SECONDS FOR VACANT COMMITTEE POSITIONS

- Work Party Leader – Nominations received for:
    - Pieter Swanepoel – Unopposed.
- Work Party Coordinator 2IC – Nominations received for:
    - Ken Loveland – 20 votes received – New 2IC
    - Roland White – 17 votes received

There were no opposition or alternative elections.
Bruce thanked Roland for all his work. Pieter thanked Roland and presented him with a gift.

10. GENERAL

- Andre Kleinhans questioned if doing the parks work gives them license to drop the ball. Roland addressed this and mentioned that the mandate being extended is a natural progression, however necessary. The point is taken into account.
- Candace questioned regarding assisting with maintenance of tar roads. Bruce Allen mentioned our involvement a few years back, we will assist if asked to.
- Mark Hoskin thanked the committee and recognized all the work that goes into running FOPS.
- Lindy mentioned Remco is Firearm qualified and does not have a call sign or radio. BA mentioned that it will be addressed. We will be getting additional radios and a call sign will be allocated.

Certified a correct record of the proceedings:

CHAIRMAN

DATE