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Minutes for the Annual General Meeting on 16 September at Digteby Estate, Stellenbosch

1. Welcoming

The meeting was chaired by Marietjie Ueckermann who welcomed all who attended.

2. Attendance

The following people attended the meeting: Marietjie Ueckermann, Rian Ueckermann, Bouwe van der Eems, Debbie van der Eems, Bonamy Parkin, Bianca Jackson, Jennifer Hanekom, Lizelle Rademeyer, Nadia Black, Malan Vorster, Sonja Vorster.

Nicky Wesson and Heideli Loubser retired from the committee and submitted apologies. The chair thanked them for their contributions during their tenure.

3. Approval of previous minutes

The minutes of the previous AGM were distributed before the meeting and approved during the meeting.

4. Chairperson's report

Marietjie Ueckermann read the chairperson's report for the past year. It covered the BELA Bill oral hearings, public hearings and the A-List meeting. She also gave feedback on the Western Cape JLC meetings, National Task Team meeting for regulations, Western Cape Education Council meetings, the Sports Day and the Expo.

5. Treasurer's report

Rian Ueckermann presented the treasurer's report and this report was adopted by the meeting.

6. BELA Bill

Bouwe van der Eems gave historic overview of how the education dispensation changed since apartheid until now. During apartheid, curriculum development was tightly, centrally controlled and were instrumental in promoting the political perspectives of those in power. Home education was banned, and homeschooling parents were jailed. The adoption of the SA Schools Act 1996 introduced an era where power was given to parents and home education was allowed. However since 1996 the three education minister progressively

introduced a new dispensation to transfer the values of government to the next generation. The BELA Bill puts the legislative foundation in place needed enforce a new coercive dispensation.

7. Election of Committee members for 2023-2024

The following committee members were elected for the 2023-24 period:

Chairperson: Marietjie Ueckermann (Nominated: Debbie van der Eems, Seconded: Rian Ueckermann)

Treasurer: Rian Ueckermann (Nominated: Marietjie Ueckermann, Seconded: Jennifer Hanekom)

Secretary: Bouwe van der Eems (Nominated: Debbie van der Eems, Seconded: Lizelle Rademeyer)

Member: Nadia Black (Nominated: Marietjie Ueckermann, Seconded: Debbie van der Eems)

Expo: Debbie van der Eems (Nominated: Marietjie Ueckermann, Seconded: Lizelle Rademeyer)

Sport: Lizelle Rademeyer (Nominated: Marietjie Ueckermann, Seconded: Nadia Black)

Co-opted member: Jennifer Hanekom

8. General and closing

The meeting closed at around 12h00.

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