

**NOTICE OF MEETING FOR
THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN SOCIETY OF AQUATIC SCIENTISTS
58th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
TO BE HELD on 28 July 2021 10:00 – 12:00
Virtual AGM**

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AGENDA

1 WELCOME AND OPENING

Prof Victor Wepener opened the meeting and expressed the Society's official condolences to the loss of Prof Olaf Weyl.

2 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Apologies was received and noted. Wynand Vlok, Guy Bate, Wilmien Powell, Linda Rossouw, Helen Dallas, Candice Jansen van Rensburg, Janine Adams, Marion Holmes, Matthew Burnett, Christa Thirion, Matthew Bird, Bokkie Brand.

3 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

No additions to the agenda. Victor Wepener said people can raise issues in the general session as well.

4 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the meeting from 8 July 2020 was presented.

5 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 57TH AGM

1. Social media (Twitter, Facebook) – Kaylee Beine spoke on the use of Twitter for SASAqS Society. Please follow the Twitter handle. (@SASAqS_society). Victor Wepener thanked Kaylee for her contribution
2. Conference 2021 – will be dealt later during the AGM.

6 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Victor Wepener highlighted a few things for his president's report. Will present a full report at the SASAqS Conference 2021.

1. AJAS – Gone from strength to strength. Becoming a top South African and African journal. Hopefully the impact factor will increase even more.
2. Annual Conference – been an aspect during last 18 months as we could not attend. Victor mentioned it is unfortunate that we could not hold it but luckily it has not been financially a problem.
3. Victor indicated that members have stayed members, even during the tough

times in last 18 months.

7 TREASURERS REPORT

SASAqS Financial report 2020/201 – The treasurer, Richard Greenfield, presented the financial statements of SASAqS. Financial state is fine but an effect of no conference in 2020 might still have an impact. Expenses are high and without a conference we will continually reduce our financial position.

No student travel awards in 2021 or 2022. Wait to see impact of no conference in 2020.

Membership is strong. Members join for reduced conference and publication fees. Must advertise the CPD points for SACNASP members more in future.

Victor Wepener indicated that we are a not for profit organisation and the aim is not to increase our financial position.

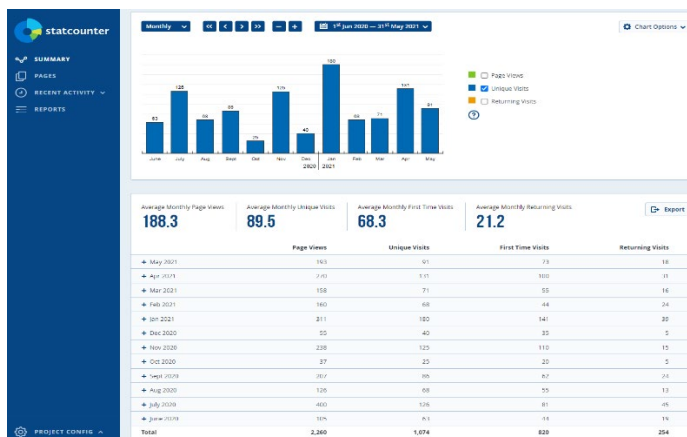
Richard Greenfield thanked Adri Joubert for all of her hard work on the financial side.

8 EDITORS REPORT

SASAqS Editors report 2020/2021 – Nick Rivers-Moore presented his editors report. Victor Wepener thanked Nick Rivers-Moore and Cate Brown for all their hard work with the journal. No questions for the editor.

9 WEB MASTERS REPORT

<http://www.riv.co.za/sasaqs> - Dr Michael Silberbauer presented the hits on the SASAqS Website. Michael requested if you have older information and photos of conferences to please submit it to him so that he can archive it on the website. Victor supported that idea.



10 COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

No country representatives. Victor Wepener encouraged people to join and increase membership in especially Namibia and Botswana.

11 STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

No student representatives.

11 CONFERENCES

2021 Conference – NWU, Potchefstroom (Virtual Conference) – Wynand Malherbe presented the plans for the online conference to be hosted in November 2022.

2022 Conference – UFS, Bloemfontein – Liesl van As will organise the conference in the Free State.

12 AWARDS

Nico Smit highlighted the awards for 2021 for the Gold and Bronze medals.

13 HONORARIA

14 BY-LAWS

15 CONSTITUTION

16 GENERAL

16.1 Executive Committee – 2021 to 2024

- New committee was selected as follows:
 - President: Richard Greenfield
 - Vice-President: Wynand Malherbe
 - Treasurer: Ryan Wasserman
 - Secretary: Tarryn Botha
 - Additional: Victor Wepener

Victor Wepener thanked and congratulate the new Executive Committee for the next term.

16.2 Any additional points raised by the meeting

17 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

18 CLOSING

Victor Wepener also thanked the outgoing Executive Committee for all their hard work and support. Victor Wepener closed the meeting and hoped that we have an in-person meeting for the AGM at the conference in 2022.