2016 THEME

Setting a theme has now become an annual institution at the Southern Branch. The theme identified, encapsulates general feedback and needs in our fraternity. This year our theme was preceded by thoughts in Our Chairman’s 2015 year end message. Could probing issues perceived as possible threats / concerns to our industry include?

- Facing a trying and competitive economic cycle during 2016 is perceived to be the general feeling of analysts in the economic sector. Are we entering a market characterised by innovations to curb costs that could impact on the need for our services? How will this impact on our profession, the sustainability thereof as well as the general property market?

- How do actions of valuers, when conducting professional acts, impact on the prolific nature of our profession in terms of providing inadequate services to customers?

Are we facing a

“BOOM OR BUST?”

Be part of the bulletin board and share your ideas and comments by e-mailing south@saiv.org.za or contacting Karen van der Vyver @ 082 453 3840
Our diary of Workshops for 2016

16 March: Workshop and AGM Old Mutual House, Constantia.

12-13 May: National AGM / Dinner / Seminar (full day) – D’Aria Wine Estate, Durbanville.

21 October: Full day seminar – venue to be communicated.

Professionalism means consistency of quality – Frank Tyger

IMPORTANT AGM NOTICE
This article will be discussed at the AGM. We urge members to familiarize themselves with the detail, as inputs from our members on this matter will be appreciated due to the importance thereof.

Changes to the number of representatives of the National Executive

Branch representation on the National Executive ("Natex") was discussed at both the May and November 2015 Natex meetings in Gauteng. This was after a drop in membership numbers in the Kwazulu Natal ("KZN") Branch resulted in their Natex representation decreasing from 3 representatives to 1 member only, in line with clause 16.2.1 and specifically clause 16.2.1.2 that stipulates “should a Branch have less than one hundred and fifty Members, that Branch shall be entitled to appoint only one member to the National Executive; and”. This was problematic at the time, as Patrick O’Connell (KZN Branch) had just been elected Vice President, and Trevor Richardson, also from KZN Branch, was doing a sterling job as Treasurer. As the Constitution does not allow two representatives from KZN, Natex decided to co-opt Trevor to the committee, to continue with his role as Treasurer. Patrick remained the “conventional” Natex representative for the KZN Branch.

Natex also decided to discuss the possible restructuring of Natex, as contained in the Constitution of the SAIV. The first proposal tabled was that the positions of President and Treasurer were to be considered separate to that of the seats per Branch, as these are two fundamentally important roles. Especially the role of Treasurer requires longevity in the position for the benefit of the organisation. It was further proposed that all five branches be represented by two representatives. This will have resulted in Natex comprising 12 seats.
This was subsequently discussed at Branch level, and feedback was provided at the November meeting. The result was that the proposal was not carried forward. Instead a new proposal was made, which will be discussed below. It is however important to note what the Constitution currently states in this regard:

16.2.1 Each Branch shall be represented by two members on the National Executive plus one additional member on the National Executive for every one hundred and fifty Members of the Branch Membership Roll as at the first day of April of each year. Provided that:-

16.2.1.1 at no time shall the number of members of the National Executive representing any one Branch exceed five;

16.2.1.2 should a Branch have less than one hundred and fifty Members, that Branch shall be entitled to appoint only one member to the National Executive; and

Some members are of the view that this is an unfair situation. Assuming a Branch has less than 150 members, they are allowed only 1 Natex member. However, the next benchmark is 300, which allows for 3 Natex members.

The following proposal was therefore made:

- Branch with 75 or less members: 1 Natex member
- Branch with 76 to 150 members: 2 Natex members
- Plus 1 additional Natex member for every 150 members over and above the first 150 members
- At no time shall the number of members of Natex representing any one Branch exceed 4 members

This will effectively result in a Branch with 300 members having 3 Natex members, and a branch 450 or more members, being restricted to 4 Natex members.

This proposal was approved by Natex on a majority vote.

Based on membership figures as at November 2015, the representation on Natex will change as follows:

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The above proposal is to be put to the vote at the National AGM in May 2016 in Cape Town.

**Although both the Southern and Northern Branches are set to lose 1 member, the Southern Branch will proportionally lose more.** It is therefore in our view imperative that members should have the opportunity to fully digest this proposed change, and that there is also a platform where this can be discussed and questions answered if necessary. **The Southern Branch AGM on 16 March 2016 is the place to do this, so please make sure you are present and have your say!**
The Branch Executive for 2015 / 2016

NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEE 2016 / 2017

We require nominations for potential committee members on the Southern branch.

Kindly forward all nominations to
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