

**MINUTES OF AN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE KOUGA BUSINESS  
FORUM HELD ON 16 MAY 2023 AT 19:00 AT THE ARTHUR FENNEL HALL –  
MARINA MARTINIQUE**

**1. Welcome:**

Dries du Preez (Chairman) welcomes the members and Bryan Dhludhlu opens with prayer.

**2. Attendance and Apologies:**

**Attendance:**

Dries du Preez (Chairman) Lieb Swiegers (Vice chair) Johannes Barnard, Wayne Furphy, Bryan Dhludhlu, Leilani Coetsee, Bernadette Swartz, Leon Steenkamp, Ruby Steenkamp, Paul Eloff, Soria Swart, Sonja Allsop, Anton Ferreira, Hannes Bekker, Johan du Preez, F Hendricks, Frank Ellis, J Comley, J Loubser.

**Apologies:**

Johan Strydom, Reinette Colesky, JR Joseph, Karen Compaan du Toit,

**Proxies:**

Charlotte van der Merwe, Herman Pieterse, Dietrich Gerber

**3. Quorum:**

Quorum for an AGM was met.

APPROVED

**4. Approval of previous minutes 2022:**

The minutes of the previous AGM of 15 May 2022 were approved; proposed by Lieb Swiegers and seconded by Johan du Preez.

APPROVED

**5. Approval of the financial statements 2022:**

Johannes Barnard discusses the Financial Statements – Soria Swart proposed approval of Financial Statements and Wayne Furphy seconded.

APPROVED

**6. Report of the Chairperson:**

Dries du Preez shared the report regarding the projects, functions, and seminars with which the KBF was involved during 2022 / 2023.

He confirmed the opening of the St Francis branch with a committee to assess and plan in St Francis. The KBF has a new website as well as an Instagram account.

He thanked the committee for all the hard work and effort with regards to all the projects and meetings. Dries also thanked Johannes Barnard for the Financial Statements.

APPROVED

**7. Discussion and approval of the proposed amendment of the Constitution**

The amendment points were discussed, and no one voted against it.

APPROVED

**8. General:**

**8.1 Information sharing**

The new elected committee will alter the application forms and add a section where new members will give consent that their details may be shared and published on any KBF media platforms.

**8.2 Gala event 2023**

The Gala evening that took place at Lombardini on 29 March 2023 was a huge success with 230 guests attending the event.

**8.3 Work in progress – Kouga Municipality**

The Executive committee is having regular meetings with the Mayor, Municipal Manager and relevant Departments of the Kouga Municipality to follow up and drive various important issues.

**8.4 Acknowledgements of KBF members**

Dries acknowledged the following members with various awards won on other platforms:

Rieg Janse van Rensburg – RED Creative Collaboration

NSRI Station 37 – Jeffreys Bay

Tops @ Spar St Francis Bay

Be Original

**9. Election of committee**

- 10 members were nominated.
- 9 members were voted in as committee members.
- Dries du Preez, Johannes Barnard, Lieb Swiegers, Anton Ferreira, Dietrich Gerber, Wayne Furphy, Charlotte van der Merwe, Bernadette Swartz, Herman Pieterse.

**10. Meeting adjourned**

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CHAIRMAN

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VICE CHAIRMAN

Date: .....