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Office of the Editor-In-Chief (E-I-C)

Annual Report of the Editor-In-Chief, Mr Tshidiso Ntshabele FOR PRESENTATION AT THE 2024 SAACHS AGM (09/01/2024) (For the period JANUARY 2023 - DECEMBER 2023)

1. Background

The current office of the Editor-In-Chief commenced its mandate on the 8th of January 2023, post the meeting that was held at the 42nd Annual General Meeting of the South African Association of Campus Health Services, at the Lagoon Beach Hotel in the Western Cape. The meeting also took a resolution that the current National Executive Committee (NEC) be retained unopposed, for the continuation of the organizational processes, as the past few years' activities were disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This resolution is in line with Section 16 of the Constitution of the SAACHS (S16.1 – NEC members shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting).

The Committee, as guided by Section 15 of the Constitution, comprises of the following office bearers:

- Chairperson- Ms Molimi Geya
- Dr Matsontso Mathebula Deputy Chair
- Secretary- Ms Mahlodi Maphakela
- Deputy Secretary- Mr Mxolelwa Mtetwa
- Treasurer- Dr Anna Sefolosha

Editor in Chief- Mr Tshidiso Ntshabele

2. General

There is improved collaboration and communication between the NEC and the Regional structures. As an example, the Gauteng region hosted the International Nurses Day event earlier in the year, and material support was provided for the event, with the help of our stakeholders such as HigherHealth. This is also one of the resolutions taken at the previous (2023) AGM, that the NEC will support regions, where possible.

3. The SAACHS Website and Publication of Events

The new SAACHS website (saachs.org.za) has gone live and is interactive. Members are now able to access content such as Conference information, speakers, programme, etc.

The main concern is that members do not frequent and visit the website, and this is where information is mostly uploaded. Members are thus encouraged to interact with the website.

It was again discussed in the last AGM (2023) that regions and institutions will forward relevant SAACHS and Campus Health-related content and activities to the office, for publication in the respective website pages. This year, there is an improvement in that a few institutions/regions submitted materials for publication. The Office will further engage colleagues on the proposed procedure for sending material for publication.

4. SAACHS Structural Alignment

For consistency, the Terms of Reference (ToR's) were developed for SAACHS regional meetings Agenda and Minutes, for alignment with the NEC reporting procedure.

There also need to be an improvement in collaboration between the Office/NEC and regions going forward.

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