



Minutes of the third Annual General Meeting of the Simbra Society, held at Afridome, Parys and on Zoom on 8 March 2024, at 10:00

/ Notule van die derde Algemene Jaarvergadering van die Simbra Genootskap te Afridome, Parys en per Zoom 8 Maart 2024 om 10:00

The meeting was chaired by Mr. Tito Vorster, President of the Simbra Cattle Breeders' Society. / Die voorsitter van die vergadering was Mnr. Tito Vorster, President van die Simbra Bees Telers' Genootskap.

1. Opening and Welcome / Opening en Verwelkoming.

Mr. Thys Meyer opened the meeting with prayer. / Mnr. Thys Meyer het dit vergadering geopen met gebed.

2. Constitution and Attendance Register / Konstituering en Bywoningsregister.

Present/Teenwoordig:

Mnr. Thys Meyer, Mnr. Pieter Meyer, Mnr. Hendrik Grobbelaar, Mnr. Gerrit Viljoen, Mnr. Chris Richter, Mnr. Danie van Vuuren, Mnr. Willie Lubbe, Mnr. Kobie Domain, Mnr. Kobus Bester, Mnr. Tito Vorster, Mnr. Jaco Maré, Mnr. Fanie Maré, Mjv. Jody Young, Mjv. Charné Visser

Zoom:

Mnr. Marius Pogieter, Errie, Mnr. Willem Fourie, Mnr. Neil Pretorius, Mnr. Bayer Olivier, Mnr. Riaan van Zyl, Mnr. Byron Watson, Mnr. Richard Venema, Mnr. Colin Fletcher, Mnr. Christiaan Bouwer, Mnr. Johannes Jordaan, Mnr. Wolfard Aring, Mnr. Gary Fletcher, Mev. Maraldie Steenkamp, Mnr. Jacques du Preez, Mnr. Andre de Waal, Mev. Christine Botha (JBH), Mnr. Jaco Meyer, Mnr. Lourens Muller, Mev. Dagmar Wilckens

It was confirmed that a quorum was present. / Dit was bevestig dat 'n kworum teenwoordig was.

3. Apologies received for absence / Verskonings ontvang vir afwesigheid.

Apologies/Verskonings:

Mnr. Diethelm Metzger, Mnr. Andre van Wyk, Mnr. Lwelleyn Angus, Mev. Minnette van Niekerk, Mnr. Brink Grobbelaar

4. Tribute to Deceased members / Eerbetoning aan afgestorwe lede.

None. / Geen.

5. Protocols for the meeting / Orde reëlings vir die vergadering:

a. No additional agenda points were received for the meeting. As per the Constitution of the Society only matters listed in this Agenda can be discussed at this meeting. Geen bykomende agendepunte was ontvang vir die vergadering nie. In terme van die Konstitusie van die Genootskap kan geen punte wat nie op hierdie Agenda is nie bespreek word nie.



b. Members will also attend the meeting via an online platform. They can participate by posting requests via the platform and will be afforded the opportunity to participate. Members attending in person that wish to raise a point must wait until they are acknowledged by the Chairperson and use the roaming microphone so that both the people present and those online can hear what they are saying. Lede kan ook die vergadering via 'n aanlyn platform bywoon. Hulle kan deelneem aan die vergadering deur 'n boodskap in te tik en sal dan 'n spreekbeurt gegee word. Lede wat fisies teenwoordig is by die vergadering en 'n spreekbeurt wil hê moet wag totdat hulle erken word deur die Voorsitter en hulle 'n mikrofoon gegee word, sodat beide die lede teenwoordig en die lede wat aanlyn is, hulle kan hoor.

6. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting. / Goedkeuring van die Notule van die vorige Algemene Jaarvergadering.

Mr. Willie Lubbe proposed the approval of the previous meetings' Minutes. / Mnr. Willie Lubbe het die goedkeuring van die vorige vergadering se notule voorgestel.

Mr. Chris Richter seconded the proposal. / Mnr. Chris Richter het gesekundant.

The chair of the meeting was handed over to Mr. Kobus Bester while Mr. Tito Vorster provided the president's address. / Die voorsitter van die vergadering is aan Mnr. Kobus Bester oorhandig terwyl Mnr. Tito Vorster die presidentstoespraak gelewer het.

7. President's Address / Presidentsrede (Tito Vorster)

Mr. Tito Vorster started his address by applauding the comradery of the breeders and their efforts to continually improve the product that they are producing. He addressed the council, breed director, regional clubs and breeders' efforts and contributions to Simbra's success. He also celebrated the crowning of Mr. Obakeng Mfikwe and Mr. Riaan van Zyl's male and female animals as world champions. Mr. Vorster noted that the Strategic Plan has been adapted to place more focus on the phenotype. The plans for 2024 include the entrenchment of a bottom-up approach to meet the needs of the members, breeding an animal that will have an impact in the marketplace, rolling out a new marketing plan, and creating more clubs to promote the breed. There were no questions in relation to the President's Address.

/ Mnr. Tito Vorster het sy toespraak begin deur die kameraadskap van die telers te loof en hul pogings om voortdurend die produk wat hulle produseer te verbeter. Hy het die raad, rasdirekteur, streekklubs en telers se pogings en bydraes tot Simbra se sukses toegesprek. Hy het ook die bekroning van Mnr. Obakeng Mfikwe en Mnr. Riaan van Zyl se manlike en vroulike diere as wêreldkampioene gevier. Hy het verder opgemerk dat die Strategiese Plan aangepas is om meer fokus op die fenotipe te plaas. Die planne vir 2024 sluit in die verskansing van 'n onder-na-bo-benadering om die behoeftes van die lede te voorsien, die teel van 'n dier wat 'n impak in die mark sal hê, die uitrol van 'n nuwe bemarkingsplan, en die skepping van meer klubs om die ras te bevorder. Daar was geen vrae in verband met die Presidentsrede nie.

8. Breed Director's Report / Rasdirekteursverslag (Mr. Kobus Bester)

Mr. Kobus Bester presented the key statistics of the 2023 calendar and financial year, leading into the current breed statistics.



Mr. Bester mentioned that the decline in animal numbers could be due to eight new members that do not yet have animals on the system, as well as outstanding inspections and sires that have yet to be genotyped - both of which are preventing animals from reflecting on the system. The current drought in Namibia was also foreseen to have an impact on the number of cancelled animals in the coming year. Mr. Bester went on to emphasise that stud breeding is all about data recording and analysis. Thus, he implores the members, especially newer members, to reach out to the office staff if they would like assistance with their data submission. By this there is aspiration to equip members to confidently capture and submit data. Further, a need has been identified (through member requests) to offer on-farm training to better equip members in their understanding of the phenotypic characteristics of the Simbra breed. Mr. Bester kindly requested that any interested members reach out and take up the offer. Mr. Bester brought up the 2023 auction statistics and noted that of the 516 bulls that were put on offer, 421 were sold. The average bull price was R65,816. Mr. Bester brought attention to the difference between bulls offered and bulls sold, highlighting that the difference was likely due to quality. Therefore, it must be ensured that the product placed in the market meets both the market expectations and Simbra's standards.

There were no questions for Mr. Bester in relation to the Breed Director's Report.

/ Mnr. Kobus Bester het die sleutel statistiek van die 2023 kalender en finansiële jaar voorgele, tot in met die huidige rasstatistiek.

Mnr. Bester het genoem dat die afname in dieregetalle te wyte kan wees aan agt nuwe lede wat nog nie diere op die stelsel het nie, asook uitstaande keurings en vaars wat nog nie SNP genotipeerd is nie - albei verhoed dat diere op die stelsel reflekteer. Die huidige droogte in Namibia was ook voorgespel om 'n impak op die hoeveelheid diere wat gekanselleer word te he in die komende jaar. Mnr. Bester het verder beklemtoon dat stoetteling oor data-aantekening en -ontleding gaan. Hy doen dus 'n beroep op die lede, veral nuwe lede, om uit te reik na die kantoorpersoneel as hulle hulp nodig met hul data-indiening. Daardeur is daar aspirasie om lede toe te rus om met selfvertroue data vas te lê en in te dien. Verder is 'n behoefte geïdentifiseer (deur ledeversoeke) om opleiding op die plaas aan te bied om lede beter toe te rus in hul begrip van die fenotipiese eienskappe van die Simbra-ras. Mnr. Bester versoek vriendelik dat enige belangstellende lede uitreik en die aanbod aanvaar. Mnr. Bester het toe die 2023 veilings statistiek opgebring en 'n nota gemaak dat uit die 516 bulle wat aangebied was, was 421 verkoop. Die algemene bul prys was R65,816. Mnr. Bester het aandag gevestig op die verskil tussen bulle aangebied en bulle verkoop, en beklemtoon dat die verskil waarskynlik te wyte was aan kwaliteit. Daarom moet dit verseker word dat die produk wat in die mark geplaas word aan beide die markverwagtinge en Simbra se standaard voldoen.

Daar was geen vrae vir Mnr. Bester in verband met die Rasdirekteursverslag nie.

9. Marketing feedback/Bemakingsterugvoer.

Mr. Timothy du Plessis, from BrandNew SA, presented a proposed rebranding plan for the Simbra breed, compiled after consultation with various role-players, including the marketing committee and council members.

After noting keywords from discussions with marketing committee and council members, and considering a brand identity and various brand archetypes, the tagline (empowering statement) that the BrandNew SA team came up with for Simbra was OPTIMISE. The word "Optimise" was described to encompass not only the Simbra breed but also the society's members,



council members and office staff. Mr. du Plessis went on to describe the process by which he and his team enhanced the current Simbra logo to develop a new one that aims to encapsulate the direction that the breed is moving towards.

There were no questions for Mr. du Plessis in relation to the proposed marketing plan.

Mr. Tito Vorster closed by assuring that this was only a starting point for a rebranding, and that there are still many other aspects that need to be considered.

/ Mnr. Timothy du Plessis, van BrandNew SA, het 'n herhandelsplan vir die Simbra-ras voor gelê, wat saamgestel was na oorleg met verskeie rolspelers, insluitend die bemarkingskomitee en raadslede.

Nadat die sleutelwoorde uit gesprekke met bemarkingskomitee en raadslede opgemerk is, en 'n handelsmerkidentiteit en verskeie handelsmerk-argetipes oorweeg is, was die byskrif (bemaatigende stelling) waarmee die BrandNew SA-span vorendag vir Simbra gekom het was OPTIMISE. Die woord "Optimise" is beskryf om nie net die Simbra-ras te omvat nie, maar ook die genootskap se lede, raadslede en kantoorpersoneel. Mnr. du Plessis het voortgegaan om die proses te beskryf waardeur hy en sy span die huidige Simbra-logo verbeter het om 'n nuwe een te ontwikkel wat daarop gemik is om die rigting waarheen die ras beweeg in te kap.

Daar was geen vrae vir Mnr. du Plessis in verband met die voorgestelde bemarkingsplan nie.

Mnr. Tito Vorster het agendapunt 9 afgesluit deur te verseker dat dit slegs 'n beginpunt is vir 'n herhandelsmerk, en dat daar nog baie ander aspekte is wat oorweeg moet word.

Mr. Vorster announced that agenda points 10, 11 and 12 would be swapped around. / Mnr. Vorster het aangekondig dat agendapunte 10, 11 en 12 omgeruil gaan word.

12. Feedback regarding breed improvement matters/ Terugvoer rakende rasverbetering aangeleenthede.

Mr. Thys Meyer presented feedback on breed improvement, touching on two predominant subjects – Completeness of Performance and BGP2.

Mr. Meyer began by stating that breed improvement takes place on your farm and followed by reiterating the invitation made by Mr. Kobus Bester in his breed director's report for members to reach out if they desire on-farm training to better their understanding of the Simbra phenotypic breed standards.

Mr. Meyer continued his presentation by discussing the importance of well-formed management and contemporary groups for improved and effective completeness of performance. Large contemporary groups, with calves from several sires, indicate effective performance data. Further, he explained that it is possible for each breeder to achieve a 3.5 star rating by submitting 95% of all births with a sire and a dam, 200d (90% of submitted calves), 400d (70% of submitted calves), 600d (50% of submitted calves), MCW (90% of submitted calves), BW (90% of submitted calves), scrotal sizes (70% of submitted bull calves), and DTC (90% of submitted female calves).



Further, Mr. Meyer presented feedback on the BGP2 developments and plans. He announced that phase 2 has been approved and would be kicking off in due course. Simbra's goals for phase 2 of the project are to establish a robust genomic reference population inclusive of difficult to measure traits (i.e. feed efficiency and carcass traits), actively include and increase participation of Simbra breeding by emerging farmers and including all Simbra breeders in the SNP genotyping of Simbra breeders. Further Mr. Meyer outlined the technological impact to stem from phase 2 of the BGP for Simbra, which included single step analysis for the breed (GEBVs) and improved accuracy of our breeding values. The funding that is allocated makes provision for SNP genotyping (350, 370 and 380 profiles over 3 years), feed efficiency (average of 76 animals per year) and meat quality (33-34 samples per year). Total funds available for 3 years to the breed are R1 140 000.00. Mr. Meyer also noted that the subsidy possible for SNP genotyping through Unistel (charging R850 per SNP in 2024) will be R420 that is returned to the breeder. The subsidy receivable in year one of the project for feed intake is R2 400, year two is R2 540 and year three is R2 690. The subsidy receivable for meat quality in year one of the project is R960, year two is R1 016 and year three is R1 072.

The funding comes along with responsibilities for the Simbra breed. Firstly, we are required to bring in little over 300 SNP genotypes per year from emerging farmers. Mr. Meyer explained an example of this as ensuring that emerging farmers form part of your client base so that when bulls are sold to them, collecting DNA samples from these bulls and their offspring, to submit to the BIC for further SNP genotyping on them. No costs are incurred by the breeder in this instance for the SNP genotype testing.

Mr. Jaco Maré asked if, in the scenario described above, the bull sold to the emerging farmer needed to be SNP genotyped or only sire verified. **Mr. Thys Meyer** answered that it is better if the bull has both DNA parent verification and a SNP genotype on record.

Mr. Jaco Maré further inquired about how the DNA sample for SNP genotype testing, stemming from the emerging farmer, but submitted by the breeder, would be distinguished as coming from an emerging farmer. **Mr. Thys Meyer** answered that one clearly indicates that the hair sample comes from an emerging farmer and once received it will be labelled as such, subsequently it will be 100% subsidized.

The second contribution required from the Society is an annual amount of R46 350 to the Capacity to be established within the LRF dry-lab in order to qualify for BGP funding. The Simbra council members approved this payable contribution.

/ Mnr. Thys Meyer het terugvoer oor rasverbetering gegee, wat twee oorheersende onderwerpe aangeraak het – “completeness of performance” en BGP2.

Mnr. Meyer het begin deur te sê dat rasverbetering op jou plaas plaasvind en gevolg deur die uitnodiging wat Mnr. Kobus Bester in sy rasdirekteur se verslag aan lede gemaak het om uit te spreek as hulle opleiding op die plaas verlang om hul begrip van die fenotiepe rasstandaarde te verbeter.

Mnr. Meyer het sy aanbieding voortgesit deur die belangrikheid van goed gevormde bestuur en kontemporêre groepe vir verbeterde en effektiewe volledigheid van prestasie te bespreek. Groot kontemporêre groepe, met kalwers van verskeie vaars, dui effektiewe prestasiedata aan. Verder het hy verduidelik dat dit vir elke teler moontlik is om 'n 3,5 ster-gradering te behaal deur 95% van alle geboortes met 'n vaar en 'n moeder, 200d (90% van ingediende kalwers), 400d (70% van ingediende kalwers),



600d in te dien. (50% van ingediende kalwers), MCW (90% van ingediende kalwers), BW (90% van ingediende kalwers), skrotumgroottes (70% van ingediende bulkalwers), en DTC (90% van ingediende vroulike kalwers).

Verder het mnr. Meyer terugvoer gegee oor die BGP2-ontwikkelings en -planne. Hy het aangekondig dat fase 2 goedgekeur is en mettertyd sal afskop. Simbra se doelwitte vir fase 2 van die projek is om 'n robuuste genomiese verwysingspopulasie te vestig wat moeilik meetbare eienskappe (d.w.s. voerdoeltreffendheid en karkaseienskappe) insluit, aktief deelname van Simbra-teling deur opkomende boere insluit en verhoog en alle Simbra-telers in die SNP insluit. genotipering van Simbra-telers. Verder het mnr. Meyer die tegnologiese impak uiteengesit wat voortspruit uit fase 2 van die BGP vir Simbra, wat enkelstap-analise vir die ras (GEBVs) en verbeterde akkuraatheid van ons teelwaardes ingesluit het. Die befondsing wat toegeken word, maak voorsiening vir SNP genotipering (350, 370 en 380 profiele oor 3 jaar), voerdoeltreffendheid (gemiddeld 76 diere per jaar) en vleiskwaliteit (33-34 monsters per jaar). Totale fondse beskikbaar vir 3 jaar vir die ras is R1 140 000.00. Mnr. Meyer het ook opgemerk dat die maontlike subsidie vir SNP genotipering deur Unistel (wat R850 per SNP in 2024 hef) R420 sal wees wat aan die teler teruggegee word. Die subsidie ontvangbaar in jaar een van die projek vir voerinnome is R2 400, jaar twee is R2 540 en jaar drie is R2 690. Die subsidie ontvangbaar vir vleiskwaliteit in jaar een van die projek is R960, jaar twee is R1 016 en jaar drie is R1 072.

Die befondsing kom saam met verantwoordelikhede vir die Simbra-ras. Eerstens word van ons verwag om bietjie meer as 300 SNP genotipes per jaar van opkomende boere in te bring. Mnr. Meyer het 'n voorbeeld hiervan verduidelik as om te verseker dat opkomende boere deel van u kliëntebasis vorm, sodat wanneer bulle aan hulle verkoop word, DNS-monsters van hierdie bulle en hul nageslag versamel word, om aan die BIC voor te lê vir verdere SNP genotipering op hulle. Geen koste word in hierdie geval deur die teler aangegaan vir die SNP genotipe toetsing nie.

Mnr. Jaco Maré het gevra of, in die scenario hierbo beskryf, die bul wat aan die opkomende boer verkoop is, SNP-genotipeer of slegs vaar geverifieer moet word. **Mnr. Thys Meyer** het geantwoord dat dit beter is as die bul beide DNA-ouerverifikasie en 'n SNP-genotipe op rekord het.

Mnr. Jaco Maré het verder navraag gedoen oor hoe die DNS-monster vir SNP genotipetoetsing, afkomstig van die opkomende boer, maar wat deur die teler ingedien is, onderskei sal word as afkomstig van 'n opkomende boer. **Mnr. Thys Meyer** het geantwoord dat 'n mens duidelik aandui dat die haarmonster van 'n opkomende boer afkomstig is en sodra dit ontvang is, sal dit as sodanig gemerk word, daarna sal dit 100% gesubsidieer word.

Die tweede bydrae wat van die Genootskap vereis word, is 'n jaarlikse bedrag van R46 350 tot die Kapasiteit wat binne die LRF-droëlaboratorium gevestig moet word om vir BGP-befondsing te kwalifiseer. Die Simbra raadslede het hierdie betaalbare bydrae goedgekeur.

11. Appointment of Auditor/Aanstelling van ouditeur.

Mr. Tito Vorster put forward the request to extend the terms of service of the current auditors used by the Society. / Mnr. Tito Vorster het versoek dat die dienstermyn van die huidige ouditeure wat deur die Genootskap gebruik word, te verleng.

Proposer: Mr. Hendrik Grobbelaar / **Voorstel:** Mnr. Hendrik Grobbelaar

Second: Mr. Willie Lubbe / **Sekondant:** Mnr. Willie Lubbe

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M.J. van Zyl; C.G. Richter; M. Meyer; B.J. Bester (Breed Director)



10. Approval of Financial Statements / Goedkeuring van Finansiële State.

Mr. Kobus Bester presented the Society's financial statements and requested the approval thereof. / Mnr. Kobus Bester het die Genootskap se finansiële state voorgelê en die goedkeuring daarvan versoek.

Proposer: Mr. Thys Meyer / **Voorstel:** Mnr. Thys Meyer

Second: Mr. Jaco Maré / **Sekondant:** Mnr. Jaco Maré

13. New matters /Nuwe sake Ondeka Simbras – Handling of genetic conditions/ Hantering van genetiese toestande:

Request to consider:

Proposal 1: Indicate on the website - currently Internet Solutions (via Internet Solutions and later BreedLogic) if a SNP genotyping analysis has been carried out on an animal. Indicate on the website which genetic conditions, if any, an animal is a carrier of. If an animal is to be sold by public auction, indicate the above 2 statements in the auction catalogue. Post an explanation for genetic conditions and an independent opinion by a recognized animal scientist on the specific condition as well as the Simbra Breed Improvement Committee's official view on whether the condition is desirable or undesirable on www.simbra.org and where possible with links to make it easy to obtain.

Proposal 2: That there be added to the auction rules at warranty 6 that: If a Simbra stud breeder, who is a fully paid-up member of the society, purchases a stud animal from another stud breeder and after such a purchase it is found by means of SNP genotyping that the animal is the carrier of a genetic condition listed by the BIC as undesirable, the transaction may be cancelled in accordance with the terms of warranty 6 namely that the seller may replace the animal with another animal to the satisfaction and as agreed to by the buyer, or that the transaction is cancelled and the full purchase price is returned to the buyer by the seller.

/ Voorstel 1: Dui aan op die webwerf – tans Internet Solutions (d.m.v. Internet Solutions en later BreedLogic) indien 'n SNP genotipering analise op 'n dier gedoen is. Dui aan op die webwerf van watter genetiese toestande, indien enige, 'n dier 'n draer is. Indien 'n dier per openbare veiling verkoop gaan word, dui bogenoemde 2 stellings aan in die veilingskatalogus. Plaas 'n verduideliking vir genetiese toestande en 'n onafhanklike opinie deur 'n erkende dierwetenskaplike oor die spesifieke toestand asook die Simbra rasverbeteringskomitee se amptelike siening oor of die toestand gewens of ongewens is op www.simbra.org en waar moontlik met skakels om dit maklik te bekom.

Voorstel 2: Dat daar bygevoeg word tot die veilingsreëls by waarborg 6 dat: Indien 'n Simbra stoetteler, wie 'n vol opbetaalde lid van die genootskap is, 'n stoetdier van 'n ander stoetteler aankoop en na so 'n aankoop by wyse van 'n SNP genotipering bevind word dat die dier die draer is van 'n genetiese toestand wat deur die BIC as ongewens gelys is, die transaksie gekanselleer kan word in ooreenstemming met die bepalinge van waarborg 6 naamlik dat die verkoper die dier kan vervang met 'n ander dier tot bevrediging en soos ingestem daartoe deur die koper, of dat die transaksie gekanselleer word en teruggawe van die volle koopsom aan die koper gemaak word deur die verkoper.



Mr. Kobus Bester requested votes in favour of Proposal 1. 9 people in physical attendance agreed. 1 individual on Zoom agreed by way of a “thumbs up” reaction, there were no visible disagreements on Zoom. / Mnr. Kobus Bester het stemme ten gunste van Voorstel 1 versoek. 9 mense wat fisies teenwoordig was, was dit eens. 1 individu op Zoom het by wyse van 'n "thumbs up"-reaksie ingestem, daar was geen sigbare meningsverskille oor Zoom nie.

Proposer: Mr. Jaco Maré / **Voorstel:** Mnr. Jaco Maré

Second: Mr. Willie Lubbe / **Sekondant:** Mnr. Willie Lubbe

Mr. Kobus Bester requested votes in favour of Proposal 2. / Mnr. Kobus Bester het stemme ten gunste van Voorstel 2 versoek.

Mr. Thys Meyer first asked whether the transaction described above in reference to Warranty 6 is considered to be between two stud breeders or a buyer and any seller. **Mr. Kobus Bester** answered that Warranty 6 is applicable to any person that purchase an animal at an auction. / **Mnr. Thys Meyer** het eers gevra of die transaksie wat hierbo beskryf word met verwysing na Waarborg 6, geag word tussen twee stoettelers of 'n koper en enige verkoper te wees. **Mnr. Kobus Bester** het geantwoord dat waarborg 6 van toepassing is op enige persoon wat 'n dier op 'n veiling koop.

Proposal 2 was accepted by all in physical attendance. / Voorstel 2 is deur almal in fisieke bywoning aanvaar.

Proposer: Mr. Thys Meyer / **Voorstel:** Mnr. Thys Meyer

Second: Mr. Tito Vorster / **Sekondant:** Mr. Tito Vorster

14. Election of Council / Verkiesing van Raad

a. In terms of the Constitution the council members are elected for a period of two years but may be elected for a second term of two years. / In terme van die konstitusie word raadslede vir 'n termyn van twee jaar verkies.

b. The following council members' terms end on 8 March 2023. Mr. Pieter Meyer (Re-electable). / Die volgende raadslede se termyn verstryk op 8 Maart 2023 Mnr. Pieter Meyer (Herverkiesbaar)

c. A nomination form is attached to this agenda. Nominations must be sent to the Breed Director, Mr. Kobus Bester by e-mail to kobus@simbra.org, by close of business on Friday 1st of March 2024. / 'n Nominasie vorm is aangeheg by hierdie agenda. Nominasies moet aan die Rasdirekteur, Mnr. Kobus Bester per e-pos gestuur word na kobus@simbra.org, nie later as die sluiting van besigheid op 1 Maart 2024 nie.

d. A ballot paper, indicating the names of the nominated candidates, will be send to members on Monday the 3rd of March 2024 to vote for their preferred candidate. These ballot papers must be sent to the Breed Director not later than close of business on Wednesday the 6th of March 2024. The auditors of the Society will verify the completeness and accuracy of the tabulation of the votes. / 'n Stembrief, waarin die genomineerdes aangedui is, sal aan lede gestuur word op Maandag 3 Maart 2024 om te stem vir hul voorkeur kandidaat. Die stembriewe moet terug gestuur word aan die Rasdirekteur nie later as die sluiting van besigheid op 6 Maart 2024.



e. The newly elected Council members will be announced at the AGM on the 8th of March 2024. / Die nuut verkose raadslid sal op die AJV van 8 Maart 2024 aangekondig word.

Mr. Tito Vorster was pleased to announce that two nominations were received, Mr. Pieter Meyer (who nominated himself as re-electable for council service) and Mr. André van Wyk (who also made himself available to serve on the council). Mr. André van Wyk was elected for council.

Mr. Tito Vorster congratulated Mr. André van Wyk and thanked Mr. Pieter Meyer for his service on the Simbra council. / Mnr. Tito Vorster kondig graag aan dat twee nominasies ontvang is, mnr. Pieter Meyer (wat homself as herkiesbaar vir raadsciens benoem het) en mnr. André van Wyk (wat hom ook beskikbaar gestel het om op die raad te dien). Mnr. André van Wyk is tydens die verkiesingsproses as nuwe raadslid verkies.

Mnr. Tito Vorster het mnr. André van Wyk gelukkigwens en mnr. Pieter Meyer bedank vir sy jarelange diens in die Simbra-raad.

15. Election of a President/Verkiesing van 'n President.

a. The President of the Society is elected for a term of two years. Mr. Tito Vorster was elected as president of the society at the AGM of 2023 until the 2025 AGM. / Die President van die genootskap word verkies vir 'n termyn van twee jaar. Mnr. Tito Vorster is verkies tot president tydens die 2023 AJV en sy termyn verstryk by die AJV 2025.

16. Acknowledgements / Bedankings.

17. Closure / Afsluiting.

Kobus Bester Breed Director/Rasdirekteur.



Attachment A – Summary of the President's address

Welcome to the AGM everyone.

A heartfelt thank you to the Council for their inputs throughout the previous year and a special mention to Diethelm Metzger, Vice President, for the influence he has in Namibia as well as to Thys Meyer for his work as chairman of the BIC.

To Kobus, our Breed Director, for his network throughout the meat industry. Our staff for their dedicated services and the application of their knowledge to the benefit of members and the breed. Our clubs for their dedication and promotion of our breed. Then, thank you to our members for your positivity, participation, and the exceptionally improved product you have produced.

Highlights:

- The Simmentaler and Simbra saga has been settled and justice prevailed.
- We reviewed our strategy in the review period - the actions resulting from that are clearly implemented and we will present the marketing plan to the members today.
- The society is in a financially strong position.

Our plans for 2024 are the following:

- Entrenchment of our bottom-up approach.
- Huge emphases on the roll out of our marketing plan.
- Emphases on member training within regions.
- Creation of more clubs to promote the breed as well as to stimulate camaraderie between our breeders.

Congratulations to Obakeng Mfikwe and Riaan van Zyl. What an achievement to have both a female and bull judged as world champions. Well done.

