Agenda

NTSSA BUSINESS MEETING 1 HELD AT NWU
Tuesday 27 June 2023

1. Welcome

2. Personalia

Marius J Nel has been promoted to full professor (US).

Mphumezi Hombana has been appointed as lecturer at the UP.

Nina Müller van Velden has been appointed as lecturer at the UV.

Annelie van die Bank has completed her PhD (US).

Lethabo Mellisa Molopyane has been appointed as lecturer at UJ

3. Attendance and Apologies

Present:

Apology:

4. Approval of the Minutes – BM Stellenbosch 2022
Proposal for acceptance:

5. Finalising of Agenda

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

6.1. Honorary President (6.1 xxx)

Prof Paul Decock presented a keynote address as honorary president on the 26th of June.

Nomination for Honorary President: Nominations can be submitted during the 1st business meeting with a motivation. The society will vote during the 2nd business meeting.

Note: The honorary president position does not need to be filled every year.

6.2. Updated Constitution- the 2021/22 BM changes to the constitution (6.2 xxx).

The constitution has been updated and is available on the NTSSA website (https://newtestament.org.za/about/general/constitution/).

6.3 Development / Transformation (6.3 xxx)

There was no writing workshop organised for the 2023 conference since it is not envisioned to be an annual event. It is however noteworthy that a number of those who attended the workshop last year have been accepted to present papers at this year's conference.

Twelve grants from Scholar Development Fund we awarded for the present conference to broaden participation of new scholars and post-graduate students.

It is pleasing that the representation of universities has improved for the 2023 conference.

6.4. Website and Online Membership Development (6.4 xxx)
The online voting system has been set up by Joel Brown and will be used as when the need arises.

6.5. Student Paper Prize (6.6 xxx)
Registered students who have presented their papers at the 2023 conference were invited to submit their papers to the chair two weeks after the conclusion of the conference. The chairs of the sub-groups will select the best paper. The prize money is R1500.

7. New Members (7 xxx)
Membership now stands at xxx. The list of members will be posted on the website.

8. Administrative Matters

8.1 Constitution change - Membership Fees and structure (8.1)

The changes have been implemented.

8.2. Use of surplus funds

This was discussed in the editorial board. 2016 it was decided that 80% of the surplus of Neotestamentica would go to the society. This money has been used to support people attending the conference. Other suggestions have been made e.g., bursaries and library support. An idea was proposed to sponsor masters or doctoral bursaries, but this involved logistics. More discussion is needed on this, and on accountability for this process. Some guiding principles need to be clarified as well as the process to make decisions.   The Exec is given the leeway to discuss and consult on this and to come up with proposals. The Scholar Development Fund needs a set amount each year.

9. Chairperson's Report

10. Treasurer's Report
10.1. Financial Statement 2023
10.2 Budget 2023
10.3 Other Matters

11. Reports from other Executive Office Bearers
11.1 Secretary
11.2 Media
11.3. Development Officer
11.4 Items from Exec Minutes

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NTSSA BUSINESS MEETING 2 HELD AT NWU

Thursday 29 June

12. Reports from Neotestamentica
12.1. Financial and Administrative
12.2 Editor
12.3. Chairperson of Editorial board
12.4. Items from Minutes of Editorial board

13. Reports from Subcommittees
13.1 Jesus and the Gospels

The outgoing leadership will organize a mini online conference.

13.2 Pauline Studies

13.3. Early Christian Studies

13.4. Gender and Human Sexuality

14. Future NTSSA Annual Conferences
The 2024 Conference will be held at Hugenote Kollege.

A host for the 2025 conference needs to be appointed.

14.1 Mini Virtual Conference suggestion

15. People retiring before the next conference

16. Closing

The meeting closes and participants assemble for a conference photo.