

**HVS EXCO MEETING**  
**Zevenwacht Country Inn, Cape Town, South Africa**  
**20 SEPTEMBER 2006 at 08:30 in the Board Room**

**MINUTES**

**Present:**

E Sadzik, Chair	Gautrans
L Wiman	VTI
D Jones	California
B Choubane	Florida
K Hermelin	Swedish Road Administration
D Alexander	ERDC
<i>P Loots</i>	<i>Secretary</i>

**1 Previous Meeting**

**a. Minutes of Exco and HVSIA meeting**

Ms Sadzik welcomed members to the meeting and mentioned that the Chair would be passed on to the next owner of an HVS after this meeting. All members received the ExCo minutes directly after meeting and the HVSIA minutes were distributed on CD by the CSIR.

**b. Updating of HVSIA members list**

Niclas Odermatt resigned and is replaced by Klas Hermelin representing the Swedish Road Authority.

Al Bush from US Army Corps of Engineers is going to resign soon and Don Alexander will represent the US Army Corps of Engineers.

Edel Cortez would be representative of CRREL.

**2 Acceptance of agenda for Exco and HVSIA meetings**

The draft agenda for the main meeting was discussed and accepted. Dr Jones mentioned that if time permits, he has a 20 – 30 minute presentation on Superslab. This item could fit in on the Thursday afternoon. Dr Jones will discuss this item with Mr du Plessis.

With regard to international collaboration, Dr Choubane queried that this might be discussed in the ExCo. It was agreed that the item will be kept for the main meeting.

Dr Jones said that the CAPT item on the agenda will be presented by Dr Coetzee.

Dr Jones will attempt to obtain information from W Noakes under the item “dissemination of information on the main agenda. Feedback on TRB will be given by Bouzid Choubane and Leif Wiman will give feedback on COST347. Drs Jones or Coetzee will give feedback on CAPT.

### 3 **Contribution and Communication with HVSIA members**

Ms Sadzik mentioned that feedback on initiatives is difficult to receive and needs improvement in future.

### 4 **Election of New Chairperson and Leading Agency**

The nominee for the next Chair is John Harvey from the University of California, Davis. The meeting accepted the nominee for the next Chair. The lead agency is CALTRANS for the next three years. The CALTRANS representative on HVSIA would be Nick Burmas.

### 5 **Duties of Leading Agency**

Ms Sadzik mentioned that according to the Constitution, the Chair is responsible for meeting costs which should be kept in mind. "The lead agency or Host will cover the venue costs for the meetings, preparation and distribution costs of formal minutes and the annual report."

### 6 **The Way Forward**

#### **a. New members**

Ms Sadzik received a communication from Brazil, who have an APT device, requesting to be admitted to the HVSIA. The meeting agreed that only owners of an HVS machine may be admitted as members.

The road agency who signed a contract for purchase of an HVS may be admitted to become a member of the HVSIA.

#### **b. Future Cooperation**

From the previous minutes, future cooperation included sharing of data, sharing of ideas for future HVS testing, focus on issues specific for HVS and focus on problems related to HVS and instrumentation. Dr Jones requested that collaboration on similar projects also be added to allow for direct comparison and cooperation and exchange of ideas. Dr Jones plans collaboration on deep in-situ recycling project between Caltrans and South Africa. Ms Sadzik said that the activities matrix should include future testing to give benefit in this regard. In practice, this opportunity has not yet been utilized.

### **Internal APT Organisations**

**CAPT** is a consortium for accelerated pavement testing under the auspices of the Federal High Association. Anyone can become a member and attend the meetings. The next meeting is set for 15 to 17 October 2006. The following CAPT meeting is set to be held in Florida in March/April 2007. Meetings are held twice yearly. The goals and objectives of CAPT are similar to HVSIA but are more open for members. Organisations wishing to make use of the pool funds are required to contribute financially. The CAPT Chair is Buzz Bowell

(National Centre of Technology). The Chair and co-chair (Bouzid Choubane) are from the state where the meeting takes place to allow for more networking. Nelson Gibson (FHWA) is the coordinator. A graduate student is also appointed to assist in arrangements. Stefan Romanovski takes responsibility for the minutes which are placed on the website. Dr Jones will provide the website address (link on the TRB website). Only full-scale accelerated pavement testing facility are considered by CAPT.

The next HVSIA meeting could coincide with the CAPT meeting but only at the end of August 2007 which will suite all HVSIA members. B Choubane will propose to have the next CAPT meeting at the end of August.

**COST347** (European Organisation for Accelerated Pavement Testing) is producing a final report. Details are not known at present in which format the report will be. No more meetings are envisaged. Forum of European Road Research Laboratories (FRRL) were wanting to keep this centre alive, but no details are known.

Regret was expressed that Prof Mahoney was not allowed to enter South Africa due to bureaucratic procedures by SAA.

The meeting concluded at 09:30