

# RUMed

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting  
Held on at 12:00 on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June 2022  
At Rhodes University, Council Chamber, Makhanda.**

**1. PRESENT**

Trustees: Prof. D. Sewry (Chairperson), Mr. E. Knoesen (Vice-Chairperson), Ms. G. Armstrong, Prof. R.B. Walker and Ms. J. Pillay

Principal Officer Mr. M. Arendse

MomentumTYB: Ms S. Jones

Members: As per attendance register

**2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Ms S. Smailes.

**3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes were accepted as a true reflection of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) held 8 June 2021. The minutes will be signed by the chairperson at the next BOT Meeting

**4. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

There were no issues outstanding from the previous minutes.

**5. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS**

It was confirmed that Price Waterhouse Coopers would continue to act as the auditors for the Scheme for 2022. There were no objections.

**6. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The Report of the Board of Trustees was circulated to members with the notification of the meeting and was NOTED.

Prof. Sewry highlighted the operational, administrative and membership statistics of RUMed.

Prof. Sewry informed the membership that the Scheme had gone through a routine inspection by the Council of Medical Scheme (CMS). The inspection highlighted that the Scheme is in an excellent financial standing but were required to create policies. Furthermore, the CMS directed the Scheme to separate the payment of the Schemes Principal Officer from the University and that going forward RUMed would pay for the PO.

In regard to NHI Prof. Sewry informed the members that there was no new updates to provide to members but whenever there was substantial information members would be informed by the Scheme.

**7. ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Mr. Arendse presented the Audited Financial Statements for 2021 which were included in the meeting information circulated to the members prior to the meeting.

The Scheme reserve ratio was 157.53% as at 31 December 2021. Risk contribution income for 2021 totalled R 61.7 million compared to R 59.9 million for 2020. Risk claims paid for 2021 totalled R45.5 million compared to R 41.6 million for 2020. The Net healthcare result surplus as at 31 December 2021 was R 11 342 723 compared to the surplus of R 13 328 313 as at 31 December 2020.

Mr. Arendse further advised that a full set of the financial statements were available on request from MomentumTYB.

Mr. T. Booth queried whether the Scheme had yet seen a return to surgical procedures following the decrease during COVID and Prof. Sewry confirmed that there had been a slow increase in the number of surgical cases but there had been no surge to “catch up” what had been missed.

## **8. ELECTION OF TRUSTEES**

Mr. Arendse informed all members present that during the 2022 that one member elected trustee had resigned during their term and therefore there was place for one trustee. Mr. Arendse thanked Mr. Ryno Van Rooyen for his service to the Scheme during his time as a member elected Trustee.

The Scheme had only received one nomination namely Ms. Jay Pillay and she was therefore elected onto the Board of Trustees, unopposed.

## **9. GENERAL**

Mr. John Landman raised three queries with the Scheme:

Query: How did the Scheme perceive that the 2023 contributions increase would be fair based on the current status of the economy?

Prof. Sewry confirmed that the Board would be meeting in August to discuss the 2023 contributions and the increases would likely be affected by medical inflation and the economy. Mr. Knoesen further explained that RUMed was in good financial standing and would therefore be able to take a conservative approach when considering the benefits and contributions for 2023, if implementing increases.

Query: Members were struggling in relation to payment for consumables for medical appliances such as glucometers and nebulizers and queried what the problem was?

Prof. Sewry urged any members to please phone the RUMed call centre when any such issues arose so that it can be dealt with immediately as his personal experience was that such items were paid for by the Scheme.

Query: Would the Board consider opening up more family benefits to be utilised by individuals ?

Prof. Sewry confirmed that he would take this request to the Board for discussion at the Benefits meeting in August.

Mr. R. Van Rooyen queried if on site visits could return over online consultations for members and Ms. Jones confirmed that she would set up on site visits at Rhodes.

The Meeting Ended at 11:30

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Signed  
Prof. D. Sewry