



ASAAT PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2019: MR COLIN VISSER

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This past year has brought continued economic challenges to the aviation industry.

ASAAT has gained members, as aviation service providers are getting involved in issues that affect their customers. Unfortunately we have seen organisations resigning from CAASA as they cease operation due to economic pressure.

We, as members of CAASA have endorsed the CAASA Code of Ethics, which ensures commitment from the members and mutual accountability.

At the ASAAT meeting in February 2019, the members opted to select an executive committee for the purposes of co-ordinating the matters affecting ASAAT, as it was not practical to have all the members as part of the committee. This does not mean that members are not invited to meetings, but rather that the quorum required for voting on matters at the normal meetings is reasonable, as we continue to experience a growth in membership.

I encourage all members to keep up to date with matters that affect our industry and not necessarily wait for a scheduled meeting to communicate with the office on these matters.

It is therefore imperative that all members make use of the electronic media platform that has been created by CAASA for communication and sharing of information.

There have been challenges in the area of regulatory proposals that potentially could change the profile of aviation in South Africa. This is especially evident with the SACAA new Part 146 proposal regarding Continuing Airworthiness Management Organisation (CAMO).

As members of ASAAT we have been involved in the SACAA workshops on regulatory matters affecting our clients as well as other CAASA members.

It is important that we continue to be involved in all the processes in aviation that affect other members of CAASA and the industry as a whole.

It is important to acknowledge the work accomplished by the personnel in the CAASA office in communicating the intentions of the SACAA with the members. This has given us the platform to ensure that the industry views and contributions are in turn communicated to and debated with the SACAA.

As an industry we all need to contribute to the success of these initiatives by meaningful engagement with the SACAA, through the various CAASA initiatives, on all matters that affect aviation safety.

I look forward to seeing the results of the impact that we as members make as we continue to contribute to the safety within aviation in Southern Africa.

Thank you for your continued involvement and support during the past year, as we addressed the various matters affecting our industry.

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