SAMVAL Committee Meeting Minutes
27 February 2025

Date of Meeting	27 February 2025	**Time**	08:30
Chaired by:	Vaughn Duke, Chair	**Location**	Zoom
Minutes prepared by:	Moipone Mkhize		

Present:

Vaughn Duke (Chair)	Graig Hutton	Zakaria Rashid
Hannes Bornman	Tania Marshall	Nicolaas Steenkamp
Annalie De Bruyn	Matt Mullins	Teresa Steele-Schober
Barnadine Joubert	Kelly Redman	Andrew Van Zyl

SAIMM Secretariat:

Moipone Mkhize, Camielah Jardine

Apologies:

Andy McDonald, Mark Turnbull

Topic	Discussion
1. Welcome and apologies	Vaughn Duke welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Previous minutes and action items	The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted. **Proposer:** Andrew Van Zyl **Seconder**: Annalie De Bruyn Regarding providing feedback on the proposed amendments to the SAMREC and SAMVAL codes by email by end of January 2025, it was completed. Regarding sharing the event documents and call for papers, it was completed. Regarding engaging with conference theme leaders for paper contributions, it was completed. Regarding creating a checklist of parked issues for the next meeting, it would be discussed in this meeting. Regarding sharing documents with those who request it, it was completed.
3. Parked Outstanding Issues	1.**Dealing with Rights versus Ownership in South Africa.**

	Vaughn Duke reported that on the issue of dealing with rights and issues in South Africa, a guidance note was required, and he would send an email to Rob Crowell to clarify if was it was done. **Action:** Vaughn Duke Kelly Redman expressed her concern over the removal and invisibility of valuable Guidance Notes from the website; she added that she was struggling to locate the guidance note done by Hannes Bornman. Vaughn Duke requested Gugu Charlie/Moipone Mkhize to check with Sam Moolla where regarding the Guidance note and provide feedback at the next meeting. **Action:** Gugu Charlie and Moipone Mkhize Tania Marshall indicated that the SAMVAL Guidance notes could be found under the SAMCODES section of the website, under Guidance Notes. she added that if anyone wanted to update something on the website, they should contact SSC, and Hannes Bornman should contact Sifiso Siwela to put his Guidance Note on the website. **2. A Need to Differentiate between Commodities** Vaughn Duke reported that it was covered in the code, and it should be taken out. He added that it was important to assess by-products independently and suggested that Guidance on this matter might be necessary. Kelly Redman highlighted the challenges associated with multi-commodity deposits, specifically the rights to different minerals such as platinum and chromite. **3.Internal Reporting of Valuation – Need for Compliance**. Vaughn Duke emphasised the legal obligations of companies and the potential for misuse of reports if disclaimers were not properly maintained. He added that there had to be alignment of internal reports with established codes, noting that reports intended for internal use could be used publicly. He added that he would ask the committee to discuss the discrepancies in the guidance notes at the next meeting. **Action:** Vaughn Duke Hannes Bornman stressed that it was important to adhere to Best Practices at all times. **4.Links to Risk Reporting** Vaughn duke reported that it should be taken out. He raised the issue of high risks and the necessity of capturing risk reduction in valuations. Craig Hutton provided insights from his experience, noting the challenges in defining material risks and advising against placing the burden of materiality assessment on QPs, and emphasising the importance of clear communication in valuations to allow for differing opinions. **5.Do Primary and Secondary Methods Exist?**

	Hannes Bornman reported that he would liaise with Andy Macdonald to find out what it was about. **Action:** Hannes Bornman **6.Use of Spot Price and Exchange rate** Kelly Redman reported that there was a need for transparency in valuation reports, and the implications of using spot prices in negotiations. She highlighted that there was a need to get input from Andy Macdonald regarding clarification on primary and secondary methods, suggesting that the current code already covered transparency and reasonableness, and questioning the need for further discussion on the topic. Matt Mullins cautioned that relying on current spot prices, especially in volatile markets like Germanium, could mislead investors and suggested that as long as the prices used were disclosed, informed investors could assess their reasonableness. He added that while companies could set their own prices for reserves, they must provide justification for those prices in reports to maintain investor trust. Graig Hutton Craig emphasised on the necessity for alignment between QPs and companies on the assumptions used in financial reports, asserting that he would dismiss any QP who disagrees with him.
4. General	Vaughn Duke reported on the ongoing preparations for the conference, noting that themes had been established and a call for papers was being issued, with contributions anticipated in the coming months. He added that would keep the committee informed about the progress of the conference and the call for papers. **Action:** Vaughn Duke Matt Mullins expressed optimism about the collaboration with the Australian IMM, highlighting the enthusiasm surrounding the event.
5. Next meeting	The next meeting was scheduled for 29 May at 08:30
6. Meeting closure	Hannes Bornman thanked everyone for their attendance and input. The meeting ended at 09:00

Matters arising/Action Items

Meeting Date	Action	Responsible	Due	Status	Comments
27/02/25	Send an email to Rob Crowell to clarify if Guidance note was done	Vaughn Duke	29/05/25		
27/02/25	Check with Sam Moolla where regarding the Guidance note and provide	Gugu Charlie Moipone Mkhize	29/05/25		

	feedback at the next meeting.				
27/02/25	Ask the committee to discuss the discrepancies in the Guidance Notes at the next meeting.	Vaughn Duke	29/05/25		
27/02/25	Liaise with Andy Macdonald to find out what item No 5 was about.	Hannes Bornman	29/05/25		
27/02/25	Keep the committee informed about the progress of the conference and the call for papers.	Vaughn Duke	29/05/25		