

01 December 2017

Dear NAHF Member,

Thank you for your continued support.

This report is to update you on the progress since the initial report. The NAHF is committed to inform the members of the continued work being done, please find here the report for November.

November:

- **Compensation Committee Meeting 01/11/2017**
 - The meeting was held together with DAFF and industry whereby decisions were made regarding the present stance of biosecurity on all animal production farms in South Africa.
 - The decision was to in the future refer to the committee as the Risk Mitigation and Compensation Committee.
 - A meeting was scheduled with the University of Pretoria-Faculty Veterinary Science to establish a Risk Analysis Centre.
 - The Compensation Questionnaire was discussed, and decision was to consider all the VPN's available for the Controlled Diseases. A meeting was arranged with Dr Mariëtta Bronkhorst.
- **NAHF Financial Discussion Meeting with AGRI SA 02/11/2017**
 - A meeting was held with the personnel responsible for handling the NAHF Finances.
 - A new format was deliberated, and the allocation of funds were done. The NAHF strives to provide a comprehensive report to their members.
- **Submissions of Comments received for the Draft LITS SA Policy Framework Document 03/11/2017**
 - The cut off date for submissions on comments from the LITS SA Committee was given.
 - The submissions were collated, and the Draft Document sent for final comments to the committee.
- **Mpumalanga Animal Health Forum Meeting 07/11/2017**
 - The meeting was held in Nelspruit. Request from the members were to get better representation from the industry bodies in the province. Issues regarding the vacant posts in the province were discussed.
 - The province was pleased to report that end of outbreak was stated for Avian Influenza and FMD.
- **RPO Dinner Meeting with the Board Members 08/11/2017**
 - Way forward for the NAHF was discussed.
- **KZN AHF CPD Event held at Allerton Laboratory 09/11/2017**
 - Dr Faffa Malan and Dr Neil Fourie joined the colleagues for a successful day at Allerton Laboratory.
 - Dr Malan presented on the NAHF and Brucellosis and Dr Fourie presented on Asiatic Red water.
- **RPO-NERPO Livestock Federation Meeting 09/11/2017**
 - Dr Vervoort attended the meeting to communicate on the current stance of the LITS SA Terms of Reference and the summarized business proposal.
- **Risk Mitigation and Compensation-Risk Chair proposal discussion meeting 10/11/2017**

- The Risk Mitigation and Compensation Committee nominated persons to liaise with UP-Faculty of Veterinary Science on the proposed Risk Chair for the risk analysis centre for SAPPO and SAPA.
- Vacant Post Questionnaire 13/11/2017
 - The questionnaire that was discussed and decided on at the previous NAHF liaison meeting was sent to all the provincial veterinary services.
 - The Director of Animal Health in each province received the documents completed them and most of the questionnaires have been sent back.
- Disease Reporting Questionnaire 12/11/2017
 - The questionnaire was agreed upon at the combined NAHF-DAFF-Industry meeting held on the 7th of September 2017.
 - The decision was to send questionnaires to all the provincial veterinary services to establish if sufficient resources were available to do disease reporting to DAFF.
 - The questionnaires were sent to the provinces and feedback has been good.
- DAFF-Epidemiology Disease Reporting Meeting 14/11/2017
 - DAFF Directorate Epidemiology had a discussion meeting regarding the future of the method of disease reporting.
- Brucellosis Steering Committee Meeting 15/11/2017
 - The decision at the previous meeting was to have a combined Brucellosis Steering Committee and TB/BB Working Group meeting. It was received well, and decision was to have at least two combined meetings in 2018.
 - The Brucellosis Discussion document was deliberated, and decision was to form a core group to start the work on the Brucellosis Policy Document.
- Controlled Diseases VPN Discussion Meeting 16/11/2017
 - All the VPN's available were tabled and decisions on actions were made regarding each disease allocated to respective industry bodies. The VPN's will be attended to where they have not yet been created.
- The National Animal Health Forum and Department of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries Liaison Meeting 16/11/2017
 - The minutes for the meeting are attached with this report.
- NAHF and DAFF Director General Liaison Meeting 27/11/2017
 - The NAHF had a very positive meeting with Acting DG Mr Mooketsa Ramasodi. Dr Vervoort informed the DG about the plans for the LITS SA.
 - Liaison on the Northern Livestock fence was received well. And the plans for the maintenance of the fence was discussed.
 - The DG was appreciative of the efforts to create a NPO for the NAHF.
- NAHF and SAPPO Insurance Industry Meeting 28/11/2017
 - The possibility of the insurance industry assisting with disease compensation was discussed.
- NAHF attend the Food Security and Safety Meeting with the Ambassador for Food Security and Safety for the Pan African Parliament 29/11/2017
- NAHF-UP Prof Vinny Naidoo Liaison Meeting 29/11/2017
 - The NAHF has been in the process of securing a Risk Analysis Chair and had a discussion meeting with Prof Vinny Naidoo to tie up the responsibilities regarding the appointed person.
 - The co-operation agreement document has been received by The Equine Research Centre. The NAHF will use the same format will be used as an outline for the proposed Centre with the University through SAPPO and SAPA.
 - The documentation will be done and the NAHF hopes to be able to report on the signed agreement by February 2018.

PROPOSED MEETING DATES FOR 2018:

NAHF	GPAHF	MPAHF	WCAHF	COMPENSATION
15 FEBRUARY	30 JANUARY	13 FEBRUARY	23 JANUARY	1 FEBRUARY
31 MAY	26 APRIL	22 MAY	24 APRIL	
16 AUGUST	26 JULY	14 AUGUST	24 JULY	
22 NOVEMBER	25 OCT	13 NOVEMBER	23 OCTOBER	

Thank you in advance for helping to make 2017 successful.



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