



**Minutes of SAFCEI's Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on  
Tuesday 26 August 2025 (5 pm - 7 pm)  
in person at the Desmond and Leah Tutu Foundation, District Six, Cape Town,  
and online via Zoom**

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<b>SAFCEI AGM Minutes, 26 August 2025</b>	
<b>Item</b>	<b>Details</b>
	<p><b>Register of Attendance</b></p> <p>Abrahams, Marian            Angoni, Angoni            Bealie, Lawrence            Biggar, Portia            Brown, Sean            Bwanakaya, Mark            Chetty, Joy            Chindamba, Yousuf W.A.</p>

Choabi, Gosiamé  
Crouster, Stafanie  
Davies, Kate  
de Gasparis, Francesca  
De Groef, Jan  
Douglas-Jones, Tim  
du Plessis, Wayne  
Dube, Michael  
Elias, Rochida  
Esau, Cele  
Falcon, Stefania  
Fortune, Josephine  
Georginia  
Gurupira, Tendai Rebecca  
Haider, Syed  
Hatton, Camille  
Hove, Tshenolo  
Irlam, James  
Isaacs, Salieg  
Jack, Myrtle  
Jijide, Jacqueline  
Jonas, Anghenick Froneha  
Jones, Charmaine  
Jones, Pippa  
Kafidi, Rakkell  
Kalua, Simeon  
Kamoto, Francis Kamoto  
Kansengwa, Sydney  
Kanthambi, Lazarus  
Kiviet, Wendy Kiviet  
Knox, Peter  
Lahren, Missy  
Langley, Roland  
Lucille, Luck  
Magoro, Matodzi  
Makeleni, Kwanele  
Mangwana, Phindile  
Manyangadze, Gabriel  
Marshall, Delia  
Martins, Hazel  
Maruni, Thomas  
Matanda, Khayakazi  
Maureen  
Mbuthuma, Olwethu  
McDillon, Deon  
Merrill-Fudu, Hailey  
Meyer, Judith  
Meyer, Verdun  
Mfene, Mzwamadoda  
Mfihlo, Zama  
Mhone, Edward  
Miller, Benjamin  
Miller, Glenda Miller  
Moerat, Mishkah

Mosekedi, Mmathapelo  
Mubanga, Ellen MC  
Mukaratirwa, Nyasha  
Munene, David  
Mwabanga, Rockin  
Naidoo, Andre  
Namukwanya, Mwizapawi  
Namukwaya, Marium Naava  
Nanyangwe, Theresa  
Ndlovu, Dingaam  
Nel, Cornelia  
Nethe, Sabelo  
Ngeti, Kelly  
Ngubeni Henderson, Kholeka  
Nieuwoudt, Margi  
Nilsson, Sara  
Nomonde, Bridget  
Nxumalo, Baphiwe  
October, Ann  
Ohlsson, Sonja  
Pamplin, Tamzyn  
Paries, Valerie  
Pembamoyo, Eston  
Petersen, Maria  
Phiri, Abraham  
Ridwaan, Muhammad  
Satiele, Symon  
Sauls, Don  
Schultz, Lance  
Sejurei  
Sekoere, Khosi  
Sibanda, Albert  
Steakam, Charmaine  
Stein, Ilana  
Stern, Jen  
Steyn, Barnard  
Subklew-Sehume, Friede  
Sulle, Br. John  
Thomas, Lance  
Tuckey, Caroline  
Van Ryneveld, Tara  
Vhulahani-Munyai, Queen  
Ward, Beulah  
Youlou-Youlou, Nadia  
Zimba, Rev. Canon Edward

**Online (From All over Africa)**

106 Participants

**Apologies:**

Jevan, Usha  
Lutchminarayan, Kirtanya

1.	<p><b>Opening Devotions and Lighting of Candles</b></p> <p>Gabriel Manyangadze, SAFCEI’s Food and Climate Justice Manager, opened and welcomed the attendees to the AGM and introduced the agenda and the Chair.</p> <p>Board Director Kholeka Ngubeni-Henderson led the opening devotion, followed by the lighting of a multicoloured candle by each Board Director present – symbolising the diversity of faith traditions: David Munene, Chairperson (Christian/Catholic); Imam Salieg Isaacs (Muslim); Queen Munyai (Christian); Kholeka Ngubeni-Henderson (Christian); Francesca de Gasparis, Executive Director (ex-officio); and Deon McDillon (Christian/Anglican).</p>
2.	<p><b>Welcome and Introduction to the AGM</b></p> <p>David Munene, Chairperson of the SAFCEI Board, welcomed all attendees on behalf of the Board. He noted the significance of the occasion as a celebration of SAFCEI’s 20th anniversary and expressed heartfelt appreciation to all present – those who had travelled from afar as well as those from nearby. He described the AGM as a meaningful opportunity to commune, reflect on SAFCEI’s journey thus far, and collectively reimagine the organisation’s future over the next 20 years.</p>
3.	<p><b>Apologies</b></p> <p>David Munene noted that apologies had been received from two individuals: Usha Jevan and Kirtanya Lutchminarayan.</p>
4.	<p><b>Agreement on the Agenda</b></p> <p>David Munene introduced the meeting agenda and invited its adoption. The agenda was unanimously adopted, and the meeting proceeded as outlined.</p>
5.	<p><b>Identifying Participants Eligible to Vote</b></p> <p>David Munene addressed the matter of voting eligibility, which is designated to registered faith communities, after which Francesca de Gasparis, SAFCEI’s Executive Director, informed attendees that voting would take place using orange-coloured slips. David further explained that online participants would be able to cast their votes via the designated WhatsApp group.</p>

6.	<p><b>Adoption of the 2024 AGM Minutes</b></p> <p>David Munene called for the formal adoption of the minutes of the AGM held on 27 August 2024. The minutes were proposed by Rev Mzwamadoda Mfene and seconded by Delia Marshall. They were adopted as recorded (pages 1 to 7), with no objections or amendments.</p>
7.	<p><b>Annual Report 2024</b></p> <p>Francesca de Gasparis presented the 2024 Annual Report.</p> <p>She warmly welcomed both long-standing and new members of the SAFCEI community.</p> <p>Special acknowledgment was given to Andy Nixon for her contribution of photographs to SAFCEI’s annual calendar. Francesca also recognised Dingaam Ndlovu for his work in teaching sustainable gardening practices, which have meaningfully impacted communities on the ground.</p> <p>She reminded attendees that, in SAFCEI’s understanding, we are all faith leaders – each of us part of a living planet, with a shared responsibility to act in its protection. To see what is done to others as being done to ourselves is a core value.</p> <p>She emphasised that the natural world – whether animate or inanimate: air, water, mountains – is alive, and that we exist within a sacred space shared by people of all faiths and none.</p> <p>Francesca noted that 2024 was a particularly abundant year, describing it as a “bumper crop” season. With this growth came an increased responsibility to ensure accountable and transparent spending. She stressed that, as SAFCEI is funded in part by public donors – whose money often comes from taxpayers – the organisation holds a deep obligation to steward these resources responsibly.</p> <p>2024 highlights were described as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● R17, 578,822 was received in funding.</li> <li>● More than 165 million people were reached across platforms and media channels.</li> <li>● 981 faith leaders were trained from 12 countries (FLEAT 261; webinars 367; community workshops 353).</li> <li>● Of 261 ‘FLEATers’, 2 were from Botswana, 3 from Eswatini, 5 from Kenya, 1 from Lesotho, 25 from Malawi, 12 from Mozambique, 14</li> </ul>

from Namibia, 160 from South Africa, 3 from Tanzania, 2 from Uganda, 31 from Zambia, and 3 from Zimbabwe.

- 27 training sessions were held.
- Over 200,000 people were reached.
- 8 campaigns (#NuclearFreeSA, #Faiths4SustainableFarming; #MyFoodIsAfrican; #CageFreeSA; #VerifiedCageFree; #Eggsposure; #GreenActionWeek; #SeasonofCreation).
- 100 collaborative partners.
- 69 policy briefs/letters on key eco- and climate justice issues.
- 80% staff and 75% Board were women.
- 53% FLEAT participants were women.
- 76% of FLEAT trainees took climate and eco-justice actions.
- 9 presentations were given at regional and international events.
- 15 events, panel discussions, and meetings.
- 17 SAFCEI submissions on energy justice.
- 12 SAFCEI submissions on animal justice.
- 2 SAFCEI submissions on food and climate justice.
- 8 research reports were commissioned.
- 1 research report was published.

Francesca paid tribute to the staff, acknowledging their exceptional commitment and valuable contributions to the organisation's success.

Key achievements were highlighted:

- Legal victory on public participation: A significant win was achieved in a court case where a government gazette issued to procurement new nuclear by the Minister of Energy was withdrawn due to a lack of public consultation. The legal intervention by SAFCEI and Earthlife Africa successfully halted the process before it reached the courts.
- Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM): SAFCEI contributed to national discussions on the CBAM, underlining the need for South Africa's future to be rooted in renewable energy, both to meet global standards and ensure ecological sustainability.

An overview was presented of SAFCEI's three core programmes: Animal Justice; Energy and Climate Justice; and Food and Climate Justice. These programmes aim to deepen the understanding of our relationship with the Earth and our collective responsibility to care for all forms of life. SAFCEI continues to work collaboratively wherever possible, engaging across a wide range of forums and platforms to promote faith-based perspectives and actions on ecological justice.

*Energy and climate justice:*

SAFCEI facilitated training on energy justice, aimed at equipping communities with knowledge to make informed decisions and advocate effectively.

A learning tour to Tanzania was held, featuring Russian environmentalist, prominent anti-nuclear activist, and author Vladimir Sliviyak. The tour supported local communities in understanding the risks of nuclear energy and bolstering their efforts to resist nuclear procurement in the region.

This peer-learning engagement also highlighted the silent and often overlooked impacts of nuclear energy on reproductive health.

*Food and climate justice:*

SAFCEI published a second Gates Letter, calling for a shift away from industrial agriculture and promoting agroecology as a solution that works in harmony with nature. The campaign included a strong statement: *'African faith leaders demand reparations from the Gates Foundation'*.

The organisation continues to promote agroecology in South Africa and across the region, including supporting seed swaps where individuals growing food share indigenous seeds and knowledge.

The Rural Action for Climate Resilience (RACR) project highlighted the growing impact of climate change on rural communities, with RAISA learning festivals providing key spaces for knowledge sharing and local action.

*Animal Justice:*

SAFCEI continues to advocate for cage-free farming, particularly in the egg industry. The campaign encourages corporates to source only non-cage eggs. The President Hotel's commitment to cage-free sourcing was noted as a significant win.

Through the 'Egg-Free SA' initiative, SAFCEI is working toward eliminating the use of cages for all animals, promoting more ethical and health-conscious consumption.

Francesca expressed concern over the lack of government action on ending cage-based animal farming. In response, SAFCEI is collaborating with partners such as Animal Law Reform and legal expert Cormac Cullinan, who has supported efforts including a formal letter responding to a SLAPP style letter that SAFCEI received.

	<p>A special cage-free Indaba with Zackie Achmat was also held, with insightful discussions on the power of collective action in the cage-free egg movement.</p> <p>SAFCEI continues to invest in capacity-building through its FLEAT training platform. Regional outreach includes training and engagement in South Africa with women from across the region, and faith leaders in Malawi, and Zambia, strengthening grassroots leadership for environmental justice.</p> <p>The Future Earthkeepers initiative, in collaboration with the Cape Town Interfaith Initiative (CTII), offers young learners exposure to environmental education through an interfaith lens.</p> <p>Through its grantmaking efforts, SAFCEI has supported initiatives with the Green Anglicans, the Dutch Reformed Church (DRC) including the joint EcoBishops FLEAT, ecumenical events, and Green Anglicans’ Mothers’ Union training.</p> <p>In Green Action Week 2024, the Swedish Society for Nature (SSNC) global campaign which SAFCEI participants in annually, 11 grant recipients- faith leaders and their communities- were supported to promote sustainable, community-led initiatives for caring communities.</p> <p>SAFCEI staff participated in a Wild Coast Walk guided by Sinegugu Zukulu, Goldman Prize winner, fostering connection each other, with nature and solidarity with local environmental struggles.</p> <p>Francesca closed her input by thanking all attendees for their continued support, acknowledging the collective effort required to advance SAFCEI’s mission for environmental and climate justice rooted in faith.</p>
8.	<p><b>Financial Report 2024</b></p> <p>Gabriel Manyangadze invited Nadia Youlou-Youlou, SAFCEI’s Finance and Operations Manager, to present the financial report for the year ended 31 December 2024.</p> <p>Nadia began by expressing gratitude to both staff and donors, acknowledging the invaluable support from funders of all sizes.</p> <p>She then presented SAFCEI’s financial report for 2024, covering the annual audit, financial position, and overall performance.</p>

SAFCEI's auditors, Solace Consulting, issued an unqualified audit report (signed June 2024), affirming the accuracy and compliance of the financial statements.

Nadia explained a modest decrease in total funds from 2023 to 2024, noting that this reflected the organisation's commitment to fully utilising allocated resources, which in turn positions SAFCEI to apply for additional funding.

She further detailed the statement of assets and liabilities, reporting total assets of R4,600,637 (down from R8,585,258 in 2023) and total reserves and liabilities also at R4,600,637 (down from R8,685,258 in 2023).

The financial position is as follows:

Funds & Reserves increased: ZAR 2.8m (2024) vs ZAR 1.5m (2023) → stronger equity base.

Current Liabilities decreased: ZAR 1.78m vs ZAR 7.14m → improved short-term financial risk.

Reason: Most project contracts ended on 31 December 2024 there for all funds received where spent.

Current Assets decreased: ZAR 4.43m vs ZAR 8.47m → less liquidity, but still enough to cover liabilities.

Reason: Conclusion of most project contracts ended on 31 December 2024.

Balance maintained: Assets continue to equal reserves and liabilities, ensuring accounting integrity.

Income increased by 5.8 mill (49,72%) from 2024, due to higher grant funding. Income in 2024 was R17,983,908 (R12,011,941 in 2023), and expenditure was R17,449,420 (R11,648,330 in 2023).

Grants were received as follows:

Brot für die Welt (28%), Church of Sweden (7%), Swedish Society for Nature Conservation (11%), Animal Justice Funders (11%), Ford Foundation (12%), GIZ IKI (10%), and other donors (21%).

Funds were used as follows:

Energy & Climate Justice (32%), Programme Personnel (30%), Food and Climate Justice (21%), Advocacy, Campaigns, and Litigation (9%), Animal

	<p>Justice – Cage Free Campaign (5%), Communication (2%), and Networking, Conference, and Events (1%).</p> <p>Interest income: Improved to ZAR 405k (vs 313k). Non-recurring income: Once-off unrealised income in 2023 not repeated in 2024.</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Programme costs increased by 49,80%, reflecting increased donor funding and new donor projects.</li> <li>• Higher professional services &amp; governance spend, including consultant support for finance management (no finance manager in place for several months) and governance include SAFCEI strategy sessions for 2025-2028.</li> </ul> <p>Surplus: ZAR 534k mainly driven by interest income maintained despite higher costs → operations remain sustainable.</p>
9.	<p><b>Vote on Acceptance of Accounts</b></p> <p>David Munene called for a vote to approve the financial accounts. A total of 15 members approved the financial statements.</p> <p>The accounts were accepted.</p>
10.	<p><b>Appointment of Auditors for 2025</b></p> <p>David Munene presented the auditors for 2025. Solace Consulting was confirmed as SAFCEI’s auditor, with Greg Cronje the registered auditor.</p>
11.	<p><b>Election of Board Directors</b></p> <p>David Munene introduced the election of the Board Directors.</p> <p>The Board in 2024 was as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kirtanya Maharaj (Hindu)</li> <li>• Queen Munyai (Christian)</li> <li>• Sister Usha Jevan (Brahma Kumaris)</li> <li>• Imam Salieg Isaacs (Muslim)</li> <li>• Kholeka Ngubeni-Henderson (Christian)</li> <li>• Barnard Steyn (Dutch Reform Church)</li> <li>• Deon McDillon (Christian/Anglican)</li> <li>• David Munene – Chairperson (Christian/Catholic)</li> <li>• Francesca de Gasparis – Executive Director (ex officio member)</li> </ul>

	<p>David Munene expressed his gratitude to Usha Jevan (Brahma Kumaris) for her service, noting that she has stepped down from the Board (pending formal confirmation at Board level).</p> <p>He informed the meeting that Queen Munyai (Christian) was standing for re-election. Her nomination was supported, and she was duly re-elected.</p> <p>David then introduced Sonja Ohlsson, the National Coordinator of the Brahma Kumaris in Denmark, who had been nominated to join the Board. Her nomination was accepted, and she was duly elected.</p>
12.	<p><b>Motions to Be Put to the AGM</b></p> <p>David Munene noted that there were no motions tabled for the AGM.</p>
13.	<p><b>Closure of Business of Meeting</b></p> <p>David Munene expressed his appreciation to the SAFCEI staff for their dedication and contributions, and formally closed the business of the meeting.</p>
14.	<p><b>Keynote Speaker Introduction</b></p> <p>Francesca de Gasparis introduced the keynote speaker, Cormac Cullinan. She highlighted his extensive contributions to environmental law, noting that he is the author of groundbreaking work on the legal rights of nature.</p> <p>He is the founder of the Wild Law Institute and leads an environmental law firm actively engaged in protecting ecological rights.</p> <p>Cormac played a pivotal role in blocking oil and gas exploration along the Wild Coast, reinforcing the power of legal action in environmental advocacy. He was also awarded the prestigious Shackleton Medal in recognition of his work on environmental protection in Antarctica.</p>
15.	<p><b>Keynote Address: Cormac Cullinan</b>  <i>(Director of Cullinan &amp; Associates; Founder of the Wild Law Institute; Recipient of the 2025 Shackleton Medal for Polar Protection)</i></p> <p>Cormac’s keynote address was titled: ‘Being Present to Earth as a Sacred Community: Initiatives to Transform Law and Society’.</p> <p>He opened by emphasising that Earth is a sacred community of life, not a resource to be dominated. Quoting Thomas Berry, he stated: ‘<i>The universe is a communion of subjects, not a collection of objects</i>’. This</p>

principle challenges the human-centred worldview, asserting that we are not a superior species, but part of an interdependent web of life.

Cormac stressed the urgent need for cultural transformation, warning that 'there is no future for cultures that dominate the Earth'. He called for a transformational shift – likened to a caterpillar becoming a butterfly – from the current path of environmental devastation to one of mutual presence and care for the planet.

He reflected on the etymology of 'human', tracing it to the Latin word *humus* (soil), which is also the root of *humility* and *Adam* (meaning "of the Earth"). This, he argued, illustrates our deep connection to the Earth – a relationship that must be re-rooted in respect, not dominion.

Cormac presented a jurisprudence based on Earth-centred principles, rooted in the teachings of Thomas Berry, which position the Universe – not human systems – as the primary law-giver.

He referenced global legal milestones in this movement:

- In 2008, Ecuador adopted a new constitution that enshrines the Rights of Nature, prioritising 'living well' in harmony with nature over GDP growth.
- In 2010, Bolivia introduced the World People's Conference on Climate Change and the Rights of Mother Earth, which produced the Universal Declaration on the Rights of Mother Earth – a document that recognises the Earth as a community of interrelated beings, not just species.

Out of this momentum, the Global Alliance for the Rights of Nature (GARN) was formed in Ecuador in September 2010 – a growing global network advancing Earth jurisprudence.

Additional initiatives include:

- The establishment of the International Tribunal for the Rights of Nature, providing a platform for holding governments and corporations accountable for ecological harm.
- The United Nations' 'Harmony with Nature' programme, which provides educational resources and promotes global dialogue on Earth-centred governance.

Cormac asserted that this is 'an idea whose time has come', referencing the Advisory Opinion delivered on 3 July 2025, which affirmed the need to protect the entire natural cycle as essential to the right to life.

	<p><i>Antarctica and Earth Rights</i></p> <p>Cormac highlighted the importance of recognising Antarctica as a living, sacred community. He argued that the Antarctic Treaty System (ATS) is inadequate in ensuring its protection and that a rights-based, Indigenous-informed approach is necessary.</p> <p>A new declaration is being prepared, proposing that Antarctica be granted legal status akin to that of a state – recognising its sovereignty as a living entity. He called for the formation of an Antarctica Alliance to determine how the continent could be represented in global governance.</p> <p>Planned next steps are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IUCN Resolution in October 2025.</li> <li>• Launch of the Antarctica Alliance in December 2025, with related events to follow.</li> </ul> <p><i>Table Mountain Rights Campaign</i></p> <p>Cormac also announced the upcoming launch of the Table Mountain Rights Campaign, which seeks to recognise Table Mountain (Hoerikwaggo) as a living being – ‘The Guardian of the South’. The campaign aims to shift public perception from viewing the mountain as a landmark to understanding it as a sacred entity deserving of rights and respect.</p> <p>The campaign encourages people to prioritise their allegiance to the mountain and Earth community over political divisions, and to move from self-interest toward collective ecological stewardship.</p> <p>‘We are nourished by the mountain. Let us see it as a being, not a backdrop’.</p> <p>For more, attendees were invited to visit the <a href="#">Table Mountain Rights</a> website.</p> <p>Gabriel Manyangadze thanked Cormac Cullinan for his thought-provoking and visionary address.</p>
16.	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p><i>Introduction of the Gates Sign-On Open Letter</i></p>

Gabriel Manyangadze introduced the [Gates Sign-On Open Letter](#), outlining its purpose and urgent call to action. The letter addresses the destructive impact of industrialised agriculture on communities and livelihoods across Africa and calls for an end to funding models that promote this system.

Instead, it urges the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to redirect its support towards agroecology, localised food systems, and reparative funding that honours Indigenous knowledge and practices.

The letter advocates for a return to sustainable, community-based agriculture – prioritising healthy food, ecological protection, and food sovereignty.

Gabriel encouraged attendees to share the letter widely and to gather signatures from faith leaders, emphasising the power of collective action. He noted that over 350 faith leaders have already signed and urged the community to help reach a goal of 600+ signatures by 31 August 2025.

‘This is a call to stand for healthy food systems and the protection of our environment – rooted in justice, dignity, and care for creation’.

#### *Koeberg Nuclear Power Plant Lifetime Extension*

Ntombi Mapapu, Senior Energy and Climate Justice Coordinator at SAFCEI, briefed the meeting on the proposed 20-year licence extension for the Koeberg Nuclear Power Station. The National Nuclear Regulator (NNR) has scheduled public hearings as part of the licence renewal process, which will take place:

- In the Northern Cape on 28 and 29 September 2025
- In the Western Cape on 2, 3, and 4 October 2025

In response, SAFCEI will host a series of preparatory community workshops between 23 and 26 September 2025 in various Western Cape locations, including Atlantis, Tableview, and Cape Town, to support public participation and informed engagement in the hearings.

The deadline for submitting [written comments](#) to the NNR is 20 October 2025.

#### *No Faith in False Solutions*

This week, SAFCEI is launching its ‘No Faith in False Solutions’ campaign. The campaign opposes false solutions to climate change that undermine a Just Energy Transition (JET) and delay meaningful progress. SAFCEI

	<p>advocates for genuine, renewable energy alternatives that are sustainable, inclusive, and aligned with climate justice principles.</p>
<p>17.</p>	<p><b>Vote of Thanks</b></p> <p>Gabriel Manyangadze delivered the vote of thanks, expressing deep appreciation to all who contributed to the success of the AGM.</p> <p>He extended gratitude to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Desmond and Leah Tutu Legacy Foundation for hosting and supporting the event.</li> <li>• The dedicated SAFCEI staff for their hard work and commitment.</li> <li>• All attendees, both in-person and online, for their presence and participation.</li> <li>• The SAFCEI Board of Directors for their leadership and guidance.</li> <li>• The technical support team for managing sound and logistics seamlessly.</li> <li>• Nature itself, for the sacred space we share and seek to protect.</li> <li>• And finally, the Divine, for sustaining life and guiding our collective journey.</li> </ul> <p>Gabriel closed with heartfelt thanks to everyone for their continued support of SAFCEI’s vision and mission.</p> <p>In turn, Gabriel was thanked by the Chair, David Munene.</p>
<p>18.</p>	<p><b>Closing Devotions</b></p> <p>Delia Marshall (Quakers) and Imam Salieg Isaacs (SAFCEI Board Director) gave the closing devotions.</p>
	<p>Photographs were taken, and the evening concluded with refreshments and a cupcakes to celebrate SAFCEI’s 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.</p>