

SOUTH AFRICAN HANG GLIDING AND PARAGLIDING ASSOCIATION

Incorporating Powered Paragliding & Hang Gliding



15 April 2026

VALID FULL SAHPA MEMBERS ONLY

Dear SAHPA Member,

Once again it is time to look at who will represent you on the SAHPA Committee. Nominations for the 2026/7 SAHPA Committee members are due. The job descriptions are:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EXCO)

The executive committee will be charged with the running of the business of SAHPA, the determining of long-term visions and objectives and the monitoring of those objectives.

1) Chairman – Board of Director

2) This entails overseeing all aspects of SAHPA Governance, Risk and Compliance, as well as day-to-day operations. Candidates must have applicable leadership experience as well as a broad and working knowledge of corporate governance. The role includes being registered as the Information Officer for SAHPA.

3) Vice Chairman – Board of Director

This person is the previous year's chairman if outvoted or retains chair if voted and next best vote gets vice.

4) Treasurer- Board of Director

This person is responsible for maintaining control of all aspects of the financial running of SAHPA and liaising with the secretary, accountants and authorities in this regard. Candidates must have an accounting background and at least some practical accounting experience.

5) Aviation Safety Manager (NSO and compliance officer)

To manage Needs a good understanding of aviation laws and procedures. A legal qualification would be very beneficial. Must live or be able to attend meetings regularly in Gauteng.

6) Marketing Manager

This person is responsible for all aspects of communication and marketing of the sport to members and potential members, planning and execution of media campaigns, finding of sponsorships, event and promotions. A strong marketing background is a requirement.

7) Technical Committee

The technical committee will oversee the standards of Safety as well as disciplinary procedures relating to the above. The technical committee will consist of one representative (formerly the NLSO) for each section - being HG, PG and Powered - as well as the SAHPA Representative. Each Representative will appoint regional representatives at his/her discretion and in consultation with his/her members to assist in the day-to-day operations of the section. Each section Representative needs to be an experienced pilot with a solid standing in the community and must hold more than an entry-level license in his/her discipline.

Sections: Paragliding, Hang Gliding, powered (Includes all powered versions of the above PPG, PPC and PPT)

NOMINATION RULES

- 1. Please note nominees must hold a current license for the appropriate section -e.g., you may only nominate someone for powered chairperson if you hold a PPG, PPC, PPT or PHG licence.** The nomination form must be completed and signed by the nominee.
2. Only paid-up, full members in good standing may be nominated.
3. Nominations must reach the Secretary no later than 6 May 2026 by email. The SAHPA secretary will contact the nominees for verification. A manifesto must accompany the nomination form (one paragraph on who you are and one paragraph on why you think you should be elected to the committee in that particular role and one paragraph on your qualifications/experience for the post).
4. Members may only nominate themselves for one position.
5. All nominations must meet the criteria for that position. (see positions above)
6. If no acceptable nominations are received for a certain position, the deadline for nominations may be extended until a nomination for that position is received.
7. If only one acceptable nomination is received for a position, that person will be elected to that position automatically.

- 8.** Election process and deadlines will be as follows:
 - Nomination forms and manifesto deadline 6 May 2025 at 12:00
 - Ballots to open from 7 May 2026 by Simply voting.com
 - Election will close on 28 May 2026 at 12:00 (Ballots will only be accepted on the Simply voting.com platform).
- 9.** AGM will be held online (link to follow) on 28 May at 18:30
- 10.** The new committee (with a hand over period from old committee) will take over after the AGM has been held.

Members of the Committee fill important positions, and the respectability of the sport is in their hands. This is the opportunity to get the person(s) of your choice on the Committee. Please bear in mind that the nominee must be willing to devote time and energy to the task, as a considerable amount of personal time will be spent on SAHPA affairs. Some personal expense may also be incurred in the fulfilling of a particular post.

**ALL NOMINATIONS AND MOTIVATION LETTERS TO REACH THE SAHPA OFFICE
BY NO LATER THAN 6 May 2026**

