

SABBA (SABT) OFFICE PRESS RELEASE

The Executive Committee of the SABBA had to make the unfortunate decision last week as to release two of our office staff members from their respective duties with effect on Friday 11 August 2006.

This was the result of a disciplinary process that started in 2005. In January 2006 the Board gave the final instruction to the Executive Committee to ensure that all the activities in the office enhance our vision to deliver world class service.

After numerous meetings, discussions and feedback sessions with the two staff members the Executive Committee decided that a disciplinary hearing would be the only option left in this whole process. This was conducted by an independent chairman Mr SJ Grobler from Coetsee Labour Relations Advisors, as we wanted to make sure that the whole process would be transparent, fair and objective.

Both members pleaded guilty on the charges against them and Mr Grobler made his recommendations to the Executive Committee on the 10th August 2006.

This is a very difficult time and the Executive Committee trusts that the breeders will support these drastic steps in order to get world class service from the office in future.

In the mean time Ms Elize Brand will run the office for the time being. She helped in the office for the past three months.

We hope that this will clear all unanswered questions and put a stop to a lot of unfortunate rumours.

Members are welcome to contact the SABBA's chairman or vice chairman in this regard if any further information is needed.

SABBA Executive Committee
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Pretoria