

Draft Minutes of the 40th Annual General Meeting
Tuesday 30th January, 2024
Co-Hosted by TSTT
Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago

The meeting of the 40th Annual General Meeting commenced at 1.10pm

Board of Directors Present:

Mr. Mike Antonius - Chairman, TELESUR - Suriname
Dr. Delreo Newman - Vice Chair, ATNI - USA
Mr. Gerard Cooper - Treasurer, TSTT - Trinidad & Tobago
Mr. Ramadhar Maharajh - Director, Digicel Trinidad & Tobago
Mr. Kendall Dupersoy - Director, TELEM - St. Maarten
Mr. Mark Reynolds - Director, GT&T – Guyana
Ms. Melesia Sutherland – Director, C&W Antigua & Barbuda
Mrs. Teresa Wankin - Secretary General, CANTO – Trinidad & Tobago

Excused:

Mrs. Desha Clifford - Director, Digicel Turks & Caicos

Full Members Present:

1. Aliv Limited - Bahamas
2. Caribbean Cellular Phone - Tortola
3. C&W Antigua & Barbuda Ltd.
4. C&W Grenada Ltd.
5. Digicel Trinidad Ltd.
6. ENET - Guyana
7. ETECSA - Cuba
8. Guyana Telephone & Telegraph – GTT
9. SETAR - Aruba
10. TELEM - St Maarten
11. TELESUR - Suriname
12. TSTT - Trinidad & Tobago
13. DATASUR – Suriname

Members Represented by Proxy:

1. BTC – Bahamas
2. C&W Anguilla Ltd
3. C&W Barbados Ltd
4. C&W BVI Ltd
5. C&W Cayman Islands Ltd
6. C&W Communications USA
7. C&W Dominica Ltd
8. C&W Grenada Ltd
9. C&W Jamaica Ltd
10. C&W St. Kitts & Nevis Ltd
11. C&W St. Lucia Ltd
12. C&W St. Vincent Ltd
13. C&W Turks & Caicos Ltd

14. Columbus Communication Trinidad Ltd
15. Digicel Anguilla Ltd
16. Digicel Aruba Ltd
17. Digicel Bermuda Ltd
18. Digicel Bonaire Ltd
19. Digicel BVI Ltd
20. Digicel Cayman Islands Ltd
21. Digicel Dominica Ltd
22. Digicel Grenada Ltd
23. Digicel St. Kitts & Nevis Ltd
24. Digicel St. Lucia Ltd
25. Digicel St. Vincent & The Grenadines Ltd
26. West Tel Ltd (Logic)

Opening Remarks

Chairman, Mr. Mike Antonius welcomed all delegates to the 40th Annual General Meeting on behalf of his fellow Board of Directors.

The Chairman informed the meeting that the notice of the meeting was circulated to the members on December 15th 2023 and therefore proposed that the minutes be taken as read by delegates.

For record taking purposes the Chairman requested that anyone speaking at this 40th Annual General Meeting to please state his or her name and company. He reminded members that only Full Members are entitled to vote and hold office of the Association. Members in arrears for more than six months is not financial and Directors may order their company name to be struck off the list of members, whereupon that member shall cease to be a member of the Association. The Secretariat has informed that the members that are not up to date with their subscription payments and advised that these members will not be able to vote. Only registered members or their appointed proxies or representatives can move or second motions, ask questions and vote.

Introduction and Apologies

The Chairman introduced the members of the Board present at the meeting.

Mr. Mike Antonius	- Chairman	TELESUR, Suriname
Mr. Delreo Newman	- Vice Chairman	ANTI, USA
Mr. Gerard Cooper	- Treasurer	TSTT, Trinidad & Tobago
Mr. Mark Reynolds	- Director	GT&T
Mr. Kendall Dupersoy	- Director	TELEM, St. Maarten
Ms. Melesia Sutherland	- Director	Cable & Wireless Antigua & Barbuda
Mr. Ramadhar Maharajh	- Director	Digicel Trinidad & Tobago

The Chairman reported that Mrs. Desha Clifford provided notification of her inability to attend and would not be present at this Annual General and sent her regrets.

At this point the Chairman introduced the Secretary General of CANTO who will perform the functions of Secretary for these proceedings.

Proxies Received and Quorum

The Secretary General was invited to confirm the quorum for the meeting. She reported that they have received twenty-six (26) proxies and there were thirty-nine (39) full members present, this she confirmed totalled 65 members representing 74% of the membership.

The Secretary General confirmed that the required quorum of thirty percent (30%) thereof, of the active members of the association, being either a member entitled to vote thereat, or a duly appointed proxy holder or representative of a member so entitled, had been satisfied.

ITEM 1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE 39TH AGM

The Chairman indicated that the minutes of the 39th AGM was received via the CANTO website and suggested that the minutes be taken as read by the members. He enquired whether there were any amendments to the text. Since there were no suggested changes to the text, the Chairman then proposed a motion to confirm the minutes of the 39th AGM.

The Chairman recognised Director Ramadhar Maharajh of Digicel Trinidad & Tobago who moved the motion, seconded by Director Mark Reynolds of GTT.

The motion for the confirmation of minutes of the 39th Annual General Meeting was put to vote and the Chairman declared the motion was carried unanimously.

ITEM 2 – MATTERS ARISING

The Chairman enquired whether there were any matter arising from the minutes which the Secretary General will respond. There being no response to this item, the Chairman closed this agenda item.

ITEM 3 – PRESENTATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

A) Business Continuity Management Committee

Chair, Mrs. Keneisha Brown-Plunkett, of Cable & Wireless Jamaica presented via powerpoint presentation. She reported on the activities of the committee for 2023 and initiatives of the BCM for 2024.

Major activities for 2023

1. Meeting to host stakeholders
2. Prechecklist and survey shared to members
3. Cyber security Sub Committee formed
4. Discussion with the Jamaica Amateur Radio Association

Top activities for 2024

1. Earthquake Awareness Campaign & knowledge sharing
2. Testing and drills – hurricane simulation exercise
3. CANTO conversation on Earthquake, Hurricane, Bomb threats & Cyber Security Earthquake Awareness Campaign & knowledge sharing
4. Testing and drills – hurricane simulation exercise

Top activities for 2024 cont'd.

5. CANTO conversation on Earthquake, Hurricane, Bomb threats & Cyber Security
6. Provide templates and documents as a guide for Business Continuity plans
7. Business Continuity Courses for members
8. Cyber Security
9. Provide templates and documents as a guide for Business Continuity plans
10. Identify business Continuity Courses for members

The Chairman enquired whether there were any questions on the Business Continuity Management Committee presentation. There being no questions asked, he then moved on to invite Melissa Harris Chair of the Marketing and Communications Committee.

B) Marketing & Communications Committee

Melissa Harris, Chair reported via a power point presentation, the following are some of the highlights of the presentation:

Marketing Committee Successes in 2023

1. AGM welcome session – well attended
2. Cancion
 - Provide quarterly articles
 - Qtr 2 -Cybersecurity and IoT
 - Qtr 3 - Navigating Global Digitalization and sustainability of Telco realm
3. **CANTO Conversations**
 - AI presentation moderated by Melissa Harris
4. **Annual Conference & Trade Show**
 - Mix and Mingle Welcome Session
 - CTO peer to peer executive summit
 - Invited over 150 US exhibitors -generated 16 potential members
 - New exhibitor – Airway Technology

Marketing Committee Plans for 2024

1. **AGM**
 - Welcome Session – Sponsored by SETAR
 - Non-Sponsored Committee Reception – Saturday Night
2. **Cancion** – Will submit quarterly articles with a marketing focus
3. **CANTO Conversation** – Marketing Topic and Sponsor TBD

Marketing Committee Plans for 2024 cont'd

4. Annual Conference

- Welcome Session
- CIO/CTO Peer to Peer Executive Summit
- CSMO Peer to Peer Executive Summit
- Marketing Speaker or Panel – “Increasing Revenues from Non-Traditional Products & Services”
- B2B Speed Networking Experience – help plan the session
- Develop flyers and mix & mingle invitations
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5. CANTO Leadership Academy

- To be launched at the conference

The Chairman then invited the floor if there were any questions or comments on the presentation, there being no comments, the Chairman called Ms. Jenis Asraf, Chair of the CSR Committee to the lectern

C) Corporate Social Responsibility Committee

Ms. Jenis Asraf, Chair introduced the core members of the committee noting that she was very grateful that the members have increased.

The Chair informed the membership that the E waste initiative which started in Trinidad was a great idea and hoped to expand to more countries. The committee also looked at other alternatives and approached oil companies to secure barrels to collect e-waste material. The following is the highlights of her presentation via power point.

CSR Projects for 2023

1. E-Waste Initiative

- 23 barrels collected in 2023
- Expanded to AdeK University and collected 2 truckloads of e-waste.
- Collaboration with Suriname Conservation Foundation to get more companies to adopt the initiative. Delayed due to issues with waste management company.
- Guyana in planning phase to implement the e-waste initiative in Guyana

2. Proposal CSR award 2025

- **Objective:** The primary objective of the "CANTO Sustainable Goals Champions" contest is to encourage innovative and impactful projects that contribute to achievement of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals.
- **Contest structure:** Participants will be required to design and implement projects aligned with one or more SDGs.
- **Eligibility:** The contest will be open to CANTO members and affiliate members who are willing to make a positive impact in line with the SDGs.
- **Timeline:** Launch of Contest: July 2024 during CANTO conference
- **Submission Deadline:** May 31st, 2025.

CSR Cont'd

- Judging Period: June 2025
- Announcement of winners will at CANTO Conference 2025

3. Stukaplus:

- Caribbean based self-supporting E-learning platform for Businesses and NGO's to work on capacity building in the region
- Collaboration with Technology Trends Committee

Plans for 2024

1. E-waste Initiative

- Continue in Suriname
- Implementation in Guyana

2. CSR award 2025

- Proposal document to be submitted to CANTO Board for approval
- Collaboration with Marketing Committee

2. StukaPlus:

- Collaboration with Tech committee
- Develop a CSR committee logo & recruit more members

The Chair thanked Jennis Asraf for her presentation and invited the meeting for any questions or comments they may have. There being no comments from the floor, the Chair moved to the next agenda item.

The Chair of the Regulatory Committee, Christa Leith was invited to the lectern to deliver her presentation.

D) Regulatory Committee

The Chair, Christa Leith commenced by inviting members to join the Committee stating that they are exploring ways to attract people to the committee by placing papers on the website so that the work of the committee could be acknowledged and shared. She then proceeded to deliver her presentation to the members, the following are highlights via power point:

Miles stones in 2023

1.. **Completed & Published- Website & Cancion**

- Tax paper policy brief
- Digital Vulnerabilities - White Paper
- Is The Telecommunications Sector Rising to the Challenges of Innovation, Disruption, & Changing Expectations – Position Paper

2. **Canto Conversations**

- Digitization of Caribbean Governments – A Belize Transformational Case Study with Alexia Peralta, Director, e-Governance & Digitization Unit, Ministry of Public Utilities, Energy, Logistics and E-Governance, Belize

3. **Other**

- Satellite-based Broadband Services – White Paper (*Part 1*)
- USF Questionnaire

Activities for 2024

1, **Papers for Publication - Website & Cancion**

- Q1 Best Practices in Telecommunications Pricing
- Q2 A Study of Universal Service Funds in the CANTO Member Countries
- Q3 Satellite-based Broadband Services and the Telecommunications Industry (*Part 2*)
- Q4 A Study of the Variances between the Budgets and Actual spend of Regulatory Authorities in the Region (Not for website publication)
- ***Developments in Cybersecurity legislation and Telecommunications Providers (*Not for website publication*)

E) **Technology Trends**

The Chairman, Anvit Ramlakhan delivered his presentation entitled CANTO Technology Trends Committee Year Plan 2024 via power point. He outlined the work plan for 2024 and its quarterly goals.

Year Plan 2024

1) Technology Trends Frame Work

Vision: Empower CANTO members to thrive in the dynamic engagement on digital Transformation, visionary leadership, collaborative innovation focusing on sustainable development and (digital) growth.

Goal 1- 1st Qtr: Foster Technological Excellence & Collaboration:

1. Member Survey (Jan 2024) high

- 1.1. Distribute a survey among CANTO members to gather insights into their technology priorities and challenges.
- 1.2. Use survey results to tailor committee focus areas to meet member needs
- 1.3. Use survey as medium for committee member recruitment.

2. Technology Landscape Analysis (Feb 2024)- Medium:

- 2.1 Conduct an in-depth analysis of current and emerging technologies in the ICT sector.
- 2.2 Identify key trends, such as 5G advancements, IoT integration, and artificial intelligence applications.

TT Cont'd

3. Workshop/Webinar (March 2024) – Low:
 - 3.1 Organise a workshop/webinar to educate members on the latest technological developments and trends
 - 3.2 Invite industry experts to share insights and experience

Goal 2 - Member Centric Innovation – Q2 2024

1. Innovation Challenge (Apr 2024)- High:
 - 1.1. Launch an innovation challenge to encourage members to showcase innovative solutions and applications in ICT.
 - 1.2. Recognize and reward outstanding contributions during CANTO conference in July.
2. Strategic Partnerships (May 2024) – Medium.
 - 2.1. Explore potential partnership with technology vendors, research institutions, and other Industry stakeholders
 - 2.2 Foster collaborations that can enhance the committee's access to cutting-edge technologies and research.
3. Technology Roadmap for Members (June 2024) – Low
 - 3.1. Develop a technology roadmap outline key trends, recommended strategies and potential areas for investment.
 - 3.2. Recognize and reward outstanding contributions during CANTO conference in July.
 - 3.3. Provide members with a practical guide to navigating the evolving technology landscape.
 - 3.4.

Goal 3 – Stress Cybersecurity Resilience - Q3 2024

4. Cybersecurity Focus (Jul 2024) - High
 - 4.1. Dedicate a portion of committee activities to cybersecurity trends and best practices
 - 4.2. Collaborate with experts to develop guidelines for members to enhance their cybersecurity measures.
5. Cybersecurity Focus (Jul 2024) - High
 - 5.1. Attend the CANTO conference to stay inform about global trends and best practices
 - 5.2. Collaborate with experts to develop guidelines for members to enhance their cybersecurity measures.
 - 5.3. Share key takeaways and insights with CANTO members by participating in a presentation
6. White Paper Publication (Sept 2024) – Low:
 - 6.1. White Paper Publication (Sept 2024) – Low
 - 6.2. Disseminate the white paper among CANTO members and industry stakeholders

7. TT Cont'd

The Chairman invited discussion on the Technology Trends report from the floor. There being no comments or questions, the chairman invited the Secretary General present highlights of the Secretariat report.

ITEM 4 – SECRETARY GENERAL REPORT

The Chairman informed the meeting that the Secretariat Report had been circulated to members via the Annual Report and invited Mrs. Teresa Wankin, Secretary General to present highlights of the report.

The Secretary General expressed a sense of pride in the work of the committee chairs stating that most of the work of the committee chairs is the work of the Secretariat – working together with each member.

She reported that the Association focused on membership growth for the last fiscal year and was able to recruit ten (10) new members.

The work of the Caribbean Women in ICT was highly recognised, delegates were informed that the Chair of that committee had resigned from Cable and Wireless. She also thanked the former Chair for her commitment and dedication to the committee.

In 2023 they focused on partnership and building relations with other ICT organisations in the region. The Association continues to engage its strategic partnership through its virtual workshop and events.

CANTO e market solution was launched to the membership last year at the conference. Roadshows were held in Suriname, Guyana and Curacao. Telesur was the first member to onboard the platform and receive technical training. She expects other members to onboard this year.

In closing her statement, she reminded members that the detail report is in their package for their review. She also indicated to the members that the Association's success relies heavily on their success and the region as a whole.

The Chairman enquired whether there were any comments or questions on the highlights of the Secretariat report. There were no comments or questions asked by the floor.

The Chairman then proposed a motion to adapt the Secretariat Report as presented. On a motion moved by Cable & Wireless Antigua & Barbuda, seconded by GTT, the motion was carried unanimously.

The Chairman handed over the meeting to the Vice Chair, Dr. Delreo Newman who invited the Chairman to deliver his report.

ITEM 5 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman opened this presentation by stating that this 40th Annual General Meeting is in the place where it started 40 years ago with the founding members TSTT – Trinidad & Tobago, GTT – Guyana, SETEL – Curacao, BTL – Belize, BATELCO, Bahamas and ETECSA – Cuba.

The Association now has 53 full members and 40 Affiliate Members, he remarked, that is a great achievement, he also reported that a CANTO App was developed activating different platforms as it relates to digital transformation.

The Chair elaborated that digital transformation is important to move forward, the Association tried to do things differently and focused on how to plan ahead. He boasted that they are now capable of announcing the dates and locations of the next conference. He noted that there were comments that the Annual General meeting was like a conference, this he remarked, “that is the kind of response we need to get.”

He indicated that telecommunications operators face their fair share challenges with the big tech who offer their services free to all of customers, stressing that the data is free. He stated that if the region doesn’t develop their own infrastructure this will continue. This he stated needs to be the focus and he was happy to learn that Lisa Agard is the Chair of that committee.

He reported that he was very excited to announce that they will not only try to get a fair share but to have a digital divide in the Caribbean. He also aspired to have a Giga Bit Economy in the Caribbean which can be beneficial to the Caribbean

In closing he thanked everyone for participating in this 40th Annual General Meeting.

ITEM 6 – PRESENTATION OF AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Chairman reported that statements were previously circulated and requested that they be taken as read. He then called upon Mr. Gerard Cooper, Treasurer to present an overview of the Financial Statements.

The Treasurer congratulated the Secretary General and her Team for a wonderful executed year, he highlighted the following:

Key Activities for 2023

- AGM in Suriname
- Annual Conference in Miami
- E-Market Road Show in Guyana and Curacao
- CANTO Conversations
- GIICT Workshop

The AGM in Suriname attained a surplus of \$54,000 – 20% over budget; the Miami conference \$221,000 – 43% overbudget these contributed to the highest surplus since 2004. E-market road shows were held in Guyana and Curacao. Telesur being the first to sign up for the e-market. Ten CANTO Conversations were held for the year on a wide array to telecommunications topics, the GIICT Workshop was held in April, the Secretary General was commended continuation of this initiative.

A) Review of Balance Sheet

1. Last year total assets grew over 1,000,000 USD; current assets in particular impacted on operational surplus.
2. Working capital ratio grew from 3.29 to 6.18.
3. Current Assets rose by 4% and Current Liabilities by 44%.
4. Reserves increased by 83,000USD is a reflection of the current year’s surplus. highest in over 19 years,

5. Liabilities current ratio increased for the current year 2023 but from prior year, March 2022 coming out of covid there was a slow start, so the liabilities end of last year comparatively were a bit higher.
6. Despite the reduction in surplus experienced in 2020 as a result of Covid 19 there was continued positive growth and is well on the way to pre pandemic assets base.

B) Review of Income Statements

1. In 2023 achieved a surplus of 83,000USD compared to the prior year 46,000USD, 14% over budget compared to 28% from the prior year's budget. (highest revenue since 2008)
2. Increase in conference revenue of 240,000USD, 38% increase due sponsors, Big 3 international operators; over 600 registrants for the conference and increase revenue from exhibitions
3. AGM income grew by 36,000USD as a result of live event and terrific support from Telesur
4. Membership revenue increased by 26,000USD
5. Increase cost with the events both Miami and Suriname due to the increase of registrants and attendees as such the 83,000USD was received
6. Record conference – 600 participants /16 new members in terms of growth

In concluding, the Treasurer reported that this is highest AGM revenue and highest total surplus in six years; highest attendance in terms of AGM and conference, noting that they continue to come out of the pandemic, third year they had a surplus in a row after the challenging 2020.

There was increased participation and will speak to when doing to the budget in terms of rebranding to ensure they have sustained interest, he remarked that it is really a unique market place meeting that the operators and suppliers look forward to. He stated that they have record results and e-market will continue to grow, they expect one major sign up and other prospects.

The Chairman invited the floor for comments or questions to the Financial Statement, in the absence of no comments or questions, the Chairman then proposed the motion to the AGM to receive and consider the report of the Audited Financial Statements for year ending 30th September, 2023. The Chairman called on persons to propose and second the motion. Digicel Trinidad & Tobago was recognised as the proposer and GTT was the seconder.

Delegates in favour of the motion were asked to raise their right hand and say yay; all those against the motion were asked to raise their right hand and declare nay. The motion was carried unanimously.

ITEM 7 – AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2023

The Chairman called upon Mr. Dinesh Bhola, of DSB Financial Solutions, to read the Auditors report.

The Secretary General then read the resolution to receive and adopt the Audited Financial statements. Be it resolved that the financial statements for the year ending 30th September, 2023, be received and adopted. Cable & Wireless Antigua moved that the resolution be accepted seconded by Digicel Trinidad & Tobago.

ITEM 8 – RESOLUTION TO APPOINT AUDITORS 2023/24

The Chairman invited the Secretary General to read the resolution to appoint DSB Financial Solutions as auditors of the Company and that the Directors be authorised to fix their remuneration for the ensuing year. The Chairman invited a proposer and seconder to the resolution. TELEM, St Maarten as the proposer and Cable & Wireless Grenada the seconder. The motion was carried unanimously. The Chair invited the Treasurer to present the 2023/2024 budget.

ITEM 9 - PRESENTATION OF THE 2023/2024 BUDGET

The Treasurer commenced his report indicating that he took the document as being read and identified the Road Map for 2024. He stated that they will continue build on the successes of 2023 which was a solid year; continue to increase stakeholder management through the AGM and conference in July 2024; continue to rollout e-market at a different level in terms of having automated and e-platform solutions; innovating to success in everything they do moving thus away from the traditional sources of revenue

Main Consideration for 2024

- Annual Conference in Miami at the same location as 2023
- CANTO Connect (AGM) in Trinidad, Rebranding and expanding event.
- e-Market Roadshows in Belize as customers begin to sign on the use of the services in 2024
- Revamping of CANTO website
- Office refurbishment/re modelling of the Secretariat
- 40th Anniversary celebrations and office improvements

The revenue base will be increased by 4.5% that will be continued based on the major income earner, the annual conference in Miami. Expenditure will be increased due to related expenditure with more registrants and its associated cost; training cost for the most important assets, the human resource and refurbishing of the office and revamping of the web site.

Surplus projected of 40% is realistic and consistent with the budget for the last three (3) years this

In closing the Treasurer thanked the Board of the approval of the Budget for 2023/2024 as presented.

- Total revenue - \$1,559,460
- Total expenditure - \$1,505,461
- Surplus after tax and adjustments \$42,300.00

The Chairman thanked the Treasurer, Gerard Cooper for his presentation and enquired whether there were any questions or comments from the floor.

Director Melesia Sutherland, thanked the Treasurer for the format of the budget presentation as well as the Financial for 2023 stating that it is more user friendly for everyone to understand and is very grateful and thankful for and the way how they have evolved to engaged with the stakeholders

The Chairman invited the Secretary General to read the proposed resolution, “Be it resolved that the budget estimates for the year 2023/2024 as approved by the Board of Directors and presented by the Treasurer be received and adopted”. On a motion moved by Cable & Wireless Antigua, seconded by ATN I, the motion was carried unanimously.

Item 10 - Tell us what you think

The Chairman encouraged the members to complete the online survey.

Item 11 - Election Procedure

The Chairman handed over the proceedings to the Presiding Officer, Mr. Charles Carter who commenced by stating that the quality of conference remained professional and outstanding as it has always been. He extended congratulations to the Secretary General and her staff on another job well done. As Chairman of iGovtt, he extended congratulations on behalf of his company and pledged to support CANTO in any way they can.

Mr. Carter then proceeded with his function as Presiding Officer informing the AGM that there were thirteen (13) members present and twenty-six (26) represented by proxy. He indicated that all members will have a single vote, except the following who along with their own vote will have additional votes associated with the proxies that have been authorised to vote:

Cable & Wireless Antigua & Barbuda, Ms. Melesia Sutherland has 14 votes

Digicel Trinidad & Tobago, represented by Mr. Ramadhar Maharajh has 12 votes

GTT represented by Mr. Mark Reynold has 2 votes

He announced that Mrs. Desha Clifford representing, Digicel & Caicos had completed her two-year term in office and in accordance to the By-law 8 is eligible for re-election for another term.

The meeting was informed that there is only one vacation position.

He then invited members to nominate for the position Director:

Proposer	Second	Nominee
C&W Antigua & Barbuda	GTT	Mrs. Desha Clifford

There were no further nominations declared from the floor, the Director position was filled by Mrs. Desha Clifford.

The Presiding Officer than handed of the meeting to the Chairman, Mr. Mike Antonius

Item 12 – Presentation of New Board

The Chairman reiterated that Mrs. Desha Clifford was not present due to personal obligations and Mr. David Cox had retired and was replaced by Mr. Charles Douglas of Cable & Wireless Jamaica.

The board members were presented to the membership and invited for photo session

Conclusion

The Chairman announced that he looked forward to see the members at the 39th Annual Conference & Trade Exhibition is scheduled from 7th – 10th July, 2024 at the JW Marriott Hotel Miami (same location as last year).

The CANTO Connect & Annual General meeting will take place from 26th – 28th January, 2025 in Curacao.

CANTO 2025 will take place in The Bahamas, location to be announced soon. They are planning ahead in order to attain prolific speakers.

The Secretary General presented a token to the co-host TSTT which was received by Mr. Kamal George. A representative from Huawei also received a token of appreciation.

The Secretary General thanked TSTT and Huawei on behalf of the Board of Directors and Secretariat staff.

The Secretary General informed that she was pleased to announce that registration site is now opened and invited delegates to register and thanked the registration team for their efforts.

CONCLUSION

The Chairman concluded that the formal business of the Annual General Meeting came to an end and thanked the delegates for attending and their interest in the Association. He stated that moving forward he hoped to build a greater sense of commitment among the members if they are to achieve better results. He indicated that they look forward to the next goals and objects and remarked: “Let move together towards a Giga Byte Society in the region”. He again thanked everyone for their participation and declared the Annual General Meeting closed.

The meeting concluded at 3.30pm

