

## **Membership Committee**

Chair: Dr N H Netshidzivhani

Members: Dr M I Cassim, Dr Danie Franklin, Prof Silke Dyer

The objective of the committee was to establish a well-structured society with registered membership an executive committee and sub-committees. Progress started with the early establishment of our executive committee and subcommittees which were given tasks to carry out through the tenure of office.

The main tasks of this committee was to encourage, recruit and help the secretariate with the registration of members. A membership fee was established as a pledge to show commitment of the members. Membership is not limited to IVF clinics but open to all involved in reproductive medicine. This is well confirmed by the different subspecialities falling under the society the best example of which is Gynaecological Endoscopy. To facilitate this a website was developed or rather reconstructed to the state in which it is today. The website is meant to help with communication with members and for the members to be able to give feedback on what is currently happening in our field. This was also supplemented by a newsletter to be posted on the site for regular communication and information to our members. Our chairperson has been particularly exerting himself to ascertain the continuity of one now and then.

To date the society boasts a significant growth, better communication and organisation with a membership of 160 of whom 124 are paid up for 2010. The original Executive committee has also grown since inception from 8 (eight) to 12(twelve) due to the recognition that other members are skilled in certain sections of the society and they would be useful for further advice and ensure growth of the society.

Finally the ground work is done and the future can only be better!

Dr N H Netshidzivhani