

Update: Limpopo GPSSBC Chamber

A virtual meeting took place on 26 November 2021 and the following issues were discussed:

OHS and COVID-19 regulations

The employer reported that the number of infections is decreasing compared to the period July to September 2021. Although it did not provide statistics per department, it undertook to circulate to labour in due course. Further, the employer indicated that issues of water shortages in departments remain a huge problem and labour was requested to report all affected departments to enable the employer to intervene where necessary.

GPSSBC Resolution 5/2014: Recognition of improved qualifications

All departments received concurrence letters from the Department of Public Service and Administration (DPSA), except Education and COGHSTA, which delays payment in these departments. The matter is receiving attention and the employer will provide a detailed report in the next meeting. PSA members employed in other departments and who are not receiving payment in recognition of their qualifications despite compliance with the Resolution, must contact the PSA's Provincial Office for immediate intervention.

Restructuring in Department of Public Works and Infrastructure without consultation

The Task team reported that meetings took place where the Department was advised to retract its structure. The matter will be removed from the agenda as both parties are satisfied with the way the matter is unfolding.

Non-absorption of Library employees: Department of Sport, Arts and Culture

Whilst the employer previously indicated that contracts were extended until the end of financial years and posts would be advertised in due course, the matter could not be engaged upon as affected members declared a dispute. It was agreed that the matter will be provisionally withdrawn as it is *sub judice*.

Members must note that this was the last meeting for 2021, however matters/agenda items and work-related problems can still be reported to the office to queen.seema@psa.co.za or Whatsapp on 076 983 9852 as the Office will be open until 23 December 2021.

Members will be informed of new developments.

GENERAL MANAGER