



Malawi Library Association

2022-2024

REPORT TO SCECSAL GENERAL COUNCIL

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1. INTRODUCTION

This report covers the period from 2022 to 2024. After the SCECSAL conference in 2022 in Johannesburg, South Africa, Malawi Library Association has carried out some activities necessary for the growth of the Association. Some of the activities done are: elections, constitution review, draft strategic plan, draft welfare policy as well as preparation for the 2nd National Conference scheduled to take place on 23rd May 2024.

2. SCECSAL ACTIVITIES

The Malawi Library Association has been participating in meetings of SCECSAL Council and also participated in the recent consultative process for the review of the SCECSAL constitution.

3. CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

The Malawi Library Association Continues to be instrumental in capacity building for those who join the profession without any qualification by offering a Certificate in Library and Information Science. Towards the end of last year about 20 students enrolled in the certificate course and completed their course work and are currently working on their projects.

4. NATIONAL CONFERENCES AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

The 2nd Conference National Conference shall take place on 23rd May 2024. Currently, preparations are underway. It is anticipated that the conferences will be attended by both local and international delegates as well as exhibitors. We had an annual general meeting in 2023 where the elections took place. We expect to have another AGM this year where reports on progress on different aspects of the Association will be presented.

5. PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS

The Malawi Library Association drafted a memorandum of understanding with the Library and Information Association of Zambia and we are currently waiting for feedback from LIAZ.

6. MEMBERSHIP

Due to challenges, we faced with payment for membership fees from individuals we decided that membership should largely be based on organisations. Since our year starts in January, five institutions have paid for their membership, and we expect more member institutions to pay for their dues in the course of the year.

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