

Closing remarks

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Key issues

- The Theme of the conference was Embracing change
- Various speakers spoke to this theme
- Fapsa members was concerned about the absence of NSFAS and it is noted that in the keynote address of Prof Mosia that FAPSA was advised to consult with the NSFAS board
- One of the key issues addressed was the need to rebuild the relationship with NSFAS and to regain a FAPSA seat on the NSFAS board.



Key issues (cont.)

- The president highlighted the challenges facing FAO's in 2014
- It was clear that there was a high degree of uncertainty in pilot and non pilot institutions
- The next FAPSA conference will include one day to discuss policies



Pilot Projects

- The heavy handed approach that NSFAS had with the pilot institutions was noted
- Support varied at the institutions and ranged from excellent to nearly non-support
- Pilot institutions must be allowed to sort out problems
- No more pilot institutions should be added
- Some practical aspects must be addressed
- FAPSA should engage with pilot institutions and help sort out problems



Resolutions

- FAPSA to rebuild the relationship with NSFAS
- FAPSA to regain seat on NSFAS board
- Feasibility study of affiliation fees
- Investigating the appointment of an administrator including logistics, job description and financial impact
- The appointment of a subcommittee to deal with policies and procedures to be discussed at the next conference



Conclusion

▶ 2015 Conference to be confirmed at Cape Town

