

Re-elected Sam: accountability crucial in 'cut-throat sport business'

Supersport.com reports that the membership of the South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee (Sascoc) re-elected Gideon Sam as President for another four year term at the Quadrennial General Meeting on Saturday.



Sam, who was first elected President in 2008, was elected unopposed. Hajera Kajee and Les Williams were also re-elected to their positions of First and Second Vice-President.

Speaking after his re-election, Sam said that his focus for the next four years "will be to strengthen the provincial structures," adding that Sascoc is only "scratching the surface when it comes to talent." Sam insisted that total accountability must be practiced at all times, while the organisation looks for a better funding model.

Sam called on leaders of the various federations to settle their differences. "There's no doubt sport is a cut-throat business but we cannot afford all these disputes amongst the federations," as there are bigger issues to tackle, he said. According to *Supersport.com*, Dr Irvin Khoza withdrew just over a week before the elections, paving the way for Sam's re-election.

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