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Prof Hove-Musekiwa passes away

It is with great sorrow and a heavy heart that we announce the passing on of Professor Senelani Dorothy Hove-Musekiwa, a Professor of Mathematics.

She passed away yesterday at Mater Dei Hospital at the age of 63.

Prof Hove-Musekiwa joined NUST on the 2nd of January in 2003 as a lecturer before she was promoted to Senior Lecturer.

In January 2012 she was promoted to Associate Professor and attained her full Professorship in April 2018.

Prof Hove-Musekiwa will be remembered for founding and leading the NUST Schools Enrichment Programme (NUSTSEP) in 2010. NUSTSEP is a programme for supporting the underprivileged and orphaned high school pupils in mathematics.

Riding on the impact and popularity of NUSTSEP, she formed NUST Schools Enrichment Centre (NUSTSEC) to cater for pupils who are able to pay to participate in the mathematics programme.

She held various positions of responsibility within the University including Acting Director Institutional Research and Quality Assurance from April to June 2020; Acting Dean of the Faculty of Applied Science from March 2017 to May 2018; and Chairperson of Applied Mathematics Department from July 2007 to October 2008.

She was a member of various committees and boards until the time of her death including the Higher Degrees Committee (from Aug 2005); Journal Editorial Board (from 2011); and MSc Mathematical Modelling Coordinator (from Jan 2005).

She also sat in the Publications Committee (Jan 2005 to 2009); Senate (Jul 2007 to Oct 2008; 2012 to time of her death).

Prof Hove-Musekiwa was the secretary of African Women Mathematics Association (AWMA) since 2013 and an active member and Board Chairperson of the ZIMSTAT Board.

She was Southern Africa Mathematical Sciences Association Treasurer (SAMSA) from 2002 to 2006.

Prof Hove-Musekiwa was a well published professor with more than 40 Journal Publications, several Book Chapters and presented papers at more than 48 International Conferences and Workshops.

She was a holder of a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics, MSc in Mathematics, DPhil in Mathematics and a Graduate Certificate in Education, all attained from the University of Zimbabwe.

Funeral arrangements are underway and the family is gathered at number 28 Abbot Avenue, Paddenhurst, Bulawayo.

She will be laid to rest in Bulawayo at a date to be announced.

On behalf of the Chairman of NUST Council, Eng A. Mabena and the Vice-Chancellor, Prof M.E. Dlodlo, we convey our deepest condolences to the Hove-Musekiwa family and NUST Community on the loss of a distinguished scholar, Prof Hove-Musekiwa.

Let us find comfort in that the Lord says in John 16:22 "So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you."

May Her Dear Soul Rest In Peace!



The late Professor Senelani Dorothy Hove-Musekiwa