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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COVID-19

Wednesday, 29 December 2020 (13h00), Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

THEME: Health update

ATTENDANCE

Members:

Democratic Alliance

Allen, R

America, D

Baartman, D

Bosman, G

Mitchell, D

Philander, W

Van der Westhuizen, A

Wenger, M (Chairperson)

African National Congress

Dugmore, C Lekker, P Windvogel, R

Economic Freedom Fighters

Xego, M

GOOD

Herron, B

African Christian Democratic Party

Christians, F

Alternate Members

MacKenzie, R (DA)

Maseko, M (DA) Sayed, K (ANC) Marran, P (ANC)

Apologies

Botha, L (DA) (Alternate) Marais, P (FFP) Nkondlo, N (ANC) (Alternate)

The following persons were in attendance:

Office of the Premier:

Mr A Winde, Premier
Dr A Malila, Director-General
Adv L Buter, Chief Director – Legal Services
Mr R Shaw, Director – Director-General Support
Ms F Steyn, Director – Communications

Ministry of Health:

Minister F Mbombo, Minister of Health Mr D Newman-Valentine, Head of Ministry

Department of Health:

Dr K Cloete, Head of Department Dr K Vallabhjee, Chief Director: Strategy and Health Support Dr M Moodley, Director: Health Impact Assessment

Member of the Public

Ms S Payne, Reporter: Daily Maverick

Western Cape Provincial Parliament

Ms L Cloete, Senior Procedural Officer Mr M Sassman, Manager - Committees

1. Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed the Members, the Premier, Director-General, Minister Mbombo and officials from the Provincial Department of Health and other government departments, members of the public and media, and noted apologies from, Members P Marais (FFP), L Botha (DA)(Alternate) and N Nkondlo (ANC)(Alternate). The Chairperson explained the rules of engagement to Members and officials in respect of virtual meetings and then proceeded to the presentation.

2. Briefing by the Premier, Director-General of the Premiers office and Dr Cloete, HOD on Health on the situational analysis of the pandemic in the Province

Premier Winde opened the meeting and provided an overview on the subject at hand in providing a context and background.

Dr Cloete further briefed the Committee in providing the Health update on the subject at hand.

Dr Malila continued to brief the Committee on Governance arrangements which included Law enforcement, the Communications response and Fatalities management.

The Committee deliberated on the aforementioned presentations.

The Committee thanked the Premiers Department and the Department of Health for their hard work and dedication during this difficult time.

3. Resolutions/Actions

The Committee RESOLVED that:

- 3.1 Members should send any additional resolutions and requests for information to the Senior Procedural Officer by 12h00 on Wednesday, 30 December 2020.
- 3.2 Presentations made to the Committee by various departments should not be longer than 50% of the allotted time for a specific meeting.
- 3.3 The Committee will not express an opinion on the updated Alert Level 3 Regulations at this stage, but that all Members will review the updated regulations and if necessary discuss this at the next meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee.
- 3.4 The next Ad Hoc Committee meeting will take place on either 12 or 13 January 2021, which marks the end of the two weeks lockdown period and this will afford the Committee the opportunity to engage with the Department of Health and the Premiers Department to assess the efficacy of the two weeks lockdown.
- 3.5 The Committee will continue to receive the Weekly Health Updates from the Department of Health starting from 11 January 2021.

The meeting adjourned at 17h31.

MS M WENGER, MPP

CHAIRPERSON: AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COVID-19

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