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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Tuesday, 07 February 2017 (at 14h00), Committee Room 1, 4th Floor, Cape Town

PRESENT

Members:

Democratic Alliance

Botha, LJ Kivedo, BD (Chairperson) Max, LH

African National Congress

Dugmore, CM

African Christian Democratic Party

Christians, FC

Apology

Olivier, RT (ANC)

Officials in attendance

Western Cape Education Department (WCED)

Mr M Matseliso, Deputy Director-General: Institution Development and Coordination Mr Naicker, Chief Director: Inclusive Education and Special Programmes Mr C Frolick, Chief Director: Districts Mr MT Ndzuzo, Director: Institutional Management and Governance Planning

1. Opening and Welcome

The Chairperson, Mr B Kivedo opened the meeting and welcomed the Members of the Standing Committee and the Departmental officials.

2. Briefing by the Western Cape Education Department (WCED) on School readiness for 2017

Mr M Matseliso, provided the Committee with a status update on the Department's school readiness for 2017 programme. The update pertained to Learners placement for 2017 at schools and the impact of learner in-migration to the Western Cape; resourcing at schools; staffing capacity; status of School Governing Bodies (SGB) at schools, i.e. role, functionality and whether all schools have SGBs in place; teacher-learner ratio; infrastructure of schools; status of Learner Transport; status of nutrition – the Feeding Scheme at schools; School safety; and the water crisis and how it affects schools across the Western Cape.

The Committee deliberated on the briefing.

The Committee RESOLVED that the Department provide the following information by 5 March 2017:-

- 2.1. The statistics reflecting the number of School Governing Body vacancies.
- 2.2. A list of those schools and areas, which have municipality accounts in arears.
- 2.3. Ascertain whether the 3 720 learners that are currently not enrolled are from child headed households or due to drop outs and truancy.
- 2.4. A breakdown of the criminal activities recorded at schools and the areas where those schools are located.
- 2.5. A detailed report on the number of learner transport applications and how many have been declined or approved and reasons for it.
- 2.6. A detailed report on the Post Provision Model, the estimate costs and resources.

The Committee further agreed that the shortage of teachers be formally addressed in the Legislature and an official correspondence be sent to the National Minister of Finance, Minister P Gordhan to address this issue of budget constraints affecting the Education Departments.

3. Consideration and adoption of the Draft Minutes

The Chairperson submitted the Draft Minutes of 31 January 2017 which were considered, amended and adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 16h00.

MR BD KIVEDO, MPP CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT