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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Tuesday, 10 September 2019 (13:30), Metro East Education District Office, Belhar Road, Off Nooiensfontein Road, Kuilsrivier

Briefing by the Western Cape Education District office namely: Metro East, Metro South, Metro North and Metro Central

PRESENT

Members:

Democratic Alliance

Allen, RI

Bosman, G

Botha, LJ (Chairperson)

African National Congress

Kama, M

African Christian Democratic Party

Christians, FC

Additional

Makamba-Botya, N (EFF)

Apologies

Sayed, MK

(See attached list of departmental officials and members of the public who were in attendance.)

1. Welcome

The Chairperson opened the meeting, welcomed all present and stated the purpose of the meeting.

The key mechanism established by the Western Cape Provincial Parliament (WCPP) to achieve its Constitutional oversight mandate within the province. It is intended to ensure that members of the Provincial Parliament, through its Standing Committees, continuously

keep abreast of developments and social issues especially in eight Districts across the province.

This briefing aims to familiarise members of the Committee for the 6th Provincial Parliament with the Education District officials.

2. Briefing by the Metro East Education District Office

The Director for Metro East Education District, Mr B Schereka briefed the Committee on the status of schools in the district during the 2019/20 financial year.

The committee deliberated on the presentation by the department.

3. Briefing by the Metro South Education District Office

The Director for Metro South Education District, Mr G Stander briefed the Committee on the status of schools in the district during the 2019/20 financial year.

The committee deliberated on the presentation by the department.

4. Briefing by the Metro North Education District Office

The Director for the Metro North Education District, Mr DJ Millar, briefed the Committee on the status of schools in the district during the 2019/20 financial year.

The committee deliberated on the presentation by the department.

5. Briefing by the Metro Central Education District Office

The Director for the Metro Central Education District, Ms S Nowers, briefed the Committee on the status of schools in the district during the 2019/20 financial year.

The committee deliberated on the presentation by the department.

6. Request for information

The Committee requested the WCED to provide the following information:

- 6.1. A report on the status of the Representative Council of Learners (RCL) which is a governance structure of learners as stipulated in the SA Schools Act, 1996 (Act 84 of 1996). The report should include the extent at which the RCL are functioning in the Province. How many are functioning, if any, at what schools and how many meetings have taken place during the 2018/2019 financial year. Furthermore, how many RCL learners are on School Governing Bodies, if any and provide schools.
- 6.2. Metro Central reported that the School Safety Statistics for 2019, received 128 abuse cases reported, what type, from which schools and the gender of learners.
- 6.3. All four Education District offices provides the pregnancy number at high schools and primary school for 2017/2018 and 2018/2019.
- 6.4. The status on the ratio of female to male principals and deputy principals at schools in the four Education District offices.
- 6.5. The sick leave patterns of teachers and truancy patterns of learners at schools in the four Education District offices.

- 6.6. The WCED provides analysis on whether the MOD Centre and the Afterschool Game Changer can be merged as they both provide learners with after school activities. The analysis should include how the MOD Centre's Strategy and its specialist objective are achieved. The WCED should also provide the attendance figures of both programmes at schools in the Province.

7. Resolutions

The Committee resolved that:

- 7.1 The WCED briefs the Committee on the absenteeism rate of teachers and the sick leave patterns of teachers in the Province.
- 7.2. The WCED briefs the Committee on the learner: teacher ratio at schools in the Province.
- 7.3. That the Committee conducts oversight visits to Silikamva High School in Hout Bay and to Erica Primary School in Belhar
- 7.4. Once the analysis on whether the MOD Centre and the Afterschool Game Changer can be merged as they both provide learners with after school activities. The WCED brief the Committee on the analysis.

The meeting adjourned at 17:30.



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