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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Tuesday, 20 August 2019 (13:00), Chamber, 6th floor, Cape Town

Briefing by the Western Cape Education District offices namely: Cape Winelands, Eden and Central Karoo, Overberg and West Coast

PRESENT

Members:

Democratic Alliance

Allen, RI

Bosman, G

Botha, LJ (Chairperson)

African National Congress

Kama, M

Sayed, MK

African Christian Democratic Party

Christians, FC

Additional

Makamba-Botya, N (ANC)

Marais, PJ (FP)

De Jager, I (Al Jama-Ah)

(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 Cape Winelands Education District Office

The Head of monitoring and governance in the Cape Winelands Education District, Mr J Gouath 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 Eden and Central Karoo Education District Office

The Director for Districts, Mr AJ Meyer briefed the Committee on Eden and Central Karoo Education officer 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 Overberg Education District Office

The Acting Director for the Overberg Education District, Ms Van Zyl, 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 West Coast Education District Office

The Director for the West Coast, Ms H van Ster, 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. The breakdown of the teacher-learner ratio at special needs schools, public ordinary schools and independent schools in Cape Winelands, Eden and Central Karoo, West Coast and Overberg districts.
- 6.2. A breakdown of the quality of passes in Quintile 1 – 5 schools on the Literacy and Numeracy Systemic tests within the districts presented. This should include the district, geographic area and the names of those schools.
- 6.3. The dropout rate of learners at schools in the Cape Winelands, Eden and Central Karoo Districts.
- 6.4. A report on the Graafwater High School closure. Further to that, provide the number of schools and names in Cape Winelands, Eden, and Central Karoo, West Coast and Overberg districts that are intended to be closed permanently.
- 6.5. Particulars of the Esselenpark Primary School in Worcester's engagement with the District office and WCED in resolving issues which were raised by the School Governing Body. The details should include all engagements

information which took place over the past eight months, together with a report to possibly resolve issues raised.

6.6 The teacher sick leave and long sick leave status.

7. Resolutions

The Committee resolved that:

- 7.1 Oversight visits to the Jakes Gerwel Technical High School in Langeberg and to the Jonga Street Secondary School in George be scheduled as part of the Committee programme.
- 7.2 The Committee would write to the Minister of Education, Ms D Schafer and the Head of the Department, Mr B Schreuder to have all future presentations provided to the Committee five days before a meeting. In the event the WCED is unable to provide the presentation on time to please inform the Procedural Officer of the Committee in writing as to the reasons and time-frame when it would be provided. Further to this, the Procedural Officer to copy the respective Deputy Director-General when sending correspondence to present before the Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 18:00.



MS L BOTHA, MPP

**CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT**

