

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

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THURSDAY, 10 JUNE 2021

1. The House met at 14:15.
2. The Deputy Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.
3. [14:18] The Deputy Speaker made a general announcement regarding the sitting of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament in accordance with Rule 1A of the Standing Rules pertaining to Members in remote attendance by electronic means.
4. [14:20] The Chief Whip of the Majority Party (Ms M M Wenger) moved: That, notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 20(1), precedence be given to the Subject for Discussion.

Agreed to.
5. [14:21] The House discussed the following subject in the name of hon R D Mackenzie:

The impact on the Western Cape of the national government's failure to keep the lights on, to keep us safe and to keep us in jobs.

Debate concluded.
6. [15:20] Questions.
7. [15:59] Statements by Members.
8. [16:21] Response to statements by Members by Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education and Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning.
9. [16:25] Motions with Notice (*in accordance with Standing Rule 151*).

The Speaker made an announcement in accordance with the new Standing Rule 151, all Notices of Motion by Members are required to be delivered to the Secretary for placing on the Order Paper. These motions, duly submitted, will be published on the Order Paper.
10. [16:26] Motions without Notice (*in accordance with Standing Rule 150*).

11. Mr D America moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Western Cape Disaster Management Centre for winning a gold award at the 2021 annual Western Cape Government Service Excellence Awards on 2 June; notes in addition that the Centre's Covid-19 Activation Team won the Barrier Breakers Prize; notes that this follows the Centre's stellar performance and service delivery in the midst of the pandemic last year; notes that the members of the team worked 12-hour shifts to ensure that the province as a whole received the necessary support it needed during this period; furthermore notes that vulnerable people in distress were helped on a continual basis and the Centre was able to accommodate in repatriating in excess of 7 000 foreigners to their home countries within the first few months of the lockdown; and notes that if it were not for the Disaster Management Centre's dedication, many would have found themselves in dire situations.

Agreed to.

12. Ms P Z Lekker moved without notice: That the House notes and pays tribute to a great thinker and Witwatersrand University Professor of Development Economics, Vishnu Padayachee, who died recently at age 69; and thinks of his family, friends and comrades of the struggle who lost an outstanding scholar, a progressive academic and a long-standing activist of the mass democratic revolution.

Agreed to.

13. Mr G Bosman moved without notice: That the House notes the passing away of Bert Lintvelt and Chriszelda (Sussie) Jacobs, both of whom died in a car crash; notes that they were known for their iconic braais made from metal guitars; further sends our condolences to their families and friends and wishes them much strength during this time.

Agreed to.

14. Mr F C Christians moved without notice: That the House notes with shock and deep sadness the passing of 15-year-old Tamar Snyman by her own hand; reaches out to her family with our prayers, condolences and sympathy; notes that it was reported by the *Daily Voice* of 20 May that she was a Grade 10 learner at Scottsville High School; notes that she leaves behind a shocked and saddened father, Arnold, unemployed for three years, and mother, Tamsyn; notes that Tamar was known as "happy chappy" and would have celebrated her 16th birthday on 25 July; and prays for the Spirit of God to draw close to her family, relatives, friends and school community.

Agreed to.

15. Mr G Brinkhuis moved without notice: That the House notes the sudden passing of Mr Phaldiel Vahed who passed away on 24 May 2021; further notes that Mr Vahed was a well-known community activist and humanitarian not only in Paarl, but throughout the Drakenstein region; acknowledges his contribution in the anti-apartheid struggle and his selfless assistance to the Muslim and non-Muslim community in Mbekweni in Paarl; recognises his unselfish role in assisting with the establishment of the first mosque in Mbekweni; further recognises his humanitarian nature as he showed deep concern over the poor socio-economic conditions of the larger community; also acknowledges that for many years he was part of the leadership of RIWA (Rural Islamic Welfare Association) that played a big role in offering upliftment programmes in the Drakenstein region; and extends condolences to his wife, Muzna Vahed, children and grandchildren.

Agreed to.

16. Ms P Z Lekker moved without notice: That the House notes the destruction of public property by violent protesters in areas such as Philippi East and Nyanga, where more than seventy buses were damaged; and calls on all people to report any person who joined this wanton destruction to SAPS and desist from such behaviour; and expresses condolences to families and victims of violence this past week.
Agreed to.
17. Mr C M Dugmore moved without notice: That the House notes the numerous attempts launched by many people to divide this province and establish an independent island province segregated from the unitarian South Africa; and commends all those who continue to reject such a notion as unviable.
Agreed to.
18. Ms A Bans moved without notice: That the House congratulates Samkelo “Sam” Mvimbi as the first national hockey player of Knysna and the only one from the Southern Cape who qualified for the Tokyo Olympic Games this year; and also extends felicitations to his father, Member Lulama Mvimbi, with this achievement.
Agreed to.
19. Mr G Brinkhuis moved without notice: That the House offer prayers for the health and well-being of Mufti Taha Karaan who is critically ill and for the consolation of his family; notes that Mufti (Islamic jurist) Karaan serves as the Islamic jurist of the Muslim Judicial Council (MJC); notes that he was born and raised in Strand; and notes that Mufti Karaan also taught Member Brinkhuis as a young boy to read the Holy Qur’an.
Agreed to.
20. The House adjourned at 16:35.

ROMEO ADAMS
Secretary to Provincial Parliament