

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

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THURSDAY, 15 JUNE 2017

1. The House met at 14:15.
2. The Deputy Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.
3. [14:16] The Deputy Speaker announced that due to the resignation of Mr R B Lentit, a vacancy occurred in the representation of the Democratic Alliance in the Western Cape Provincial Parliament. This vacancy had been filled by the nomination of Mr T A Simmers with effect from 12 June 2017, and that the Member had taken the oath in the Speaker's office on 12 June 2017.
4. [14:18] The Deputy Speaker requested Members to rise and observe a moment of silence for the victims of the various recent natural disasters in the Western Cape.
5. [14:20] The Deputy Speaker welcomed the delegation from Ethiopian Federal Parliament and the Oromia Regional Parliament present in the House.
6. [14:28] The Chief Whip moved without notice: That, notwithstanding Rule 198, precedence be given to the Matter of Public Importance.

Agreed to.
7. [14:29] The House discussed the following matter of public importance in the name of hon M G E Wiley:

Recent events affecting the Province as a result of fire, winds and floods that have left thousands of people destitute and traumatised by loss and suffering, while at the same time highlighting extraordinary acts of courage, sacrifice and dedication by both officialdom and the public at large.

Debate concluded.
8. [15:29] Interpellations.
9. [15:45] Questions.
10. [16:24] Statements by Members.
11. [16:45] Notices of Motions.

12. [16:55] Mr B D Kivedo moved without notice: That the House expresses its deepest condolences with the family and loved ones of 5-year-old Mimentle Lekhakha of the Strand who was brutally murdered last week. May her dear soul rest in peace.

Agreed to.

13. Mr S G Tyatyam moved without notice: That the House congratulates the ANC Western Cape PEC member Sfiso Mtsweni, NEC member of the ANCYL, on his appointment as the chairperson of the NYDA board and wishes him well in discharging his responsibilities.

Agreed to.

14. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House commends the firefighters and disaster management personnel of Westridge and Khayelitsha in the City of Cape Town for the assistance and response they provided during the Cape storm for the people of Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain.

Agreed to.

15. Ms P Z Lekker moved without notice: That the House notes that South Africa celebrates Youth Day on Friday 16 June 2017, a day used to reflect on youth affairs and the youth uprising of 1976.

Agreed to.

16. Mr N E Hinana moved without notice: That the House condemns the burning of buses, trains and looting of business in this province.

Agreed to.

17. Ms D Gopie moved without notice: That the House conveys its condolences with the family of three children who died in a Wendy-house fire in Valhalla Park on Friday last week caused by an electrical fault; and wishes the fourth victim who is recovering in hospital a speedy recovery.

Agreed to.

18. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House commends Hester Grint, Jade Grint and Petrus van der Westhuizen from Oudtshoorn: Hester, her daughter Jade, and Petrus van der Westhuizen drove to Oudtshoorn during the Knysna fire and set up a coffee station for the firefighters to provide them with soup and warm beverages; notes their dedication and lauds their initiative. It is ordinary citizens' dedication that enriches South Africa and unites our people.

Agreed to.

19. Mr C M Dugmore moved without notice: That the House condemns this week's arson attack on Metrorail trains and the vandalism of shops and property at the Cape Town station by commuters; and calls for a genuine cooperative-government approach to deal with this urgent priority to ensure a safe, affordable, reliable and efficient rail service.

Agreed to.

20. Mr B D Kivedo moved without notice: That the House expresses its sincere condolences with the husband and loved ones of Evangeline Brockman, a teacher at the Blomvlei Primary School in Hanover Park, who tragically lost her life on Sunday 11 June 2017. May her soul rest in peace.

Agreed to.

21. Mr S G Tyatyam moved without notice: That the House lauds the DTI for its work in the province; and congratulates Hisense on reaching the significant milestone of producing its millionth fridge and television at its factory in Atlantis.

Agreed to.

22. Ms B A Schäfer moved without notice: That the House congratulates GreenCape for its achievements at the Sixth Annual Eco-logic Awards 2017, which identifies individuals and organisations that contribute towards an environmentally sustainable world. GreenCape scooped the gold award for its contribution to the green economy, a silver for waste management and bronze for climate-change action.

Agreed to.

23. Ms P Makeleni moved without notice: That the House welcomes and commends the establishment of the #OneTooManySA campaign to protest against the rise in violence targeted at women and children; and commends the civil society organisations that united under this campaign.

Agreed to.

24. Mr L T Botha moved without notice: That the House notes and sends condolences to the wife and family of Alderman Boeta Josephus from Porterville, a Councillor of Berg River and a former Deputy Mayor of the West Coast District Municipality, who passed away on 23 May 2017.

Agreed to.

25. Mr S G Tyatyam moved without notice: That the House commends the good work done by the Competition Commission in the province by investigating the alleged price fixing and collusive behaviour of local companies; and welcomes its decision to haul three Western Cape companies before the Competition Tribunal.

Agreed to.

26. Mr B D Kivedo moved without notice: That the House expresses its deepest condolences with the family and loved ones of Kyle Grace, the Grade 7 learner who died in a freak accident at Edgemoor Primary School in Cape Town. May his dear soul rest in peace.

Agreed to.

27. Ms P Makeleni moved without notice: That the House notes the damage caused by the recent Cape storms that destroyed people's homes, displacing thousands of people and left several others deceased; and conveys condolences with the families who lost loved ones.

Agreed to.

28. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House commends "Impact through Sports" in Mitchells Plain and Mr Keith Meyer who organised donations for the victims of the Cape storms and provided many people in Tafelsig with a hot meal during this difficult period.

Agreed to.

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29. Mr N E Hinana moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Go-George Bus Company, the firefighters and all volunteers for their work in helping to evacuate residents and fighting the raging fires in Knysna area.

Agreed to.

30. Ms S W Davids moved without notice: That the House notes with concern that between January and March this year at least 3 159 structures were either damaged or destroyed by fires in the province, leaving 41 people dead; and calls for the accelerated delivery of houses and the eradication of informal settlements.

Agreed to.

31. Ms B A Schäfer moved without notice: That the House acknowledges “Working on Fire”, the EPWP programme which trains young people to be wildland firefighters and is run by the Department of Environmental Affairs, for the incredible work they did to fight the recent fires along the Southern Cape.

Agreed to.

32. Mr S G Tyatyam moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Iziko Slave Lodge Museum for the successful launch of “Through Positive Eyes”, an exhibition which attempts to break the stigma of HIV and Aids; notes that the exhibition is directed by a London-based South African photographer and HIV and Aids activist Gideon Mandel; and further notes that the exhibition started in Mexico in 2008, moved to Rio de Janeiro in 2009, to Gauteng in 2010 and the Cape Town chapter started on 1 June 2017 with the following exhibitionists from Cape Town, namely Elihle Ndudula, Nadia Lobi, Basil Mtungane, Fiona Moore, Shaun Charles Cogil supported by Gugu Dlamini (GP) and Phindile Masukutha (GP).

Agreed to.

33. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House commends Councillors Joan Woodman, Washiela Harris, Thulani Stemele, Gouwa Timm and community activist Norman Arendse for working during and after the Cape storm to provide assistance to the victims of the worst storm in decades in Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain. These people are indeed true public servants.

Agreed to.

34. Mr S G Tyatyam moved without notice: That the House notes that the ANC Western Cape called for the immediate suspension of the provisional rights allocation of West Coast rock lobster (crayfish) until it has engaged Minister Zokwana on the matter following desperate calls received from fishing communities; and commends the organisation for taking up the struggles of communities in the absence of a caring provincial government.

Agreed to.

35. Ms P Z Lekker moved without notice: That the House welcomes the establishment of the new Sexual Offences Court in George; and applauds the Justice Department for this intervention.

Agreed to.

36. Mr R T Olivier moved without notice: That the House notes with concern that learners of the Vukukhanye Primary School in Gugulethu missed out on a week of education due to community protests; further notes that Lavender Hill learners also missed out on a number of days due to gang violence; and calls on the WCED to come up with a catch-up programme for these learners.

Agreed to.

37. Ms P Makeleni moved without notice: That the House notes with concern that the scourge of rape and murder of young women and children continues unabated in the province: last month alone 14-month-old Lindokuhle Kota was raped and murdered by her father, 3-year-old Courtney Pieters was also raped and murdered by her father's friend who stayed in the same house; 5-year-old Minentle Lekhakha from the Strand was raped, murdered and her body dumped under a bridge in the area and 33-year-old Unathi Madotyeni from Langa was raped and murdered; further notes the number of murdered children this year has risen to 21; and welcomes the arrest of perpetrators for all these abovementioned cases.

Agreed to.

38. Mr M Mngqasela moved without notice: That the House wishes a speedy recovery to all persons who sustained injuries during the recent Cape storms and fire disasters; furthermore conveys our deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences with all the families who have lost loved ones during this period. We wish all those affected strength and comfort as they rebuild their lives.

Agreed to.

39. Ms C F Beerwinkel moved without notice: That the House congratulates Lorenzo Thabo, a learner from Mullersrus, one of the poorest farm schools in the area, after being selected for the Boland under-13 rugby team to take part in the Nashua Week from 2 to 5 July at Sasolburg, and hopes that the selectors of the Craven Week will also recognise and exploit his talent.

Agreed to.

40. Ms L J Botha moved without notice: That the House notes and expresses condolences with the family of Charles Lewin from Citrusdal, a Councillor of West Coast District Municipality, who had passed away on 28 May 2017.

Agreed to.

41. Mr L H Max moved without notice: That the House notes and congratulates Benni McCarthy on being appointed as head coach of Cape Town City football club. Benni, who hails from Hanover Park on the Cape Flats, is still South Africa's leading goal scorer with 32 goals for Bafana Bafana. He is also the only South African who has won the biggest European footballing title, the UEFA Champions League, with Porto in 2004. Benni is an inspiration and complete proof of what can be achieved if you work towards your goals and score it.

Agreed to.

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42. [17:45] FIRST ORDER

Consideration of Report of the Budget Committee on the *Division of Revenue Bill* [B 4–2017] (NCOP), dated 4 May 2017 (See Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, p 92) (Ratification of final mandate).

Debate concluded.

The mandate conferring authority on the Western Cape Provincial Parliament's delegation in the NCOP to support the Bill was ratified.

43. The House adjourned at 17:20.

Dr G A LAWRENCE
Secretary to Provincial Parliament