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THURSDAY, 18 JUNE 2015

- 1. The House met at 14:15.
- 2. The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.
- 3. [14:17] The Speaker made a general ruling regarding the application of Standing Rule 203 (1)(b) namely, unused portions of time allotted for Interpellations.
- 4. [14:19] Interpellations.
- 5. [14:50] Questions.
- 1. [15:57] Statements by Members.
- 7. [16:23] Minister D Plato made an executive statement with regards to alleged unfair aspersions cast against the leadership of the Western Cape Department of Community Safety as well as against the Premier of the Western Cape.
- 8. [16:53] Notice of Motions.
- 9. [17:01] Mr M Mngasela moved without notice: That the House:-
 - (a) extends its condolences to the family, friends and fellow sportsmen of the former Black Springbok rugby captain, Thompson Magxala who died in Cape Town on June, 14 at the age of 73 after a long illness;
 - (b) notes that Mr Magxala captained the Leopards, also known as the African XV, of the South African Rugby Board against the British Lions touring team in 1974 and was honoured for his contribution to rugby during apartheid; and
 - (c) acknowledges that he was one of more than 40 previous and current rugby captains who were honoured in 2013 by casting their hands and signatures in clay.

Agreed to.

10. Mr R T Olivier moved without notice: That the House condemns the recent killing of another Bredasdorp teenager Elba Japhta (14) and commends the good work by SAPS for arresting the accused.

Agreed to.

11. Mr R B Lentit moved without notice: That the House congratulates Dr du Preez van Staden and fellow researchers, at the University of Stellenbosch, for the study carried out on the bacteria-rich fynbos soil that could assist in the fight against resistant infections.

Agreed to.

12. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House wishes the Muslim community Ramadaan Kareem. May this holy time be blessed and a spiritually fulfilled month.

Agreed to.

13. Ms L J Botha without notice: That the House sends its condolences to the family of Mr Melvin Fourie, the principal of Edendale Primary School in Manenberg, who passed away on Monday, 15 June 2015.

Agreed to.

14. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Cape Traditional Singers, the Cape Malay Choir that will be performing in Amsterdam as part of the Netherlands' biggest annual festival, and the Holland Festival which is currently underway until 23 June 2015.

Agreed to.

15. Mr S G Tyatyam moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Department of Trade and Industry that took a group of 28 South African Leather and Footwear manufacturers and Western Cape entrepreneurs to China on a three-month shoe design and manufacturing techniques capacity building programme.

Agreed to.

16. Mr F C Christians moved without notice: That the House congratulates a teenager from Mitchells Plain, Khalid Bosch (18), who abandoned the life of drugs and gangsterism and went back to school and will be completing matric this year so that he could fulfil his dream of becoming a chef.

Agreed to.

17. Ms L J Botha moved without notice: That the House acknowledges and commends the passion and drive of Dr du Toit and Sister Whittles in their management of Swellendam Hospital which has become an excellent example of healthcare.

Agreed to.

- 18. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House
 - (a) commends the Western Cape Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport for supporting safer initiations by providing advanced first aid training to traditional surgeons and initiations carers; and
 - (b) notes that the first 43 surgeons and carers received accredited training in Cape Town from 10-12 June 2015, and a similar training event was held in Oudtshoorn from the 17 19 June.

Agreed to

19. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House acknowledges that the Blombos Cave in the Blombosfontein Nature Reserve in Southern Cape and the Elandsfontein Fossil Dune Site on the West Coast have been declared Provincial Heritage sites.

Agreed to.

20. Ms L J Botha moved without notice: That the House notes the commendable passion and drive with which Ms Kleinhans, the principal of Kleinfontein Primary School in Swellendam manages the farm school that has received accolades.

Agreed to.

21. Ms D Gopie moved without notice: That the House condemns the recent manhandling and lockup of Cape Argus health reporter Siphokazi Fokazi at the Chestnut Clinic in Belhar where she exposed the fact that patients were consulted in open space.

Agreed to.

22. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House congratulates Jemima Kleinbooi and Sheline Bothma from Bonnievale who participated in the Eden/Cape Winelands Drama Festival and notes that this hard work has afforded them the opportunity to attend a 10-day programme at Stellenbosch University where they will receive in-depth training on different aspects of theatre.

Agreed to.

- 23. Ms B A Schäfer moved without notice: That the House:-
 - (a) extends its condolences to the family and friends of Jenna Lowe, the young girl who fought so bravely with a degenerative disease called pulmonary arterial hypertension;
 - (b) notes that Jenna was unable to make it to her 21st birthday in October this year; and
 - (c) honour her memory by supporting her campaign #GetMeTo21 raising awareness for organ donors.

Agreed to.

24. Mr K E Magaxa moved without notice: That the House welcomes the Constitutional Court ruling against the repayments of Mr Mark Shuttleworth an amount of R250 million.

Agreed to

- 25. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House
 - (a) commends Minister Anroux Marais and her department for officially launching the partnership between the Western Cape Government and Dreamfields on Youth Day, 16 June 2015; and
 - (b) notes that this partnership will offer youth across the Western Cape the opportunity to take part in sporting activities and talk about issues in their communities.

Agreed to.

26. Ms B A Schäfer moved without notice: That the House congratulates Rustenberg Wines as the recipient of the Old Mutual Trophy for Most Successful Producer Overall, at the prestigious Wine Show at the CTICC last Friday.

Agreed to.

27. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House congratulates Bafana Bafana for their 2-1 win over Angola in the international friendly held at Cape Town Stadium on Tuesday, 16 June 2015 and thank the spectators who came out in their droves in support of our boys.

Agreed to.

28. Mr M Mnqasela moved without notice: That the House recognizes the writer and motivational speaker Anthea van der Pluym of Hermanus, a victim of violence, abuse and a burn survivor for turning tragedy into feat, and changed these challenges into opportunities and thank her for her contributions to the construction of alternative, burnsafe and green economic homes in Zwelihle, constructed with 3500, 2 litre recycled bottles, and providing work for at least 40 people thereby making a positive contribution to address the chronic housing challenge in our country.

Agreed to.

- 29. Mr C M Dugmore moved without notice: That the House
 - (a) notes the need for mobility, especially in rural areas and between rural areas and urban centres, further noting economic benefits that flow, including agriculture, tourism and affordable public transport,
 - (b) further notes the current state of the rail line and the infrequent trips along the Overberg and Southern Cape line, and
 - (c) believing firstly, that mobility is critical to the success of the National Development Plan, that with improvement in the quality of the line an increased number and types of trips will boost economic transformation in these two regions, and believing finally that a co-operative approach is required between all spheres of government and Transnet; and
 - (d) therefore resolves to request the National Ministers of Transport and Public Enterprises to urgently convene a discussion with all role players in the Overberg and Southern Cape to consider the possible alternatives to improve the quality, diversity and the regularity of this critical railway link.

Agreed to.

- 30. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House congratulates AB de Villiers for receiving five awards at the 2015 Cricket South Africa Awards held on 3 June 2015; these include:
 - South African Cricketer of the Year for the second successive year;
 - ODI Cricketer of the Year:
 - South Africa's Players Player of the Year;
 - South Africa's Fans' Player of the Year; and
 - His record-breaking fastest ODI century won him the 'So Good' Award.

Agreed to.

31. Ms B A Schäfer moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Victoria & Alfred Hotel on earning a Hall of Fame award from Trip Advisor, in recognition of consistently stellar service and that excellent service is key to creating more jobs in the Western Cape's Tourism industry.

Agreed to.

- 32. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House
 - (a) notes the two officials from the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport who were recently charged with fraud and corruption; and
 - (b) further notes that the alleged corruption occurred between April 2008 and March 2009 under the ANC administration.

Agreed to.

33. [17:15] FIRST ORDER

Consideration of Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on the *Financial and Fiscal Commission Amendment Bill* [B 1B – 2015] (NCOP), dated 9 June 2015 (See Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, No 47, dated 11 June 2015, p 155) (Ratification of final mandate).

Debate concluded.

The mandate conferring authority on the Western Cape Provincial Parliament's delegation in the NCOP not to support the Bill was ratified (ANC dissenting).

34. The House adjourned at 17:34.

H FAKIRA Secretary to Provincial Parliament