

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

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THURSDAY, 24 MAY 2018

1. The House met at 14:15.
2. The Deputy Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.
3. [14:16] The Chief Whip moved without notice: That, notwithstanding Rule 198, precedence be given to the Speaker's debate.
Agreed to.
4. [14:17] Speaker's Debate.
Africa Day – "Winning the fight against corruption – a sustainable path to Africa's transformation."
Debate concluded.
5. [15:18] Interpellation.
6. [15:31] Questions.
7. [17:01] Questions to the Premier without notice.
8. [17:28] Statements by Members.
9. [17:47] Notices of Motion.
10. [17:52] Mr T A Simmers moved without notice: That the House notes and congratulates the Hessequa Municipality on becoming the first municipality in South Africa to commission a solar-powered desalination plant at Witsand; further notes that the plant will produce 100 kl of water per day, powered by solar energy only, and finally notes that it will have an increased capacity of 300 kl per day during the festive season.
Agreed to.
11. Ms C F Beerwinkel moved without notice: That the House expresses its sincere condolences to the family of two learners – Sandiswa Mabitshi, a Grade 7 learner at the VRT Pitt Primary School and Anishia Mabitshi, Grade 9 learner at the Swellendam Senior Secondary School, – who lost their lives in a horrific accident on the road between Ashton and Swellendam on Saturday; notes that they were cousins; and also notes that a third learner is still unconscious in hospital.
Agreed to.

12. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House congratulates Jaden Molander from Mitchells Plain on his selection to participate in the National Kumite Karate Championships; and expresses the hope that he will achieve national colours.

Agreed to.

13. Ms P Z Lekker moved without notice: That the House notes that the police has launched Operation Thunder, which will be carried out by members of specialised units to deal with crime and gangs in the Western Cape; notes further that this operation is part of a national iron-fisted approach in which tactical response teams and tracking teams will be included in a high-risk intelligence operation to fight cash-in-transit heists, armed robbery, gangsterism, murder, taxi violence and political killings; and commends the SAPS and Minister Cele for this decisive move.

Agreed to.

14. Mr B D Kivedo moved without notice: That the House welcomes the Western Cape's pass rate in the 2017 National Senior Certificate examinations, which increased from 82,8% to 84,3% upon the completion of the supplementary examinations in February and March 2018; notes that a total of 933 candidates passed the supplementary examinations, while an additional 105 candidates passed matric after successfully applying for remarking; and further notes that this means an additional 1 038 candidates have now achieved their National Senior Certificate in 2017.

Agreed to.

15. Ms C F Beerwinkel moved without notice: That the House expresses its sincere gratitude to the Minister of Sport and Recreation, the first female Minister of Sport, Ms Tokozile Xasa, and Deputy Minister Gert Oosthuizen for hosting the opening of the Railton Sports Centre at Swellendam, which was built with a generous allocation from the conditional grant for the upgrading of sports facilities; and conveys its trust that the Swellendam Municipality will comply with the Minister's vision to use sport to transform and unite communities.

Agreed to.

16. Ms M N Gillion moved without notice: That the House commiserates with the family and friends of two Overberg residents who were murdered in separate killings, namely Romano Louw from Genadendal and Heinico Goliath from Greyton.

Agreed to.

17. Mr N D Nkondlo moved without notice: That the House notes with concern that the fumbling of Minister Grant has led to the death of more people in taxi-related violence in Delft; notes further that on Monday morning Nazeem Daniels, the head of the Delft-Cape Town Taxi Association was murdered at the Delft taxi rank; implores Minister Grant to impose innovative measures to bring this war to an end; and conveys condolences to the Daniels family.

Agreed to.

18. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House notes that 25 May 2018 is Africa Day, wishes everyone on the mother continent a very happy Africa Day; and conveys the wish that we may all celebrate our cultures and be united in our diversity.

Agreed to.

19. Ms M N Gillion moved without notice: That the House conveys its condolences to the family, friends and comrades of stalwart unifier and community leader of Grabouw, Ms Thembisa Nqoloba, who had passed away. Hamba Kahle Umkhonto!
Agreed to.
20. Ms P Z Lekker moved without notice: That the House notes with concern that gang wars in the province continue to claim the lives of innocent people in communities; further notes the killing of two mothers in separate incidents in Bonteheuwel and Uitsig, which left eight children orphaned; and finally notes that the carnage of men, women and children continues unabated.
Agreed to.
21. Ms C F Beerwinkel moved without notice: That the House conveys its heartiest and most sincere congratulations to the four players from Railton Swellendam who have been chosen for the national football trails of the Homeless World Cup in 2018; notes that these trials are taking place between 24 and 27 May 2018; and thanks the Oasis Foundation for taking care of the players during this period.
Agreed to.
22. Mr M Mnqasela moved without notice: That the House condemns the irresponsible behaviour of the Economic Freedom Fighters and its leadership in encouraging the illegal occupation of public and private land; and further notes that these acts are tantamount to the incitement of violence with a view to causing harm and economic sabotage and contains elements of espionage.
Agreed to.
23. Ms L M Maseko moved without notice: That the House extends its condolences to the family of the late Mr Nazeem “Arab” Daniels and the taxi community of Delft.
Agreed to.
24. Mr K E Magaxa moved without notice: That the House notes the announcement by South Africa’s President Cyril Ramaphosa that he is donating half of his annual salary to the Nelson Mandela Foundation for charitable work; and congratulates him for setting the example in the national government’s Thuma Mina campaign.
Agreed to.
25. Mr S G Tyatyam moved without notice: That the House congratulates and welcomes the production “InHisQuest”, which is directed by Mandla Mbothwe; notes that “InHisQuest” embodies a continuation of the pursuit for meaning in Steve Bantu Biko’s statement and mission to achieve a society with a more human face; further notes that addresses the yearning to bring back “Inkomo Zobawo” to complete the liberation of black people, Isidima Somntu Omyama Masibuye; and finally notes that Mandla holds an MA from UCT, where he is a senior lecturer, that he has been the artistic director of many plays as well as and a student activist and former chairperson of Tosco and Cosas.
Agreed to.
26. The House adjourned at 18:15.

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