

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

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THURSDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER 2017

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
Heritage Month.
Debate concluded.
5. [15:26] Question.
6. [15:34] Questions to the Premier without notice.
7. [16:02] Statements by Members.
8. [16:18] Notices of Motion.
9. [16:19] Mr N E Hinana moved without notice: That the House expresses its heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of the pilot who died today when his chopper crashed in the Strand. May his soul rest in peace.
Agreed to.
10. Mr L H Max moved without notice: That the House notes and congratulates the 18-year-old Lauren Louw from Delft for obtaining her national colours in aerobics; not only is this Grade 12 learner excelling in sports, but she is a top academic performer at Rosendaal High School; this young girl is a true inspiration and an example of how you can overcome difficult circumstances.
Agreed to.

11. Ms N D Nkondlo moved without notice: That the House notes that farm strikes may return if there is no intervention from the relevant authorities in certain areas; notes further that the Robertson Winery is again at loggerheads with the farmworkers' union CSAAWU over wages and working conditions; supports the demand for better working and living conditions, as well as better wages for these vulnerable workers; and calls for the employer and its producers to prioritise the needs of workers.

Agreed to.

12. Ms L T Botha moved without notice: That the House mourns the loss of and sends condolences to the Hendricks family who tragically lost their father Granville Hendricks and son Adrian Fortuin in a vehicle crash on the N7 near Clanwilliam this past Saturday.

Agreed to.

13. Mr B D Kivedo moved without notice: That the House congratulates Timothy Schlesinger of Rondebosch Boys' High School who was named "top senior" in the national Mathematics Olympiad at the SA Mathematics Foundation Awards this past weekend; this is another outstanding achievement from a Western Cape learner as almost 100 000 learners from across the country took part in the competition; last month, Timothy also received an honourable mention in the 58th International Mathematics Olympiad; being aware that the preparation time needed to take part in a competition such as this immense, Timothy Schlesinger must therefore be congratulated on his success in the competition.

Agreed to.

14. Mr M Mngasela moved without notice: That the House notes the 26th edition of the Hermanus Whale Festival that will be held at Hermanus from 29 September until 1 October 2017; this festival is the oldest and largest on the Cape whale coast in South Africa and celebrates all marine life; it presents to family, friends and visitors the opportunity to be entertained by music, exhibitions, arts and crafts, as well as the opportunity to experience an interactive marine-themed eco village. Qina Mhlali Qina!

Agreed to.

15. Ms P Z Lekker moved without notice: That the House welcomes the arrests of two suspects over the weekend for the possession of illegal firearms in Cape Town, including a 55-year-old man who was arrested in Philippi East after an AK47 and ammunition was discovered at his home; and urges the SAPS to do all they can to fight crime and gangs in the province.

Agreed to.

16. Ms L T Botha moved without notice: That the House mourns the loss of and sends condolences to the Van Wyk family who tragically lost 15-year-old Donovan van Wyk in a vehicle crash on the N7 near Clanwilliam this past Saturday.

Agreed to.

17. Mr K E Magaxa moved without notice: That the House notes the passing away of former Umkhonto we Sizwe combatant Patrick Presence who died this week after a long battle with dementia at the age of 59; notes further that the ANC has lost a loyal member and a brave combatant who sacrificed his life in pursuit of the struggle against apartheid and for justice; and conveys its deepest condolences to the family, friends and comrades.

Agreed to.

18. Ms L T Botha moved without notice: That the House notes and welcomes the miraculous recovery of 11-year-old Sanda Matshayana who was suffering from short bowel syndrome; this young boy from Mfuleni was only given months to live because he only had 26% of his intestines left; commends Minister Madikizela who, after learning about Sanda's illness and his desire to meet Lusanda Mcinga, one of his favourite gospel idols, helped him to realise his dream.

Agreed to.

19. Mr R T Olivier moved without notice: That the House notes as totally unacceptable that a large number of primary and secondary school learners tested positive for drugs in 53 schools in the province; notes further that a total of 360 primary school learners from 36 schools were tested for drugs and of these 229 tested positive; a total of 605 high school learners from 17 schools were tested for drugs and of these 415 tested positive; and calls for these tests to be expanded to all schools in the province in order to understand the severity of the situation.

Agreed to.

20. Mr C M Dugmore moved without notice: That the House notes the increasing number of cases of corporal punishment and assault by teachers on learners in Western Cape schools; and calls on the WCED to accelerate its investigation into the incident at Ottery Methodist Primary School where it is reported that learners are scared of a teacher who allegedly hurled chairs at them and called them derogatory names.

Agreed to.

21. Mr B D Kivedo moved without notice: That the House welcomes the first EduWeek to Cape Town; EduWeek Cape Town, hailed as the only all-encompassing education event in sub-Saharan Africa, brings together educational professionals across the fields of technology, vocational training and higher education, basic education, inclusive education, as well as early childhood development, and offers the perfect platform in which to view, evaluate and buy new solutions for all the education institutions while attending free training sessions dedicated to delegates' specific needs; the theme for the Cape Town launch is "Future-Focused Education" and will elaborate on educational development in the Western Cape and beyond; we must congratulate Tanya Jackman, the Event Director, and her team for bringing this event to Cape Town; by doing so they are offering the Western Cape education community the chance to network with leaders, strategic thinkers and entrepreneurs from Africa and across the globe in their own province.

Agreed to.

22. Ms P Z Lekker moved without notice: That the House notes and welcomes the arrests of two suspects by the National Intervention Unit and organised-crime detectives in connection with murder of Octavia Johannessen (16) from Hanover Park who was shot and killed in August; and commends the SAPS for the good job they have done in investigating the murder.

Agreed to.

23. Ms L T Botha moved without notice: That the House notes and congratulates Peter and Berindina Rosen, residents of Bishop Lavis, who will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on 20 October 2017.

Agreed to.

24. Mr M Mngasela moved without notice: That the House:
- (a) notes with great sadness the passing away of Mr Lodewicus van Loenen Coetzee on 16 July 2017;
 - (b) notes that Mr Coetzee was the father of Adv Anton Coetzee, Speaker of the Overstrand Municipality and chairperson of SALGA Western Cape;
 - (c) further notes that Mr Coetzee was an established businessman of the Hermanus community and a philanthropist who was loved by many in his town; and
 - (d) further notes that Mr Coetzee was the last mayor of Greater Hermanus and served at the helm of the municipality until amalgamation during the establishment of Overstrand Municipality in 2000.

May his soul rest in peace.

Agreed to.

25. Mr M Mngasela moved without notice: That the House:
- (a) notes with great sadness the passing away of Ms Caroline Hope Coetzee on 14 September 2017;
 - (b) notes that Ms Coetzee was the mother of Adv Anton Coetzee, Speaker of the Overstrand Municipality and chairperson of SALGA Western Cape; and
 - (c) further notes that her death happened hardly two months after the passing of her husband Lodewicus Coetzee.

May her soul rest in peace.

Agreed to.

26. [16:40] FIRST ORDER

Consideration of Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on its oversight visit to Kenilworth dated 19 April 2017 (See Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, p 266, dated 4 September 2017).

Debate concluded.

Report adopted

27. [16:45] SECOND ORDER

Consideration of Report of the Standing Committee on Transport and Public Works on its oversight visit to the George Provincial Traffic Centre, the George Municipality and George Link (Pty) Ltd dated 25 July 2017 (See Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, p 280, dated 14 September 2017).

Debate concluded.

Report adopted

28. [16:53] The Chief Whip moved: That notwithstanding the provision of Rule 18, the hours of sitting on Friday, 29 September 2017 shall be: 09:00 to adjournment.

Agreed to.

29. [16:54] Mr M G E Wiley: That an ad hoc committee be established to investigate and report whether the honourable members as indicated deliberately misled the House during the sittings of the House on 4 May 2017 (Leader of the Opposition and Member Dugmore) and 24 August 2017 (Leader of the Opposition and Member Olivier), when they made the following statements:

- (1) “She later called Africans refugees.” (Leader of the Opposition)
- (2) “Most recently she exposed her adoration for colonial apartheid.” (Leader of the Opposition)
- (3) “The Premier in this very House, referring to black ANC women members, said: All they are good for is to collect “padkos” (food for the road) after meetings and drive home.” (Member Dugmore)
- (4) “Then we had the refugee tweet. No sincere apology about the hurt, because in her consciousness she has done nothing wrong.” (Member Dugmore)
- (5) “She spends a lot of time abroad to study the good aspects of apartheid and racist colonialism ...” (Leader of the Opposition)
- (6) “It is the same MEC that forges ahead to turn our schools into shebeens.” (Member Olivier),

and that the committee consists of four members of the DA, two members of the ANC and one member of the ACDP.

[17:03] The ANC Members withdrew from the Chamber.

Debate concluded.

Motion agreed to.

30. The House adjourned at 17:05.

Dr G A LAWRENCE
Secretary to Provincial Parliament