

PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

ORDER PAPER

THURSDAY, 12 MAY 2022

HOUSE: 14:15

INTERPELLATIONS

QUESTIONS

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

MOTIONS

SUBJECT FOR DISCUSSION

Mr C M Dugmore: The commitment to a non-racial and united South Africa.

DRAFT RESOLUTION

1. Ms M M Wenger: That the House in terms of Rule 119 of the Standing Rules appoints an ad-hoc committee to investigate and report on:
 - (a) The appropriateness of the number of seats allocated to the Western Cape Provincial Parliament more than 20 years ago, given the population growth and the movement of people across provinces; and
 - (b) whether the current number of seats is sufficient to represent the people of the Western Cape optimally.
2. The Committee shall consist of 15 Members appointed in terms of Rule 120 of the Standing Rules with the membership allocated as follows:
 - (a) Democratic Alliance: 8 Members
 - (b) African National Congress: 2 Members
 - (c) Economic Freedom Fighters: 1 Member
 - (d) GOOD: 1 Member
 - (e) African Christian Democratic Alliance: 1 Member
 - (f) Freedom Front Plus: 1 Member
 - (g) Al Jama-ah: 1 Member
3. The names of the Members representing the aforementioned political parties must be submitted to the Speaker of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament as soon as possible for publication in the ATC.

ORDER OF THE DAY

1. Consideration of report of the Ad-hoc Committee on COVID-19 dated 6 May 2022 (see Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, No 51, dated 10 May 2022, p 213).

FURTHER BUSINESS**NOTICE OF MOTION (12 May 2022)**

1. Mr F C Christians: That the House debates the necessity of entrance examinations required for admission to high schools (*Saturday Argus* 7 May 2022, Murphy Nganga).
2. Mr D America: That the House debates the state of rail services and the devolution of rail services to the Western Cape provincial government and the City of Cape Town following the National Treasury's approval for the City to conduct a feasibility study to take over the rail system.
3. Mr A van der Westhuizen: That the House debates the impact of flora and fauna poaching in the Western Cape and ways to mitigate this illegal trade.
4. Ms N G Bakubaku-Vos: That the House notes with concern the abuse of power and illegal conduct by the DA administration in appointing its members who contested and lost wards to the ANC as administrators in the offices of ANC ward councillors; condemns this untoward and unbecoming conduct; and calls for an urgent intervention to halt this practice and an urgent investigation into this illegal practice and abuse of power.
5. Ms R Windvogel: That the House debates the need for National Health Insurance to improve public healthcare and to bring about equitable health services.
6. Mr A Lili: That the House debates the challenge of land occupation and the suitability of the government's response and plans to accelerate informal settlement development.

NOTICES OF MOTION (5 May 2022)

1. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes with a deep sense of concern the entrenched culture of racism in former Model C schools that continues to rear its ugly head across the province; calls on the provincial government to put strict measures in place to prevent and to deal decisively with the demon of racism in schools; notes further that three Grade 11 learners at the Stellenzicht Secondary School in Stellenbosch were racially abused by a fellow learner who referred to them by the K word, allegedly in the presence of teachers, and the learner was only ordered to apologise for this; calls on the school to provide the affected learners with psychosocial support; and further calls on the WCED to reprimand the teachers and impose stricter sanctions for racism at schools.
2. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes with deep concern the persistent learner transport challenges, which have left scores of learners stranded in Moorreesburg this morning; further notes that the crisis is exacerbated by the shortage of buses and spaces, the poor conditions of these buses and lack of cooperation from the bus owner in question; and calls on the incoming Minister of Education to find solutions to this challenge affecting our learners in poor and rural areas.
3. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes and expresses deep shock and concern about media reports that over 70 learners from Eerste River have not been placed in schools as at May 2022; further notes that this is a persistent challenge as, at May 2021, over 700 learners from the area were yet to be placed in schools; concedes that the learner

placement challenges are part of the systematic failures left unattended by the outgoing Minister; and calls on the incoming Minister of Education to put measures in place to address the challenge of insufficient placement spaces in schools.

4. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes and condemns the Mondale High School in Mitchells Plain for wilfully contravening the South African Schools Act by forcing learners who applied to the school to write competency tests in the form of an entrance examination for Grade 8; notes further that, despite the Act clearly stating that governing bodies of public schools may not administer any tests related to the admission of a learner to a public school, the WCED has failed to address the matter when it was brought to its attention by a concerned parent; and calls on the outgoing Minister to intervene urgently against this illegal act.
5. Ms N Makamba-Botya: That the House notes that yesterday young nurses marched to the national departments of Health and Treasury in Pretoria calling for the permanent employment of nurses who were hired on short-term contracts during the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic; notes that these nurses also took an opportunity to outline the horrible conditions they are subjected to in these health institutions around the country but they still persevered; notes that the Western Cape Department of health is also not immune to all of this because when provincial health institutions are under strain, they always turn to these nurses for assistance, but when there is a room for them to be made permanent, the Department looks the other way; and continues to motivate that these young nurses continue with the struggle of fighting for permanency in order to assist the poor and those who are sick.
6. Ms N Makamba-Botya: That the House notes that yesterday three bystanders plus a police officer were shot during an attempted cash-in-transit heist in Eerste River; notes that the bystanders included a male, a female (aged 40) and a male elderly person age 76; notes that this is one in a series of violent crimes and robberies that continue to affect the Western Cape; notes that it also shows that these criminals now operate with impunity and will not even be deterred by the men in blue uniform; and notes that crime in the Western Cape is a serious issue and, unless those in power do something about it, the province will continue to remain in a state of anarchy.

See also: Mr G Brinkhuis (p 8); Mr F C Christians (p 8); Ms N Bakubaku-Vos (p 9); Ms L J Botha (p 9); Ms P Z Lekker (p 9); Ms D M Baartman (p 9); Mr M K Sayed (p 9); Mr L L Mvimbi (p 9); Mr C M Dugmore (p 9); Mr M Kama (p 9); Ms R Windvogel (p 9).