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THURSDAY, 4 JULY 2024

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

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[Hybrid Sitting held with some members present in the House and some in virtual attendance through Microsoft Teams]

The House met at 14:15.

The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.

**BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE**

The SPEAKER: Good afternoon, hon members. I trust that everybody has been connected to participate in this Sitting of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament in terms of Rule 1(a) of the Standing Rules, with all our hon members in remote attendance by electronic means. Allow me to highlight some of the important housekeeping rules for this Sitting.

Decorum requirements for the Sitting of the House are provided for in the Constitution and the Standing Rules. Unless there is an indication of a

unanimous concurrence, voting will take place by hon members present and entitled to cast their vote by clearly identifying themselves to the Presiding Officer, verbally expressing their votes. Hon members who are present via Microsoft Teams have all the privileges and immunities imparted by law. Hon members who are considered out of order by the Presiding Officer, will have their microphones muted and will be called to order. The Sergeant-at-Arms will record hon members' attendance.

Hon members, in the instances where these directives do not cover a particular eventuality, the Standing Rules must apply. In instances where the Rules cannot be applied, the ruling by the Presiding Officer is final. Hon members, all microphones have been muted and you are requested to use the 'raise hand' functionality of the system when you desire to raise a point of order, and I will recognise you. Hon members are requested to please ensure that their microphones are unmuted when the Presiding Officer recognises them and when they are done speaking, to please mute their microphone.

The media have also been granted access to this MS Teams meeting as guests of the WCPP. However, I would wish to remind the members of the press that they may not use the chatroom or speak or activate their cameras while this Sitting is in progress. For this Sitting, hon members, language translation services are available on Microsoft Teams via the respective channels.

Hon members I wish to remind you that no interjections are permitted during these virtual Sittings and to this end, I wish to draw your attention to Rule 40

of our Standing Rules. I will now allow the Secretary to read the First Order of the Day.

The SECRETARY: Consideration of the Report of the Rules Committee of 25 June 2024 on the proposed allocation of the Whips per party, the composition of the Programming Authority, the allocation of committees, the representation on committees and the nomination of a member as trustee representing the Western Cape Provincial Parliament on the Political Office Bearers' Pension Fund Board of Trustees, namely hon member A W Bredell as the trustee and hon member D J Wessels as the alternate.

The SPEAKER: Thank you very much, hon Secretary. Hon members, are there any objections?

An HON MEMBER: No objections.

The SPEAKER: Honourable, I recognise the hon Bans. Hon Bans, is that an objection?

The LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION: No, hon Speaker. Hon Speaker, I just want the House to note while welcoming the report of the Rules Committee, I would want the House to note that I have not received any formal written response on a request that I tabled on the allocation of the Whips, that was indicated at the Rules Committee that it is six per Whip. So, I have not got any written response on the matter. Thank you, hon Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Thank you very much, hon Bans. I note your comment. I then put the question to the House: are there any objections for the report to be adopted?

An HON MEMBER: No objections.

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The MINISTER OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS: No.

The SPEAKER: No objections, agreed to. I recognise the Chief Whip of the Majority Party.

## **MOTIONS**

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Thank you very much, hon Speaker and good afternoon. Hon Speaker, I rise on a motion in my name:

That in terms of Section 6(3)(b) of the Remuneration of Public Office Bearers Act of 1998 Act 20 of 1998, the upper limits of the salary and allowances of the Premier of the Western Cape as proclaimed by the President of the Republic of South Africa by Proclamation 167 of 2024 published in *Government Gazette* 50757 dated 5 June, be determined as the salary and allowances of the Premier of the Western Cape. I so

move.

*[Motion as moved by Member.]*

The SPEAKER: Thank you very much, hon Bosman. Hon members, are there any objections to the motion being moved?

An HON MEMBER: No objection.

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The MINISTER OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS: No.

The SPEAKER: No objections, agreed to. I recognise the Chief Whip of the Majority Party.

The CHIEF WHIP (DA): Hon Speaker, through you I move:

That the following members be appointed in accordance with Standing Rule 24 to act as temporary Presiding Officers: hon Kaizer-Philander, hon Van Minnen, hon Wessels, hon Nkondlo, hon Petrus, and hon Lithakong. I so move.

*[Motion as moved by Member.]*

The SPEAKER: Thank you very much, hon Bosman. Hon members, are there any objections to the motion being moved?

An HON MEMBER: No objections.

The MINISTER OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS: No.

The SPEAKER: No objections, agreed to. And just for the record, that is Order 3 on the Order Paper for 4 July 2024, and that is just for record purposes.

Hon members, that concludes the business for the day. My apologies to the Table staff. We have concluded Order 3 of the Order Paper. Hon members, that concludes the business for the day. The Secretary will now end the meeting and all members will be exited from the Sitting. The house is adjourned.

The House adjourned at 14:24.