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Western Cape Provincial Parliament  
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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

Wednesday, 18 October 2017 (at 08h00), Chamber, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Cape Town

**PRESENT**

**Members:**

**Democratic Alliance**

Kivedo, BD (Chairperson)  
Botha, LJ  
Mitchell, D (alternate)

**African National Congress**

Olivier, RT

**African Christian Democratic Party**

Christians, FC

**Apologies**

Max, L (DA)

**Persons in attendance**

**Department officials**

See attached attendance register

**1. Discussion on the Annual Report of the Western Cape Education Department (WCED) for the 2016/2017 financial year**

Before proceeding to the consideration of the report, the Minister of Education, Ms D Schäfer and the Head of Department, Mr B Schreuder were given an opportunity to make opening remarks.

Members of the Committee deliberated on Part A: General Information, Part B: Departmental Programme Performance and Part D: Human Resource Management of the Department's Annual Report.

Members of the public were given an opportunity to provide input on the Annual Report of the Western Cape Education Department. Mr M Mbiko of the Nyanga Tourism-Platform and Mr M Gabier from the Progressive Professionals Forum for the Western Cape were afforded an opportunity to make an oral submission on the Annual Report of the Department. The HOD duly responded to the questions and statements posed by Mr Mbiko and Mr Gabier.

The Committee deliberated on the discussion of the Annual Report of the Western Cape Education Department.

## **2. Concerns**

In terms of Standing Rules 86, the following minority views were expressed:

- 2.1. The African National Congress raised a concern that the Minister of Education, Ms D Schäfer, left the meeting early because she had to attend a Cabinet meeting, scheduled at the same time as the Annual Report of the WCED.
- 2.2. The African Christian Democratic Party and the African National Congress raised a concerns that the proposed amendments of the on the Western Cape Provincial School Education Act (Act 12 of 1997) makes provision for the consumption or sale of alcohol on school premises or during school activities subject to conditions. This inclusion will have a negative impact on schools across the province, given the challenges of alcohol abuse in poorer communities.

## **3. Information requested**

The Committee REQUESTED that the WCED provides the following information by 15 January 2018:

- 3.1. An analysis/breakdown of the bursary allocations for 2016/2017. The breakdown should indicate bursaries by district.
- 3.2. An analysis of the 37 dismissal and misconduct cases. The breakdown should include types of charges, gender, reasons for dismissal.
- 3.3. A breakdown of the 14 764 termination cases. The breakdown should include whether it was Mathematics or Language teachers, their gender and the specific areas.
- 3.4. A breakdown of the ten unregistered independent schools. The breakdown should include the areas, number of learners registered at the schools and language taught in.
- 3.5. A report on the absenteeism rates of teachers, by district, for the 2016/2017 financial year.
- 3.6. A report on the eight schools that have been closed as indicated in the Annual Report. This report should include the location, capacity and where those learners have been accommodated.

The meeting adjourned at 13:10



**MR BD KIVEDO, MPP**  
**CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**  
**WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT**

**Date:**