



NATIONAL ASSEMBLY PROGRAMME COMMITTEE

Chairperson:
Speaker of the National Assembly

Committee Secretary:
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DRAFT MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 9 March 2023 [Virtual]

Present:

N N Mapisa-Nqakula (Speaker)

Boroto, M G (House Chairperson)	Majodina, P C P (Chief Whip of the Majority Party)
Dlakude, D E (Deputy Chief Whip of the Majority Party)	Mente, N V
Frolick, C T (House Chairperson)	Mkhaliphi, H O
Gwarube, S (Chief Whip of the Opposition)	Mulder, Dr C P
Hendricks, M G E	Ntlangwini, E N
Herron, B N	Ntombela, M L D (House Chairperson)
Hunsinger, C H H	Papo, A H M (Parliamentary Counsellor to the Deputy President)
Jafta, S M	Shaik Emam, A M
Koornhof, Dr G W (Parliamentary Counsellor to the President)	Shivambu, N F
Kwankwa, N L S	Singh, N
Lesoma, R M M (Programming Whip)	Swart, S N
Lotriet, Dr A	Wessels, W W

Staff in attendance:

Secretary to Parliament Mr X George, Secretary to the National Assembly Mr M Xaso, Ms N Giba (Committees) and Dr T Mbatha (Constitutional and Legal Services Office).

1. Opening

The Speaker opened the meeting at 08:31 and welcomed all present.

2. Apologies

Apologies from Deputy Speaker Mr S L Tsenoli, House Chairpersons Ms M G Boroto and Mr M L D Ntombela, was tendered.

3. Consideration of draft agenda

The draft agenda was adopted, as proposed.

4. Consideration of minutes of 2 March 2023

On the proposal of Mr Singh, seconded by the Chief Whip of the Majority Party, the minutes of 2 March were adopted.

5. Matters arising

Legislation with Constitutional Court deadlines

Mr Xaso indicated that First Reading debates on the Divorce Amendment Bill and Muslim Marriages Amendment Bill were scheduled in a mini-plenary on Thursday, 16 March. The Bills would then be referred to relevant committees for consideration.

The Legal Services unit would continue to follow up with the Department of Home Affairs to confirm the status of the draft Marriage Bill in terms of cabinet processes.

Motion of no confidence in the Speaker

Mr Xaso requested that the matter be considered during the Programme item.

Parliament's Implementation Plan to give effect to the Recommendations in the Report of the Judicial Commission of Inquiry into allegations of State Capture, Corruption and Fraud in the Public Sector, including Organs of State

Filling of vacancies on the South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC) Board

Mr Xaso

6. Report from Committee Section

Ms Giba presented a report on legislation before committees and indicated that the Portfolio Committee on Health had finalised the National Health Insurance Amendment Bill.

The Portfolio Committee on Basic Education had scheduled the rest of the provinces' public hearings on the Basic Education Laws Amendment Bill for the Second Term.

The Portfolio Committee on Sport, Arts and Culture had finalised the report on a petition from artists and members of the public, calling on the Assembly to investigate the commissioning by the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture of the Mzansi National Philharmonic Orchestra at an estimated cost of R54 million, as requested by Mr T W Mhlongo.

The Standing Committee on Finance intended to finalise the Division of Revenue Bill and Second Adjustments Appropriation Bill on 17 March.

7. Report by Bills Office

Dr Mbatha presented a summary on status of legislation and indicated that there were five Bills on the Order Paper for consideration and 29 Bills before committees.

the following legislation had

Following the adoption of the Fiscal Framework and Revenue Proposals the other day, the Division of Revenue Bill and Appropriation Bill had been referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Dr Mbatha also indicated that

8. Consideration of draft Parliamentary programme

The Programming Whip presented the Parliamentary Programme for the First Term and highlighted the following:

Second Reading debates on Housing Consumer Protection Bill, Hate Crimes and Speech Bill were scheduled for Tuesday, 14 March.

Questions for oral reply to the Governance cluster were scheduled for Wednesday, 15 March.

Party motions and First Reading debates on the Divorce Amendment Bill and Muslim Marriages Amendment Bill were scheduled in mini-plenaries on Thursday, 16 March.

The Programming Whip also advised that

9. Announcements

There were no announcements.

10. Closure

The meeting adjourned at 09:54.