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Student Assembly Ordinary Plenary Sitting

MINUTES OF STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY'S STUDENT ASSEMBLY ORDINARY PLENARY SITTING

Held on Thursday 31 August 2023 at Krotoa Building, Room 1012 (Hybrid) at 17:15

Members Present:

Speaker of Assembly: William Villet

Public Relations Officer of Assembly: Dawn Manqoyi

SRC President: Masilo Silokazi

SRC: Bradley Grovers

SRC: Abongile Quthu

SRC: Brady Deveroux

SRC Policy Officer: Banzi Bottoman

Primaria of Aristeia: Courtney de Klerk

Primaria Sonop: Ongezval Tshazi

Ordinary Member: Yanga Keva

PC Chairperson Margra Wevell

DASO Deputy Chair Media and Publicity: Reegan Johnson

Sport Portfolio Graphic Designer/Chief Designer: Anja Hartogh

Society Council Executive: Unam Manakali

Student: Buntu Nogqala

Student: Fatima Mahouassa

Student: Sebastian Paulus

Student: Owam Mbono

Student: Vuyisa Mbusi

Student: Ampitso Tnipa

Student: Solomzi Mphampio

Student: Phiwokuhle Qabaka

Student: Boitshepo Kgoroadira

Student: Kedibone Serifi

Student: Legae Manthata

Student: Joseph Brocken

Student: William Sing

Student: Guillieano Prinsloo

Online Attendees:

Administration Officer of Assembly: Linda Lutywantsi

Kapp S

Pieterse Ernest

Swart, Emma Bower

Majikijela QPX

Van Schalkwyk, E

Albert, I

Roussouw, S

Ditsela, MS

Radebe, T

Members Absent With Apology:

Deputy Speaker of Assembly: Cole Baker, Accountability Officer of Assembly: Alok More

Giba, S

Mbelwa, N

The following points were on the agenda:

1. Opening and Welcoming:

- The Speaker of the House opened the meeting by officially welcoming all members of the committee.
- The Speaker reflected on the Parliament's year activities and thanked all the members for their participation that led to the achievements as he bid farewell to the Assembly.
- In absentia of the Deputy Speaker, the Speaker read the rules of engagement.

2. Policy Forum Amendment:

- The Speaker confirmed that the policy forum has met and have established amendments to the rules of engagement as the rules of engagement that the Assembly is currently using have uncertainties that need to be clarified.
- The Speaker read out the amendments to the members of Assembly they included meeting procedures and how students can raise motions and the procedures for voting for these motions in Parliament.
- The Speaker explained that these amendments can only be adopted by the Assembly after the members of the Assembly have voted the amendments into the rules of engagement. He further gave the members of Assembly the link for voting and encouraged all the members to vote.

3. Setting a Mandate for the Forthcoming SRC:

- The speaker mentioned that this is a new initiative that the Assembly is making to ensure continuity in the SRC's duties for the sake of the students.
- The Speaker mentioned that the first issue that the outgoing SRC wants the incoming SRC to address is the food security in the campus as funding for food has been reduced
- The Speaker mentioned that the second issue that the outgoing SRC wants the incoming SRC to address is women empowerment and gender diverse spaces within the campus.
- The Speaker mentioned that the last issue that the outgoing SRC wants the incoming SRC to address is student leadership in Indaba to ensure the achievement of common goals within the campus.
- It was also stressed that a more sustainable funding model should be sought for the NSFAS crisis currently unfolding.
- A member also suggested that the incoming SRC should make appearances in sports events and other social activities within campus instead of just showing up during crisis.
- Another member mentioned that the incoming SRC should be firm and stand their ground on matters pertaining students.
- The SG of the SRC suggested that the incoming SRC should also tackle the issue shuttle service within the campus to ensure the safety of students when they are engaging in extra studying activities late at night and in the early hours of the morning.
- Sezoe suggested that the incoming SRC should also tackle the issue of using COB and financial literacy amongst students.
- Another member suggested that the incoming SRC should also tackle the issue of political engagement in terms of residence, as students complaint about not being informed about issues that affect them. The member also suggested student leaders should be empowered with First Aid skills to ensure they can assist during medical emergencies on campus.
- Mention was made to have critical engagements mandatory at residences.
- Another member suggested that the incoming SRC should also tackle the issue appropriate and consistent academic support for students with learning disabilities

4. Results Announcement on Amendment:

- The Speaker mentioned that some of the members of the Assembly neglected to exercise their right to vote, he explained that there is 32 members at the venues and more members online but only 18 members voted. He further mentioned that the rules dictate that there must be at

least 25 votes for an amendment to be adopted by Assembly, thus these amendments could not be adopted yet.

- The Speaker pointed out that the incoming Assembly will have to continue to use their own discretion regarding the rules of engagement wherever necessary.

5. General:

- The Speaker bid farewell to the Assembly and wished all the members well

6. Closing:

- The meeting adjourned at 18:23.