REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA

THE HANSARD

Tuesday, 10th March, 2020

The House met at the Assembly Chambers at 2.30 pm.

[Deputy Speaker (Hon. Daniel Nyausi) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

RESUMPTION FROM RECESS

Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, I take this opportunity to welcome you back after a short recess for one week. We have got one Member of our staff who turned out positive due from COVID-19. At the moment she is in a stable condition. We therefore need to take extra caution following the guidelines given by the Ministry of Health.

HEALTH CHECK

You must have realized when you came in there are two health workers at the gate. Any time you are getting in, allow them to check your temperatures. Bottom line, everybody needs to take care of him/herself. Thank you.

PAPERS LAID

Hon. Robert Murage: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I would like to lay the following Papers;

a. First Quarter Laikipia County Executive Members Mortgage Scheme Fund Financial Statement for the quarter ended 30th September, 2020.

b. Laikipia County Budget Review and Outlook Paper, 2020

c. First Quarter for the Laikipia County Cooperative Development Revolving Fund, Financial Year Statement for the period ended 30th September, 2020.

d. First Quarter Report and Financial Statement for the Laikipia County Enterprise Fund.

e. County Government Budget Implementation and Review Report for the Financial Year 2019/2020.

(Hon. Robert Murage laid the Papers on the table)

Deputy Speaker: The Papers laid by Hon. Murage on behalf of the Majority Leader is committed as follows; First Quarter Laikipia County Executive Members Mortgage Scheme Fund

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Financial Statement for the quarter ended 30th September, 2020 stands committed to Finance and Planning.

The second one, Laikipia County Budget Review and Outlook Paper, 2020, stands committed to the Budget Committee. The third one, First Quarter for the Laikipia County Cooperative Development Revolving Fund, Financial Statement for the period ended 30th September, 2020 stands committed to the Trade and Tourism Committee.

The Fourth one, First Quarter Report and Financial Statement for the Laikipia County Enterprise Fund still remains committed to Trade and Tourism Committee. The Fifth one, is the County Government Budget Implementation and Review Report for the Financial Year 2019/2020 is still committed to Budget and Appropriation Committee.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT ON VOCATION TRAINING AND ECDE CENTRES

Hon. Daniel Mugweru: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On behalf of Chairperson for the Education Committee, I would like to request for an extension of time to respond to a Statement on Vocation Training and ECDE Centres in Laikipia. It is a pleasure that we are back in the House having stayed in that recess which was enjoyable. At least we had time to relax wherever one comes from. We were able to meet the people who brought us to this House. It was a good moment for some of us.

Mr. Speaker, having said that, it is important to mention that having come back to this Assembly, as you have communicated about the COVID-19. We need to take a further step and have ourselves tested. Testing temperatures is not enough. We need to move an extra step so that everybody may know his/her status just like the Executive did. As the Assembly we need to have the same so that we may know the status of the person next to you or who you are interacting with.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, such statement was read on the floor of the House on 11th August, 2020, by Hon. Peter Matunge and committed to the Education and ICT Committee on the same day. The Committee received the response from the CECM for Education and Social development REF: CGL/EDU/CAL/1/VOL3/53 dated, 8th September, 2020.

The Committee responded to the Statement in the House on 23rd September, 2020, where the Hon. Member expressed dissatisfaction on a section of the response. The Committee, on 29th September, 2020, requested for clarity on the contentious section from the Executive and is yet to receive a response. It is in the view of the above that the committee is requesting for more time in order to table a response once the CECM responds. Thank you.

Deputy Speaker: Hon. Member, I think it's wise if you could just request for the time you think you will be able to respond so that we can be able to have some guidelines from the table of the Clerk. Propose the time you will be able to respond on this.

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Hon. Daniel Mugweru: Mr. Speaker, it is hard to suggest a specific time because it is not predictable. The reason as to why we are not able to bring that clarity on the sections the Hon. Member was not satisfied is because we have not received response from CECM. We have requested for the same. If I say its next week they might probably not do the same and we might be forced to summon them. That process is unpredictable.

Mr. Speaker, as I have just read, we need more time to table the response once the CECM responds. Thank you.

Deputy Speaker: Hon. Chair, we cannot go as per the CECM's response. She might take all the time she needs. I will give you three weeks to try and see whether by that time she will have responded. If not, you will report back to this House and from there we will see what to do after the three weeks' elapse. Thank you.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, I am sure probably all of us were here when I said one of our staff has tested positive. We need to be extra careful when transacting business here or at home. I will ask Members if we can have a small Kamukunji so that we can highlight where we think there could some laxity and make sure that we are safe.

ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Speaker: This House stands adjourned until tomorrow Wednesday, 28th October, 2020 at 9.00 a.m.

The House rose at 2.45 p.m.

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