

# Student Parliament

*Accountability, Transparency and Consultative Governance*

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## **MINUTES OF STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY'S STUDENT PARLIAMENT EXECUTIVE MEETING**

**HELD ON Thursday 11 February 2021 IN THE Teams Platform AT 18h00**

### **ATTENDANCE:**

#### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

LUKHANYO NGAMLANA	Speaker of Parliament
GRACE MNGADI	Deputy Speaker Internal (Accountability Chair)
CORLIA KRITZINGER	Deputy Speaker External (Secretary General)
MAKS VAN DER BERG	Treasurer
THAMERA NAICKER	Deputy Accountability Chair

#### **ABSENT WITH EXCUSE:**

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#### **ABSENT WITHOUT EXCUSE:**

N/A

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### **AGENDA:**

Topics tabled for discussion are as follows:

1. Welcoming	Speaker
2. General Feedback	Speaker
3. Code of conduct	Speaker
4. List of Demands	Speaker

5. Opening of Parliament	Speaker
6. Constitutional review task team	Speaker
7. Budget Feedback	Treasurer
8. Open Point	N/A
9. Closing	Speaker

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**OPENING BY THE SPEAKER.**

- ▷ Sitting opened at 18:00 by the Speaker.
- ▷ All members formally welcomed to the meeting
- ▷ This meeting is being recorded for minute purposes.

**DISCUSSION:**

# **1. ADMIN AND GENERAL FEEDBACK:**

**▷ Joint Session with Tygerberg**

Tygerberg SP will be available on the 17th of Feb for our joint session in which general year planning will be done and a co-curricular task team will be created

**▷ Treasurers' Forum**

Not everyone has given their contact details within the deadline and the Speaker will contact the SRC to comply

**▷ Routine Updates**

Speaker's standing appointment with the SRC chairperson and Chief Justice will occur soon

Speaker and treasurer have undergone financial literacy training

Communications officer will now receive honorarium

Cooperative governance session will be at 2-4pm on the 23rd of February

#### ▷ **Project P**

SRC has started project P that requires Student Parliament's assistance

We are meant to elect a representative and meant to indicate our level of involvement

A potential issue with joining is some loss of impartiality on SP's side due to the requirement to represent vested interests

Grace (accountability chair) has been nominated as the representative and has accepted

## **2. VISION AND MISSION DISCUSSION:**

The vision and mission draft has been discussed and will be edited and approved within a week so that it can be put on the website as soon as possible.

## **3. STUDENT PARLIAMENT CODE OF CONDUCT**

The code of conduct will remain as is to maintain a level of consistency within the structure.

## **4. LIST OF PRIORITIES FOR THE SRC**

A task team will be created to compile the list that allows for input from the student body and takes cognisance of issues reported on by campus news agencies and past SP issues

Thamera and Lukhanyo (accountability vice chair and speaker) will serve on this task team and will decide what its composition will look like.

## **5. FIRST SITTING**

Proposed date/timeframe is the week of the 5-9th (possibly specifically the 8th). Either a small session will be held with a high quality screen that will be broadcasted to the public or the reading of commitments will be prerecorded. Whether or not this will be in person will be determined by approval by the university and costs.

## **6. CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW PROCESS**

Another consultation session was held with SRC on the proposed amendments to the Student Constitution that affect Student Parliament.

It looks likely that the changes to the constitution will be so drastic that we need to put our constitutional review process on hold until the Student Constitution is finalised. However SP is also unwilling to not work on our outdated constitution at all until then due to how dysfunctional it is.

No decision can be made on the process until a firm commitment has been received from the SRC that they intend to pass the constitution at the end of the first semester.

## **7. BUDGET DISCUSSION PRESENTED BY THE TREASURER**

The registration of vendors and reclamation of funds when members incur expenses on behalf of the committee was explained by Maks as was relayed to him during his financial literacy session with Mr Fritz.

The preliminary budget framework was discussed and shown to the committee.

## **7. OPEN POINT**

No points were raised.

## **8. CLOSING**

The meeting is adjourned at 18:52.