COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KISUMU

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KISUMU

THE HANSARD

Official Report

THIRD ASSEMBLY – SECOND SESSION

Tuesday 20th June, 2023

House met in the Main Chamber at 2:30 p.m.

(The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Nereah Okombo) in the Chair)

PRAYER

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Members, I want to request that pursuant to the provisions of Kisumu County Assembly Standing Order No. 32 (2) that the Serjeant-at-Arms rings the quorum bell for the first five minutes.

(Quorum bell rung for five minutes)

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Members, I am not able to spot the Whip but I can see that the seat of the Leader of Majority is not vacant. Do we have quorum?

Hon. Omollo (MCA, West Nyakach Ward): Madam Speaker, we have quorum.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Thank you. Mr. Clerk, please take us through the Order Paper of today.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo. MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Next order!!

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Members, we have received notice of preparations of County Assembly Sports Association (CASA) Games.

That is CASA Festival 2023 via a letter written to the Assembly on the 15th June, 2023 and the above subject matter refers to and I read.

The County Assemblies Sports Association (CASA) is the body mandated to organize Sports and Cultural activities for the County Assembly Speakers, Members of County Assembly (MCA's) and staff in all the 47 (forty-seven) County Assemblies. The County Assemblies Sports Association (CASA) is planning to host its Annual Edition of the Sports and Cultural Bonanza in Nakuru County, in the month of August 2023 from 19th – 27th.

The competitive Sporting disciplines to be staged for the Bonanza include Football, Volleyball, Netball, Athletics, Board Games, Table Tennis, Badminton, Darts, 8 Ball Pool and Tug of War amongst others. The County Assemblies Sports Association (CASA) will be handing over the rights to host the said games to Uasin Gishu County in June 2023. To ensure the success of the games, County Assemblies are requested to submit their annual CASA subscription fees per County Assembly.

Additionally, Assemblies will be required to pay discipline fees of Kshs. 1000/- per discipline they will field and Kshs. 5,000/- for swimming teams. Any Assembly fielding golf players will be required to pay Kshs. 5,000/- per golfer. Kindly note that for any discipline to kick off, at least 3 Assemblies must register in a CASA discipline. Team Lists are required to be submitted indicating the following;

Name, ID number, IPPD number, passport photos, NHIF cards and a copy of Medical Insurance Card for all players.

The information is to be submitted to fortysevencasa@gmail.com latest 30th July, 2023. The said lists must be certified and countersigned by the Head of Human Resource and the Clerk of the Assembly to verify authenticity. For Honourable Members, a scanned copy of the Gazette Notice confirming their election should also be attached.

For production of the CASA 2019 Catalogue, all Assemblies are required to forward passport size photos of their Speakers and Clerks, messages from Speakers and Clerks, images of respective County landmarks latest 30th July, 2023 to jjgicheha@gmail.com and a copy to fortysevencasa@gmail.com.

Attached also find the set piece to be availed to your choir teams to practice for competing in the cultural discipline.

Lastly, you are called upon to release Honourable Members and staff in your teams to start training for the festival. In case of any clarification kindly get in touch via email on fortysevencasa@gmail.com or 0722300298. Signed by Pauline CASA Secretariat.

Honourable Members, we have been invited to participate in the CASA festivals that is coming up in August. You are therefore required to choose a discipline that you will participate in. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Next order!!

PAPERS LAID

HOUSE POWERS AND PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE REPORT ON ITS INDUCTIONS EXERCISE HELD IN SOSA COTTAGES IN VIHIGA COUNTY FROM 27TH APRIL TO 4TH MAY, 2023

BY

HON. BENSON ADEGA, MCA, KAJULU WARD

BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT ON CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED KISUMU COUNTY INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (III) FY 2023-2027

BY

HON. JOACHIM OKETCH, MCA, KONDELE WARD.

(CHAIRPERSON, BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE)

BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT ON CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED KISUMU COUNTY ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN FY 2023-2024

BY

HON. JOACHIM OKETCH, KONDELE WARD.

(CHAIRPERSON, BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE)

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Yes, Hon. Benson Adega.

Hon. Adega (MCA, Kajulu Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 182 (6) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, I wish to table today Tuesday 20th June, 2023, a report by the Select Committee of House Powers and Privileges on their Inductions Exercise held in Sosa Cottages in Vihiga County from 27th April to 4th May, 2023.

(Hon. Adega lays the report before the House for consideration)

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Members, I wish to acknowledge the receipt of a report by the Select Committee of House Powers and Privileges on their Inductions Exercise held in Sosa Cottages in Vihiga County from 27th April to 4th May, 2023. I want to commit this report to the House business Committee for scheduling it for debate on the Floor.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Yes Hon. Joachim Oketch Omieno.

Hon. Joachim (MCA, Kondele Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. I have two Papers to table. First, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 182 (6) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, I wish to table today Tuesday 20th June, 2023, a report by the Select Committee of Budget and Appropriations Committee on consideration of the proposed Kisumu County Integrated Development Plan FY 2023-2027.

Secondly, I also wish to lay another paper before the House. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 182 (6) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, I wish to table today Tuesday 20th June, 2023, a report by Budget and Appropriations Committee on consideration of the proposed Kisumu County Annual Development Plan FY 2023-2024. Thank you.

(Hon. Omieno lays the two reports before the House for consideration)

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Members, I confirm the receipt of two reports tabled by the Select Committee of Budget and Appropriations Chairperson, Hon. Joachim Oketch. That is, Budget and Appropriations Committee report on consideration of the Proposed Kisumu County Integrated Development Plan FY 2023-2027 and Budget and Appropriations Committee report on consideration of the Proposed Kisumu County Annual Development Plan FY 2023-2024. I therefore, commit these reports to the House Business Committee for the purposes of scheduling them for debate.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Next order!!

NOTICES OF MOTION

HOUSE POWERS AND PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE REPORT ON ITS INDUCTIONS EXERCISE HELD IN SOSA COTTAGES IN VIHIGA COUNTY FROM 27TH APRIL TO 4TH MAY, 2023

BY

HON. BENSON ADEGA, MCA, KAJULU WARD.

BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT ON CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED KISUMU COUNTY INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (III) FY 2023-2027

BY

HON. JOACHIM OKETCH, MCA, KONDELE WARD.

(CHAIRPERSON, BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE)

BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT ON CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED KISUMU COUNTY ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN FY 2023-2024

BY

HON. JOACHIM OKETCH, MCA, KONDELE WARD

(CHAIRPERSON, BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE)

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Yes, Hon. Benson Adega.

Hon. Adega (MCA, Kajulu Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 45 (1) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, I wish to give a Notice of Motion that this House adopts the report by the Select Committee of House Powers and Privileges on their Inductions Exercise held in Sosa Cottages in Vihiga County from 27th April to 4th May, 2023.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Yes, Hon. Joachim Oketch.

Hon. Joachim (MCA, Kondele Ward): Madam Speaker, allow me to give a Notice of Motion on the following Papers. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 45 (1) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, I wish to give a Notice of Motion that this House adopts the report by the Select Committee of Budget and Appropriations on consideration of the proposed Kisumu County Integrated Development Plan (III) FY 2023-2027.

Lastly, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 45 (1) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, I wish to give a Notice of Motion that this House adopts the report by the Select Committee of Budget and Appropriations on consideration of the Proposed Kisumu County Annual Development Plan FY 2023-2024. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okombo. MCA, Manyatta B Ward): Next order!

MOTION

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT BY CHILDREN, CULTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE ON CONSIDERATION OF THE KISUMU COUNTY SPORTS POLICY 2021

BY

HON. NANCY MATARA, NOMINATED MEMBER.

(CHAIRPERSON, CHILDREN, CULTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE)

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): What is it Hon. Were?

Hon. Were (MCA, Nyalenda "A" Ward): Madam Speaker, allow me to present this report on behalf of the Chairperson, Hon Matara.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Please proceed.

Hon. Were (MCA, Nyalenda A Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker.

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT BY CHILDREN, CULTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE ON CONSIDERATION OF THE KISUMU COUNTY SPORTS POLICY, 2021

BY

HON. JAMES WERE, MCA, NTYALENDA "B" WARD.

(VICE-CHAIREPERSON, CHILDREN, CULTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE)

Hon. Were (MCA, Nyalenda A Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of the County Assembly of Kisumu Standing Order No 193(5) (g) read together with Standing order No 194(2c) which mandates Sectoral committees to make reports and recommendations to the County Assembly as often as possible including recommendation of proposed legislation, the Sectoral committee on Children, Culture, Gender and Community Services prepared a report on the County government of Kisumu Sports policy.

Following the approval of the Liaison Committee, the Speaker of the Kisumu County Assembly permitted the committee to travel and sit away from the precincts of The County Assembly to carry out a report writing exercise as it attempts to carry through its mandate. The Committee had the exercise conducted on Monday the 16th to Saturday the 21st of January 2023 within Nakuru County.

LEGAL FRAME WORK AND COMMITTEE MANDATE

Mr. Speaker, the Committee bestows its mandate pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order 193(5), the Committee on Children, Culture, Gender and Community Services shall among other supervisory duties

(a) Investigate, inquire into and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned department.
(b) Study the programme and policy objectives of the department and the effectiveness of the implementation.
(c) Study and review all County legislation referred to it.
(d) Study, assess and analyze the relative success of the department as measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives.
(e) Investigate and inquire into all matters relating to the assigned department as they may deem necessary, and as may be referred to them by the County Assembly.
(f) To vet and report on all appointments where the Constitution or any law requires the County Assembly to approve, except those under Standing Order 187(Committee on Appointment).
(g) Make reports and recommendation to the County Assembly as often as possible, including recommendation of proposed legislation.

Further, pursuant to the provision of the Standing Order 193(Second schedule), the Committee is mandated to inquire into, investigate and report on;

All matters relating to cultural activities, public entertainment, public amenities, including betting, casinos and other forms of gambling, racing, liquor licensing, cinemas, video shows and hiring, libraries, museums, sports and cultural activities and facilities and county parks, beaches and recreation facilities; children's welfare; and control of drugs and pornography.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The following are the members of the Committee on Children, Culture, Gender and Community Services as currently constituted in line with the provisions of Standing Order No 193 (6):

NAME	POSITION
1. Hon. Nancy Matara Ochieng	Chairperson
2. Hon. James Were	Vice Chairperson
3. Hon. Mildred Ajumbo	Member
4. Hon. Boitone Ratib	Member
5. Hon. Jenipher Obonyo	Member
6. Hon. Peter Obaso	Member
7. Hon. Zacharia Okoyo	Member
8. Hon. Maurice Ngeta	Member
9. Hon. Eunice Alandoh	Member
10. Hon. Kennedy Otieno	Member
11. Hon. Samuel Dedeh	Member
12. Hon. James Omollo	Member
13. Hon. Mariam Abeid	Member
14. Hon. Reuben Rakwach	Member
15. Hon. Joachim Oketch	Member

Acknowledgement

Mr. Speaker and Hon. Members, on behalf of the Committee on Children, Culture and Community services members, I wish to extend our gratitude of the invaluable support accorded to the committee by the office of the Speaker and Clerk of the County Assembly towards ensuring that the committee mandate is achieved within the time allocated.

I wish to thank the members for their commitment and participation during the whole process and wish to assure them that the observations and recommendations therein were unanimously agreed upon by all members as objectively as possible.

On behalf of the Sectoral committee on Children, Culture, Gender and ommunity Services pursuant to the provisions of the County Assembly Standing Order No 163 (c) and 182, it is now my pleasant duty and privilege to submit this report on the consideration of the Kisumu Sports Policy to this House for consideration and

KISUMU COUNTY SPORTS POLICY

POLICY FRAMEWORK

Mr. Speaker, Kisumu County Sports Policy 2021 is a part of the County Sports sector framework that seeks to create an inclusive, facilitating and empowering environment for the delivery and practice of sports and physical activity.

The purpose of the policy is to ensure that all residents of Kisumu County are encouraged and organized to participate in sports for personal Health, fitness and socio-economic development.

The vision of the policy is to ingrain a sporting culture among the people of Kisumu County to attain sporting excellence at the individual, community and County level.

The Sports Policy mission seeks to nurture, develop and encourage the identification and development of the sporting talents of the young people and promotion of sports for all through eradication of obstacles which hinders maximum participation in sports.

The policy is held up by a set of core values regarded as the guiding principles to be followed in the implementation of this policy

i. Clear governance and accountability framework; there will be a clear implementation
structure involving monitoring, evaluation and accountability mechanisms and lines of responsibility for leading delivery on specific actions.
ii. Promotes inclusion; Sports offers appropriate opportunities for participation and improvements to all. Inclusion is promoted to deliver desired outcomes with a focus on addressing Gender, disability, social, ethnic and other gradients.
iii. Fosters partnerships and collaborations; encourage and stimulate collaboration within and beyond the sports sector as a foundation of the policy implementation.
iv. Sound scientific and technological foundation; policies, programs and funding are based on best available evidence and focused on the achievement of agreed policy outcomes.
v. Encourages innovation; encourage and stimulate innovation solutions to the challenges we seek to address around participation high performance and the development of the Sports sector
vi. Communication; the policy shall ensure that the public in Kisumu County are well informed about the role of sport in County development.
vii. Emphasizes excellent ethical standards; promotes and foster fair play, respect, ethics, integrity and safety throughout the sports system; and
viii. HIV/AIDS & COV1D-19; the policy shall ensure mainstreaming of HIV/AIDS and COVID-19 related issues in sports programs and activities.

POLICY GOALS

Mr. Speaker, the overall goal of this policy is to establish a framework that fosters the development and organization of sports for all in Kisumu County. However the specific goals include

i. To ensure effective regulation and efficient administration of sport in Kisumu County and build a lasting and efficient sporting tradition and structure, by enhancing and remodeling the existing structures and pillars of the County's sports development to produce a sustainable framework for a vibrant sporting community and sports industry.
ii. To create a framework for the recognition and creation of employment for sport

Persons and that of qualified technical staff.

iii. To promote participation of private organizations, partnerships and collaborations for the development of sport infrastructure and sporting activities.

iv. To develop inventory of existing sporting facilities and provide scientific support for advanced level research, development and documentation in sport to meet international standards allowing mass participation of the public in a range of sports disciplines.

v. To identify, develop and nature sports talents in all sports disciplines and encourage men, women and the participation of people with disabilities in sports.

vi. To utilize information Communication technology to obtain data for effective planning and dissemination of information this in turn creates opportunities in both sports and media industries for community and socio-economic development around shared interests advanced by sport.

POLICY OBJECTIVES AND THRUST AREAS

Mr. Speaker

i. Sports for All

The County Government of Kisumu recognizes the underlying and inalienable right of every citizen to participate in safe and susceptibly appropriate sporting experiences.

It therefore seeks to increase access to sport and physical activities for the various target groups across Kisumu through partnerships with all relevant stakeholders.

The creation of an enabling environment through support of the various elements that contribute to sporting excellence must also be a collective responsibility.

ii. Sports Excellence

The County Government of Kisumu holds the ideals of sports excellence at fundamental in its support of the delivery of sports and physical activity. It further recognizes that this excellence is achieved and sustained through the combination of various factors including, the providence of financial support, the creation of multi Sectoral approach, the tooling and resourcing of the department of sports and its organs, the creation of supporting policies in other departments, die facilitation of requisite international arrangements and agreements within the context of existing status as a devolved County Government and establishment of a sports academy.

iii. Sports Commercialization

The policy recognizes the fact that the sports is a major driver of economic growth among other national goals and intends to create and maximize opportunities for economic activities that will contribute to the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) through commercial opportunities, investment in infrastructural development, tourism and hosting of events in the medium to long term periods.

iv. Integrity in sports

The policy accentuates the need of promoting integrity in sports as a crucial component of an enabling sports environment for Kisumu residents and covers the area of good governance which seeks to establish a code of ethics that provide clear ethical positions and guidelines for

personnel conduct; Doping in sports which pursues an effective delivery of anti-doping policies in harmony with Kisumu's status as a devolved government; Child protection and safeguarding of vulnerable communities and that of match fixing and illegal gambling in sports.

v. Sports Infrastructure Development

The County Government of Kisumu affirms its commitment to creating and maintaining appropriate sports facilities that are designed in accordance with international guidelines. The government and its relevant agencies will promote public private collaborations to develop modem sports facilities.

vi. Sustainable Sports Financing

The County Government of Kisumu recognizes the absence of established sports funds tailored for sports development in the County. Kisumu County therefore strives to create a dedicated ring-fenced County Sports Development fund conformed in the manner of County Education Bursary Fund with initial contribution of the County Government.

Additional contributions to the fund to come from private sports sponsorships and revenues generated from sport facilities. The County Sports Council to pursue mobilization of resources for the fund and the feasibility of exempting local businesses that sponsor County sports from payment of business permits explored.

COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS

Mr. Speaker, The Committee identified;

i. That, the County Sports Policy seeks to establish Policy Guidelines to support the practical and targeted delivery of sports and physical activities experiences.
ii. That Kisumu County Government pursues an establishment of a comprehensive structure for the conceptualization, design, funding and execution of productive and meaningful sports and physical activity experiences for all its residents.
iii. That the Sports policy is tailored to be accepted by the citizens and supported by relevant government agencies, stakeholders and institutions that could make possible its application.
iv. That, policies to be put in place are that that meet international standards of best practice to address critical County, National and Global issues through sport.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Speaker,

i. That, the policy be approved in accordance with article 185 of the constitution for implementation
ii. That, the department through the Kisumu County Sports policy establishes the necessary agencies as outlined in the policy through strategic plans to mobilize adequate resources for the implementation of the County Policy.
iii. That, all the stakeholders (not limited to the government) should individually and

iv. collectively resonate towards working through the elevation of any possible barrier to the successful implementation, adopting a success strength based approach at all levels to avoid failure Paralysis of the Kisumu County Sports Policy

CONCLUSION

Mr. Speaker, the County Sports Policy aspires to take an absolute comprehensive approach to Sports Development in Kisumu County. The committee would therefore wish to implore this house to consider adopting this report on the consideration of the Kisumu County Sports Policy. May I call upon Hon Joachim to second. Thank you Madam Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Yes, Hon Joachim\

Hon Omieno (MCA, Kondele Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker, I rise to second.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Members, a report on the Kisumu Children, Culture, Gender, and Community Services on Kisumu County Sports Policy has been read by the Deputy Chair, Sports Hon Were, seconded by Hon Joachim Oketch, I therefore want to put a question that the policy is open for discussion.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Yes, Hon Oraro.

Hon Oraro (MCA, Kolwa Central Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. I was concerned and thought Hon Joachim would have explained further why he was not among those who appended his signature on the report. However, I am happy that he has seconded the report. I know that will be elaborated later.

Madam Speaker, let me congratulate the clerks for the report is okay. The writing is pleasing, the document is very friendly, and above all, it looks like a well-researched document. I congratulate the committee believing that the Executive Department from the Executive had done their research. I am just worried that a collection of MCAs in the committee were not keen to explain further what the policy was all about. As representatives of the people, how sure are we that these people were just doing a gimmick Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, there are questions you can ask and you admire to be answered. For example, questions like what are some of the sporting activities that have been identified by the department and by extension, the Sectoral Committee of the Assembly. Yes, they are talking about sports, which is too broad and not the specifics. For that reason, you might beg to know further know which sports they are targeting so that as a county, we move knowing exactly what the department is targeting.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okombo. MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Order!! Hon Oraro, you may be suggesting to move an amendment to the same? If that is a proposal you want to make, then you are free to do so.

Hon Oraro (MCA, Kolwa Central Ward): Madam Speaker, not really. You are blind to debate and I would humbly request that you avoid interrupting me so that you listen to where I am leading.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okombo. MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Members, you have a very good point. If there is a vacuum you have noticed, I was of the opinion that you could be interested in moving an amendment within the motion. However, if you feel that you just need to debate and may be conclude, then you are at liberty to do so.

Hon Oraro (MCA, Kolwa Central Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. Secondly, these are some of the questions I was trying to raise for the committee to consider but not to amend the report. What are some of the achievements of the department so far in relation to two consecutive administrations from 2013-2022? The department is not starting today. It started long ago. What are those milestones that they can highlight as a department and say these are the achievement or strides that we have made and this is how we can do them differently to achieve more desired results? This is totally absent or the policy is standing like an island without some background information.

Madam Speaker, I was asking myself, what are some of the strategies that they are going to put in place to make sure that all Wards are involved in their plan? Fourthly, what is the target group? In their policy because it is just sporting related? Are they targeting the youth, young women and People Living with Disabilities? It is just vague. Lastly, under football, we have teams in our Wards. There are those playing under sub county teams, county, division, and national, and you will find that there is nowhere that the county is contributing to the success of these events, be it girls football or boys football. Therefore, I was keen trying to understand what the committee wanted to address in their policy. However, what I am seeing is something like a Public Relations exercise.

Madam Speaker, remember, it is not the work of the committee to set the programme for the department. However, it is the work of the department to bring their suggestions or policy in the minds of the Members because we represent Wards. This would make us understand the objective of the department so that at the end of the day when we decide to support any of their activities and also appropriate fund to that department, we actually know what the department is targeting. The committee accepted and gave them a clean bill of health, which to them, they never considered the information that we really need to get from the policy. The policy makers are from the County Executive but as an Assembly, we need to interrogate because we must look at the interests of the people we represent. Madam Speaker, money being sent to the department is money from their taxes. Anything that is supposed to be done within the County, it is my duty as a representative of those who elected me and our collective duty as an Assembly to ensure that anything that is being planned is inclusive of the people we represent. And anything at planning level, we must also look at what they want to achieve at the end of the day.

Madam Speaker, some of these people we have in offices at the County Executive do not know what they should be doing to the people. There are departments in this County government that people do not know of their existence. I am appealing to the Sectoral Committee, especially this one, that we want to put these people to task so that they tell us…

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Yes, Hon Dede, why are you on your feet?

Hon Dede (MCA, North Kisumu Ward): I am on a point order Madam Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Under which Standing Order are you rising on?

Hon Dede (MCA, North Kisumu Ward): Madam Speaker, Standing Order No. 89 on responsibility for Statement of Facts.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Members, which facts do you want to state?

Hon Dede (MCA, North Kisumu Ward): Madam Speaker, I wanted to inform the Member…

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Are you informing or stating facts?

Hon Dede (MCA, North Kisumu Ward): Madam Speaker, I am stating a fact. There is information coming out that those siting in the Executive do not know what they are doing. Can the member justify that statement?

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Yes, Hon Oraro

Hon Oraro (MCA, Kolwa Central Ward): Madam Speaker, I know that the Member may be one of those working for them. However, the point I was putting across is that anyone employed knows that he or she has qualifications. However, some of them employed to serve the people may not know what they should target so that the people can have the feeling that the government is working. If today you were to do research, starting with North Kisumu Ward, Madam Speaker, I do not know why the Member has a lot of interest on this matter?

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Hon Dede, what is it?

Hon Dede (MCA, North Kisumu Ward): Madam Speaker, I have been adversely mentioned…

(Laughter)

The Honourable Member has just mentioned that I am working for them. Surely, can the Member substantiate?

Hon Oraro (MCA, Kolwa Central Ward): Madam Speaker, it is my belief that we need further or continuous induction exercises so that certain words are made clear. I said may be, and it was on a light note because I know he is an able MCA for North Kisumu Ward and he cannot be an employee of the County Executive. I do not know why he is worried. I wanted to say that those who elected him and those who reside in his Ward, and if I was to do a research to find out some of the departments which are working …

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Kindly summarize Hon Oraro

Hon Oraro (MCA, Kolwa Central Ward): Yes, I am summarizing Madam Speaker. You will find that there are departments that are not well known to the people. For this reason, yes we shall approve for them, but it is a raw deal. It is a vague report.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Hon Oraro, before you sit, why are you approving for somebody if you feel there is something better that we need to do to make it right. Are you against or for report?

Hon. Oyoo (MCA, Migosi Ward): Interjects!!

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Hon Pamela, why don't you let him respond?

Hon Oyoo (MCA, Migosi ward): Madam Speaker, I want to inform the Member who has just resumed his seat. We are all Honourable Members of this House and all committee are the same? I don't believe that any Member should insinuate and belittle other committees or Members. It is the right of Members to bring their report to this House. Let the report be read and Members contribute so that they either approve or reject it but, a member cannot stand in this House to belittle other Members by saying that the report is not appropriate, and that they do not know what they are doing. I do not believe that this is right Madam Speaker, thank you.

(*Feet thumping*)

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, East Kolwa ward): A point of Information Madam Speaker

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Whom do you want to inform?

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, East Kolwa ward): Madam Speaker, I want to inform the House.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Please proceed.

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, East Kolwa ward): (*On a Point of Information*) Thank you Madam Speaker. It is not right if Hon. Members burn midnight oil trying to come up with reports that will help the people of this great County of Kisumu, then a member just rises on his feet and starts stating that a lot of things about the report that belittles Members who have sat and done their work. Hon. Speaker, this one is not in order, and remember that the same Hon. Member has visited offices, like last time he visited Harambee House in Nairobi County but did not bring even a leaf of a report in this House.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Order!! Hon. Rakwach.

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, East Kolwa Ward): Hon. Speaker, I know that there is a tournament going on…

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Order!! Hon. Rakwach.

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, East Kolwa ward): Madam Speaker, I have not informed the House…

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Order!! Hon. Member. Honorable Members, I understand that a Member has stepped on few toes but that was his submission. He has his rights to contribute whichever way he wants, and Hon. Pamela Oyoo raised a similar concern. If he were to be informed then, I believe he has been adequately informed, and I want to urge that we continue with the debate but not the…

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, East Kolwa ward): Hon. Speaker…

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Hon. Reuben, I am making a ruling. Honorable Members, I want to beseech you that we concentrate on the report. The Member has made his submission, so, let us debate for or against the report, with or without amendments, then we see where we place the report. However, if we feel that Hon. Oraro has negatively mentioned Members, then I believe that a motion on the same should be brought to discuss the statement or conduct of Hon. Oraro. We cannot make it a subject of discussion in another motion. Hon. Members, I therefore ask that we continue.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Yes, Hon. Tom Nyaoke.

Hon. Nyaoke (MCA, North Nyakach Ward): Thank you, Madam Speaker. Before I make my submission on the observation I have made from this report, I want to request the Members through your Chair that, this is a House of order. So, let us be as orderly as possible and avoid any emotions that are likely to prevail.

Madam Speaker, each and every Member has a right to comment in any motion and in deed if you have something to say about the motion simply rise and talk about the motion. Madam Speaker, I have carefully gone through the report, and would want to point out few areas. I believe that even the comments we are yet to make on this report, should be advantageous to the persons or departments that are going to be held responsible for this. As we make the recommendations or the observations, they should be taken positively to help these departments and be used by the rightful departmental heads.

Madam Speaker, when you look at the Sports Commercialization, it informs us that, the policy recognizes that the sports is a major driver of economic growth among other national goals, and intends to create and maximize opportunities for economic activities that will contribute to the GDP. This is through commercial opportunities, investments, infrastructural development, and tourism hosting events in the medium long- term periods. Madam Speaker, that is quite a good item in the sports policy. However, what I was trying to look at is; can we simplify it, so that misunderstandings do not arise in such policies, particularly during the policy making.

Madam Speaker, sports one of the areas with challenges even back in our wards because we do not have fields for our children to play in. Some of these schools also have other activities which run at the same time when we have all the youths in that school would want to play and we lack the facilities. Madam Speaker, these sporting facilities can be approved. Madam Speaker, moving forward, we would implore the relevant department to ensure that we decentralize these sports activities and make it live. Otherwise, we are going to be held responsible as representatives of the people from our various wards.

Madam Speaker, if you look at the third paragraph in the Sports Infrastructure Development, the last sentence says, the government and its relevant agencies will promote public-private partnerships in collaborations to develop modern sports facilities. This is a very important component in this policy making process. Why don't they go into details and tell us how they are planning to do that. Maybe we would also have a lot of input during the time we are negotiating with the private collaborators. Madam Speaker, some of us want to give some input in these infrastructural developments in terms of sports facilities.

Madam Speaker, I therefore, beg that even the recommendations that were made by the members of the committee aren't very specific. There is nothing that you can take home. I would urge that our recommendations should be as precise as possible because if we leave it this way, the right department may not even have anything to hold. Maybe, in the five years of our term we are not going to come out with anything tangible to count on. Madam Speaker, it is my prayer that sports in our wards be improved. I beg to support, and that the right department to try as soon as possible make this policy understandable to all. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okombo): Yes Hon. Rakwach.

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, East Kolwa Ward): Thank you, Madam Speaker; I also rise to support the motion that has just been moved. I believe that the Committee together with the secretariat has taken its time to work on the report, and I want to appreciate them for the good work. I wish to support that policy the way it is without any amendments. Hon. Speaker, there is a member who has just talked, and he insinuated that Members of the committee did nothing, but I know that the reason for him saying that is because there is a tournament going on in my ward, that is sponsored by Prof. Tom Ojienda, the Senator of Kisumu County. So, he feels that that is more important than this that is being proposed in this report presented here in the House. I know that he wants to be a Governor's running mate in the next general election…

(*Laughter*)

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa ward): A point of Order Madam Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): What is your Point of Order?

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa ward): My point of order is on Standing Order No. 89- Statement of facts.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Proceed.

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa ward): (*On a Point of Order*) Madam Speaker…

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, East Kolwa ward): Madam Speaker, have you allowed him to proceed?

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Yes, I have allowed him to proceed.

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, East Kolwa ward): You could have let me inform the House before he proceeds.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Member, let him proceed because the Member is on a Point of Order No. 89.

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa ward): (*On a Point of Order*) Madam Speaker, it is quite unfortunate something in this House, which is incorrect.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Member, but I didn't hear the Member mentioning your name.

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa ward): Madam Speaker, just get what I am saying. Patience please.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okombo): Please continue.

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa ward): The Member has talked about Prof. Ojienda but I, as Hon. Kelvin Oraro, am doing a tournament of 24 teams. 9 teams from his East Kolwa Ward and 15 teams from my Central Kolwa Ward. So, mentioning somebody's name just because you want to make everything about him is not right Madam Speaker. That is a statement that I wanted him to withdraw, but if using my name is so dangerous to him, then he can use the name Ojienda to make him happy Madam Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Hon. Oraro, I didn't hear the Member mention your name but he mentioned Hon. Ojienda. Are you speaking for Hon. Ojienda?

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa Ward): Madam Speaker, I have said on Statement of Facts and that the tournament going on is my tournament with 9 football teams from East Kolwa Ward and 15 football teams from Central Kolwa Ward making a total of 24 teams. So, mentioning the name of Hon. Ojienda where he is not is supposed to do so is incorrect. That is why I have stood citing the provisions of Standing Orders No. 89 which is on Statement of Facts.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): The Member could be talking about a different tournament. Are you and Hon. Ojienda affiliated in any way?

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa Ward): Maybe if the Member is talking about a different event then I don't know but, the only one that I am aware of is in the wards he is referring to which is under my name Madam Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Okay. Yes, Hon. Rakwach do you want to clarify?

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, East Kolwa ward): Yes, Madam Speaker I want to clarify because I have all the facts Honourable Speaker and I want to thank my colleague Honourable for confirming that there is a tournament in my Ward. (Kolwa East). He has confirmed part of my statement but he is contesting that bit of Hon. Ojienda. However, the true picture of whatever is taking place in my ward is that there is a tournament which is being financed by the Hon. Prof. Tom Ojienda and the engine behind it is Honourable Oraro. You know that the Member is an MCA representing Kolwa Central Ward, and that is why that tournament is in Kolwa East between …

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Member, the last time I checked, Prof Ojienda is the Senator for Kisumu County, so, he is not restricted to a particular Ward. So, what is wrong when he sponsors a tournament?

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): This one is politically driven and whatever I am telling you will come to pass. Honourable Speaker, it will definitely come to pass.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Member, but he is the Senator.

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): Madam Speaker, I have said that my neighbor here is really striving so hard to deputize Hon. Ojienda in the coming next general election of 2027 and that is…

(Laughter)

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): That is the information I wanted to pass to the House during that time. That is also the reason why they have brought the tournament there because the Honourable Member in Kolwa East Ward is not in support of their side Hon. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Member that is their democratic right…

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): Madam Speaker, to that is why whatever we do here as far as sports is concerned will be belittled. This is because, they believe that whatever we do outside there is more than what we can do as an Assembly and even as the County Government under the leadership of ODM Party Leadership.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA Manyatta "B" Ward): Hon. Reuben, you have made your statement. That is their democratic right, now can you make your submissions on the Bill.

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): I have supported the Bill fully without amendment Hon. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA Manyatta "B" Ward): Thank you Honourable Member

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): Thank you so much Honourable Speaker, once again, thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA Manyatta "B" Ward): Thank you. Yes, Honourable Benny Oiko Pete.

Hon. Oiko (MCA, Kabonyo Kanyagwal Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker for giving me time to air my views on this report. Before I go on with this, at times I have been keen to monitor the kind of debates that goes on here. I therefore believe that it is high time that the Hansard Report is made public almost weekly or on daily basis so that members of the public could be able to see the way Member's contribute in this Honourable House. The Hansard Report should be made public. We should not just speak our mind for the sake of being in the House.

Madam Speaker, the report presented to us today and the way some other Members have contributed; the most important thing that will guide Kisumu County Assembly is by allowing the Hansard Report be made public. With that we will be able to see our contributions in the House and the Members of the public should also judge us on this. That is a general observation I am making.

Madam Speaker, a policy paper is being presented in this House which is good. What has formed the basis of this policy paper? Why has the county decided to have Sports Policy? Let

every Member go through the report, support the arguments advanced here or reject. That is when we shall be debaters in this House. One can interrogate and say negative things about the report. In addition, once you see that, that is the trend a Member has taken, as a Member of the Committee and as a Member of this Assembly, stand up and advance your argument. Stand up and advance your argument. Do not just stand up and say that someone is belittling or rather undermining this Assembly or a House Committee. Go to the report and quote evidence why you have a feeling that such a person is belittling or undermining a House Committee. That is when we shall become debaters and that is when the report will have the meaning it deserves.

However, another Honourable Member is looking keenly at me as if I am going to attack him. I am not going to attack you.

(Laughter)

That is because; to me I simply do not mention names of people in this House. Unless it is in the report. When you stand up to mention names of people, who are not in the report, ask yourself, what are you doing? Which kind of problem do you have with that person? Madam Speaker, a policy is a good thing. When a County comes up with a policy, there must be good reasons why a County Government is coming up with policies. This is the third time for devolution in Kisumu County. So, when Kisumu County is coming up with a policy paper on sports, what has it achieved on sports? What is it that it has not been achieved that it feels that when a policy is documented, then, it will be achieved?

Madam Speaker, I tend to belive that that is the line of argument which we should have. What are the sporting activities promoted in Kisumu County since the inception of devolution in 2013? The committee should have enumerated the sporting activities that have been promoted by Kisumu County Government that has made it necessary to come with a policy paper to advance them. Then, we will also ask, the sporting infrastructures that have been developed in Kisumu County that has made it necessary when it is in a policy that the infrastructure will be source of income to the County Government. Madam Speaker, those ones are not mentioned. Moreover, let us now look around our sporting field in Kisumu County; Jaramogi Oginga Odinga, which used to be called Jomo Kenyatta. Is it dead or alive? Let us go to Moi Stadium, Jomo Kenyatta International Sports Complex, what is their position? These are the things that should encourage us when we are working on a policy like this. Then, we go to the sporting activities which are there in Kisumu County like Football. What is the position of Football in Kisumu County? Which other game can we talk about? Hockey. Is the County Government of Kisumu promoting hockey? Is it promoting Basketball? Netball for women? So, we imagine that when the policy comes up, these activities will be promoted. As at now, we do not know where they are lying.

Madam Speaker, when we go to page six whereby I am informing my fellow Honourable Members that, let us read the records that inform either the office of the Speaker or the office of the Clerk; but I believe, the office of the speaker is unfair to these Members. This report ought to have been given to the Members twelve hours before the debate. However, when was it posted? It was done at 1:00 pm today. These Members have no time to go through their mobile phones, they have no time to read. That is why you find them calling names of irrelevant people in this House.

(Laughter)

Let the report be given to Members twelve hours prior to presentation so that they have ample time to read the report. On page six, we are informed that the purpose of the policy is to ensure that all residents of Kisumu are encouraged to participate in sports for personal health, fitness and socio-economic development. How will this socio-economic development be attained?

Madam Speaker, in a report, there can be sweeping statements like the ones we are being given now. Sports will encourage employment, when those sporting activities have not been encouraged, how will they encourage employment? When one condemns that, he/she is belittling the Members. Let us first promote the sporting activities then, we say we shall be employing our people and on the same breadth we shall identify those who are good at football. That is what other organization are doing. We shall identify those who are good at football, those who are good in music. For instance, during public functions we need our people to sing for us…

(Hon. Oyoo rises on her feet)

Hon. Oyoo (MCA, Migosi Ward): On a point of information.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA Manyatta "B" Ward): Yes Hon Pamela, what is it?

Hon. Oyoo (MCA, Migosi Ward): Madam Speaker, I want to inform the House …

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA Manyatta "B" Ward): The Honourable Member speaking? Honourable Oiko Pete, do you want to be informed?

Hon. Pete Oiko (MCA, Kabonyo Kanyagwal Ward): No, she is informing the House not Hon. Pete.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA Manyatta "B" Ward): Granted.

Hon. Oiko (MCA, Kabonyo Kanyagwal Ward): Madam Speaker, let the Member say what she has to say.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Pamela, kindly inform the House.

Hon. Oyoo (MCA, Migosi Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. Honourable Members in this House should contribute positively and they should also stop witch- hunting. When somebody says something, you should not use it as a tool of your contribution. It is my considered opinion that the Member on the floor is trying to undermine the Members…

Hon. Oiko (MCA, Kabonyo Kanyagwal): Madam Speaker, I have not intimidated anyone but just quoted from the report. When you look at page seven of the report, the policy goals; to crate framework for the recognition and creation of employment for sports persons and that of qualified technical staff. These are good policy statements but before we promote sports persons, before we give room to employ the young people who are sports men then this one will not add value.

Madam Speaker, I believe that I am clear on this matter. This policy should dwell mostly on sporting activities, sporting infrastructures and the allocation given to the department. When the department gets small allocation, then we imagines how big and in return it will achieve very little. Reflecting this to the budget and what goes to the sports department, what do we say? Can this policy be workable? Let us reflect the allocation in the budget to the department of Children, Culture and Sports and what they want to do. Is it possible? I would like to see how much is allocated for the Department and see if this policy is workable. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta B): Yes Hon. Bill Member representing Kobura Ward.

Hon. Bill (MCA, Kobura Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker, I rise to support. Looking at page 7, on the goals that the policy has and considering that sports is an area that impress many and is an area that we have not utilized fully as Kisumu County.

One goal that it seeks to satisfy is that it focuses on research and you will realize that research, especially in sports will enable us realize international standards in Kisumu County. Secondly, the policy seeks to ensure that we have staff employed. Kisumu County is a large county and by creating that, one we would have created employment and secondly we would have shown that we are serious with sports.

Madam Speaker, the policy also seek to identify and nature talents. This will be a plus to us because we don't have a clear structure or program on how to identify and nature talents. I therefore, rise to support this because having walked to nearly all the wards in Kisumu County, I believe we have a lot of talents to be natured. Madam Speaker, if this policy therefore seeks, to identify and nature talents, I support. We have many youths who are looking for that structure that they can approach and display their talents. I support. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Yes Hon. Ochele, Member representing East Kano Wawidhi ward.

Hon. Ochele (MCA, East Kano/Wawidhi Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker, this afternoon I am elated by the communication that you have just made and I want to believe that the communication about CASA is coincidentally in line with the motion of this afternoon that members are to prepare and participate in the forthcoming games.

Madam Speaker, I take a lot of privilege as a patriotic Kenyan, I drafted, natured and registered CASA as a national outfit that could enable members to exercise and stay fit. I was the first Secretary General for five years and I am happy it is still on going.

Madam Speaker, coming to the report on the table, I would say that the committee did their best, I commend them for the extent that they have done it. It is a policy document seeking to be approved by this Assembly and before I contribute, there is a question that is lingering in my mind if at all Kisumu County has ever debated on any Sports Bill or if at all we have an existing Sports Act. Because whenever there is a policy document before this House or there is an Act on the same, then, I will be free and fair to the House by suggesting that such policy document form

part or the parent law and sports Act and therefore the only thing that can be done to such a proposal on policy is to ensure that it comes out with an enabling legislation that can make the existing Act be operationalized and it would have been in the best interest of this House that a Regulation be made so that anything we say, we don't just say it as a policy because this House does not generate policy rather, converts policy into law. As it is now, it is not a law.

Therefore, Madam Speaker if my reasoning has anything to hold, then I would rather suggest that we don't hit hard on the policy but, propose certain aspects that can make it stronger to enable it subject our people to a more worthy legislation.

Madam Speaker, it is true that Kisumu County will lack a lot on sports. When we were making the Budget Estimates, we had an opportunity of meeting the Department on Sports, Culture and Children, it begs any keen representative on how the youths are treated in the current budget. Madam Speaker, when you talk of sports, you propose to provide balls, kits and nets which we are told are giveaways not needed.

Madam Speaker, I want Members to be keen when somebody is talking about sports. You cannot promote sports without first highlighting sports equipment as the first thing which should be in this policy document and must be in the law. That when I talk of providing football or basketball equipments to the teams that are in my ward, then it must be anchored in the law so that I don't get this challenge of being barred that it is a giveaway. This gives us an opportunity of providing a lot of amenities to our young girls and boys.

Madam Speaker, there is this issue of sports playing grounds, not mentioning the existing ones like Jomo Kenyatta Sports Ground or Kenyatta Sports Ground. What are we as a county proposing down there, will I be carrying my players to Kenyatta Sports Ground? We should be seeking for a way of introducing small Sports Complex within our wards, so that we enable the talents down there who are not able to be part of the talent in the city to also enjoy the same. If such are not anchored in the law, then there would be wild goose and wishful thinking which cannot land anywhere.

Madam Speaker we are talking of sports, have we thought of training to nature this talents to be part of this proposal? You cannot talk of having hope of nurturing talents when you don't think of training expertise that can nature that talent and train them to perfection. I therefore, want to believe that if some of these issues are added to the report, then a time will come when we are talking about regulations, then we will be having a regulation that is properly guided and has structure that will yield results.

Madam Speaker, we can create a fund, within that legislation that goes down not necessarily in my budget but a fund of the county called Kisumu County Sports Fund. Then from this fund, we create a structure in that what Member for Market Milimani gets is what Member for Kolwa East gets so that the competition becomes fair. Madam Speaker, I have realized that there are friendly fires between two neighbors, it is not because they are rivals, but the youth are looking for opportunity to showcase their talent and if they get them in my ward where there is no boundary between players from Kobura coming to play in East Kano Wawidhi.

Madam Speaker, on Saturday I sponsored a team from my ward to participate in a tournament in Kobonye Kanyagwal and that does not mean, that I am looking for any post beyond my boundaries, but I am trying to expose my players to other challenges.

Madam Speaker. I therefore want to invite any reasoning individual that if you have any sporting facility that you can sponsor then, you should consider incorporating me because I want my people to get exposure. If you want to be a Governor then that is up to you to choose but you should try to extend it to East Kano Wawidhi. With those few remarks, I want to pray for you that the sun should rise over you in your ambitions. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Nereah Akoth Okombo, MCA, Manyatta B): Yes Hon. K'Omudho.

Hon. K'Omudho (MCA, Muhoroni Koru Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. There has been considerable discussion, and notably, some of our colleagues departed the chambers without hearing the perspectives of other Members. I must commend the committee for their exceptional work as the report is commendable. However, echoing the concerns raised by my fellow Honorable Member, I believe it is crucial for us to broaden our focus beyond the city center. In my constituency, Muhoroni Sub-County, we possess a stadium that has remained dormant for the past decade or so. Therefore, I would like to propose that this committee venture beyond conventional approaches, just as my colleague suggested, and explore the potential of this location. By doing so, we can bolster development both within the inner city and its outskirts. Additionally, I would like to emphasize the significance of respecting and attentively considering one another's viewpoints. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Yes Hon. James Omollo.

Hon. Omollo James Ochieng (MCA, West Nyakach Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. I wish to call the mover to reply.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Members the mover is being called upon to reply but I spotted Hon. Okoyo on his feet.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Yes Hon. Okoyo.

Hon. Okoyo (MCA, Central Kisumu Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. The Honorable Member occupying the Majority Leader's seat seemed inclined to interrupt me. Nevertheless, I would like to express my support for the report by highlighting the significance of Kisumu County as a hub for numerous sportsmen and sportswomen. It is important to acknowledge that many remarkable individuals in our nation have emerged as a result of their involvement in sports. Similarly, within our own county, we have witnessed remarkable achievements by talented athletes. While I share the concerns expressed by one of my colleagues regarding potential conflicts with existing legislation in our county, I believe that if no such conflicts exist, we can begin by utilizing our current resources.

Madam Speaker, it is crucial that we recognize the abundance of talent among our youth and take the responsibility to nurture it. By doing so, we can empower them to achieve their goals

and aspirations. Furthermore, I firmly believe that we should not impose unnecessary barriers on individuals who wish to sponsor sporting activities. Any individual willing to contribute to such endeavors should be encouraged to do so. We as people's representatives need to be informed. Even if somebody is coming to my ward or sub-county we need to be informed so that we can also disseminate the information to other youths to come out and participate in any sporting activity.

Madam Speaker, I want to say that the policies are well explained and if we can follow them to the latter then we shall be heading somewhere. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Members, the mover had been called to reply and I don't know whether if we still have Members who have not contributed and may want to also add their voice. The silence means that we don't have any more to say. I therefore want to call upon the mover to reply.

Hon. Were (MCA, Nyalenda "B" Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. I want to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the committee Members for having burnt the midnight oil to come up with the good report. I also want to extend my gratitude to the fellow Honourable Members for having contributed to this report whether positively or negatively. I want to assure you that this document is going to improve the standards of sports in this County and I want to implore this Honorable House to approve this report. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Members, a report by the Children, Culture and Community Services Committee on its consideration of the Kisumu County Sports Policy 2021 has been moved, seconded and debated, I therefore want to put a question on the adoption of the same.

(Question put and agreed to)

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Members, the report by the Children, Culture and Community Services Committee on its consideration of the Kisumu County Sports Policy 2021 is hereby adopted today Tuesday 20th June, 2023 at 16:07 hours. Consequently, I want to direct that a copy of the report together with the Hansard report be prepared and forwarded to the relevant authorities for execution.

Honourable Members, I want to stress on the need to follow the rules of debate of the House. Hon. Pete was right that the report was posted a little bit too late to give adequate time to look into the report and have a constructive debate. I just want to remind the Committee Clerks and the Committee Chairpersons that our Standing Order No. 45 (5) (b) states that all Motions and Reports included must be circulated at least one day before the motion appears on the Order Paper. Hon. Chairpersons of committees, kindly ensure that before you submit your reports to be tabled before a Notice of Motion is given and that report should be circulated earlier. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Next Order!

ADJOURNMENT

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B" Ward): Honourable Members, there being no any other business to transact, the House stands adjourned to Wednesday, 21st June, 2023 at 9.00 a.m. Thank you.

(House rose at 04.14 p.m.)

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