COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KISUMU

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KISUMU

THE HANSARD

Official Report

THIRD ASSEMBLY – SECOND SESSION

Thursday 28th September, 2023

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

(The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Emily Oginga) in the Chair)

PRAYER

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Mr. Clerk take us through the Order Paper of today.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Next order!!

PETITION

PETITION AGAINST ROGUE LEADERSHIP OF KIBUYE MARKET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE LED BY JUDITH ADHIAMBO MATENGO

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Honourable Members, I am receipt of a Petition by Traders of Kibuye Market and it reads as follows;

Following along and thorough deliberations by traders (Stakeholders) over this rogue leadership of the above stated body on 11th July, 2022 at Mitumba Hall in Kibuye Open Air Market, we have resolved to petition your office to look into this dictatorial and authoritarian leadership of Judith Adhiambo Matengo because of the following reasons;

1. No public participation by traders was undertaken as enshrined in 2010 Kenyan Constitution during the purported election of this leadership which violates traders' rights.

2. This election violates Chapter 4 (Bills of Right) Article 33, Clauses 1(a) of the said Constitution

3. Removal of goons/hooligans assembled in the market in the form of security and dismantling their make-shift cells in the market and detaining traders on flimsy ground.

(a) To discuss about the rogue leadership of Judith Adhiambo Matengo and possibly refrain her from the destruction of traders merchandize, stalls or properties.

(b) To stop her from interfering, intimidating and harassing County Junior Offices by obstructing them from performing diligently their duly assigned duties and unnecessary suspension and transfer because she appears nowhere in the hierarchal order of County Government of Kisumu.

4. To discuss human rights abuses/violation perpetrated by this leader causing psychological, mental or emotional torture to the County Government Junior Officers and traders as a whole hence return of freedom of expression, association and movement in the market

5. To delegalize extortion fee levied by these goons called protection levy of 10/- per trader of about 5000 traders totaling to 1.5m disguised as security fee

6. Immediate restoration of ablution blocks/washrooms to sectorial traders not an individual hence wastage of County resources benefiting few individual traders.

7. To know terms and conditions of the said body/Market Management Committee office bearers i.e. tenure, mandate and jurisdiction leading to organization of fresh election which must be held within the Market precinct because the 1st one was held or installed or imposed on traders by City Manager Abala Wanga away from the market.

8. To get briefs on the present market status and its completion timeline thus hence enhancing revenue collection and creating conducive business environment.

9. To launch thorough investigation on money laundering using County Resources with pooled funds from the County facilities like ablution blocks and hence formation of her personal Security guards.

10. Judith Adhiambo Matengo to show respect to the rule of law by obeying OB(s) records like that of Kevin Ouma Maiko OB No. 47/15/9/2022 and Beatrice Wamalwa OB No. 53/12/10/2018 and also show respect to senior citizens/elders by not abusing/attacking them.

11. Publication of resolutions passed by County Government officers and Kibuye Market Management Committee on 18h May 2023 at Mama Grace Onyango Social Hall:

a) Officers were to come to the Market to listen to traders' views about illegal strike called by the Chairlady.
b) Misuse of county's facilities/resources and;
c) Re-organization of fresh Market Management Committee Election.

RESOLUTIONS
I) 14 days are hereby given to the County Government to act and solve this puzzle, without these Traders will do the following:

a) Boycott payment of Market levies.
b) Demonstrate and picket.
c) Organize Fresh Election for Market Management Committee without involving the County Government.
d) Repossession of the County facilities i.e. Ablution Blocks/Washrooms hence reverting them back to sectorial traders/leaders.

The petition is signed by Julius Okello Misundi, Loftus Adwar, Zacheus Okoth, Teresa Okuku, and Silas Odera. All are conveners. That is the end of the petition.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Yes Hon. Oiko.

Hon. Oiko (MCA, Kabonyo Kanyagwal Ward): On a Point of Order. Madam Speaker, the petition presented before this House is a very important and a crucial one from Kibuye Market. This is the second biggest open market in Africa and the biggest market in Kisumu County. It is a market that involves almost all people from this County and the House you addressing the matter to lacks quorum. We don't have quorum to transact the business and the matter is very weighty.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Can the Leader of Majority confirm if we have quorum.

Leader of Majority (Hon. Ooko, MCA, Ahero Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. We have the quorum.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): The Leader of Majority has confirmed that we have quorum. Let us continue with the business.

Hon. Oiko (MCA, Kabonyo Kanyagwal Ward): Madam Speaker, with due respect let the Serjeant-at-Arms do the counting. You will find that the number present in this House is less than ten.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Hon. Oiko, the Leader of Majority has just confirmed that we have the quorum. Let me just finish the Petition. Having read the Standing Order No. 217 (2), I want to commit this Petition to the Standing Committee of Co-operative, Finance, Trade and Enterprise Development and I have accorded you 60 (sixty) days to make recommendations as appropriate.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Next order!!

PAPERS LAID

JOINT COMMITTEES OF ADMINISTRATION OF LAW, JUSTICE, CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS, GOOD GOVERNANCE AND SECURITY, AND LANDS, HOUSING, PHYSICAL PLANNING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT REPORT ON THE PETITION BY NYAMLORI TRADERS

BY

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

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga): Hon. James Were.

Hon. Were (MCA, Nyalenda "B" Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of Orders No. 217 (2) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, I wish to table today Thursday 28th September, 2023, a report by Joint Committees of Administration of Law, Justice, Constitutional Affairs, Good Governance and Security, and Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development on the petition by Nyamlori Traders.

(Hon. Were tables the report for consideration)

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Honourable Members, I confirm the receipt of a report by joint Committees of Administration of Law, Justice, Constitutional Affairs, Good Governance and Security, and Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development on the Petition by Nyamlori Traders on pursuant to the provisions of Standing

Order No. 217 (2) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders states as follows in relation to reports resulting from Petitions. I therefore want to allow any Member with comments regarding the petition. So, is there any member with any comments regarding this petition?

(Silence)

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Honourable Members, I will assume that there are no comments. So, I now direct that the office of the Clerk of the County Assembly to make notification to the petitioners in accordance with the provisions of Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders No. 217 (3). Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Yes Leader of Majority!!

Leader of Majority (Hon. Ooko, MCA, Ahero Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. I arise to lay before this House a paper pursuant to the provisions of Article 185 of the Constitution of Kenya. I wish to table today Thursday, 28th September, 2023 the Kisumu County Government Vocational Education and Training Policy. Thank you.

(Leader of Majority lays before the House the policy for consideration)

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Honourable Members, once again I confirm receipt of the Kisumu County Government Vocational Education and Training (VET) Policy as was tabled by the Leader of Majority. I therefore commit this policy to the Standing Committee of Education Technical and Vocational Training Committee for further consideration. I further direct that the Committee has been accorded 21 (twenty-one) days to work on the policy and bring back their report before this House. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominate Member): Next order!!

STATEMENTS

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Yes Hon. James Were, Member representing Nyalenda "B" Ward.

Hon. Were (MCA, Nyalenda "B" Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Orders No. 41 (2) (b) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders. I wish to request for a Statement from the Standing Committee of Medical Services, Public Health and Sanitation with regards to the Diaper Menace in Central Kisumu.

Madam Speaker and Honourable Members, there is a general public outcry with regards to disposal of Diapers which has now become a menace in Central Kisumu Ward of Otonglo, Riat, K'Ombedu and Bandani. These diapers are being disposed in tunnels and drainages which becomes a mess when it rains thereby blocking the drainages and the und result flooding the roads. In addition this is a health risk top the residents.
Madam Speaker, please let the Committee mandated with this matter investigate and inquire into;

a) Whether there is in place a proper disposal method for Diapers?
b) Are there in place any laws and regulations that strives to deal with the disposal of diapers?
c) Are there any remedies put in place to deal with the Diaper menace?

Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Honourable Members, I would like to request the Chair for Medical Services, Public Health and Sanitation Committee to respond on this matter. Or, if there is a Member of this Committee present in the House to do the same.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Yes Leader of Majority!!

Leader of Majority (Hon. Ooko, MCA, Ahero Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. On behalf of the Chairperson for Medical Services, Public Health and Sanitation Committee, I would wish to respond to that statement sought by the Hon. Were. Madam Speaker, this matter was initially sought by Hon. Zacharia Okoyo.

Madam Speaker, on question one which seeks to know is there are any disposal methods put in place for the diaper? I wish to respond by stating that, there are measures that are put in place which are;

1. Burning the Diapers six feet into the soil as a very fundamental measure.
2. Incineration of used diapers.

Madam Speaker, on question number two, that seek to know whether there are laws and legislations put in place that deals with diapers disposals? I wish to respond by stating that, there are no laws or regulations specifically that deals with disposal of diapers. However, Diaper disposals depends on exist Public Health Caps 242, Kisumu County Health and Sanitation Act and the EMCA Act supporting NEMA Activities. The County is in the processing of mooting County Legislations targeting disposal of diapers especially supporting production of environmentally friendly usable diapers, recycling and closer collection and transport of used diapers for safety disposals by manufacturers on a reverse scale.

Madam Speaker, on question number three which states that the Member seek to know what remedies have been put in place to deal with the menace? Madam Speaker, I wish to respond as follows that, in attempt to reverse the trend and ensure safe hygienic and dignified diaper disposals, the department has initiated the following measures;

1. Embarked on a series on awareness and sensitization campaign on the negative impact of poor disposal of diapers.
2. Liaised with the Department of Water, Environment and Natural Resources and Climate Change to provide the residents with diaper closed bin closet and to ensure collection of closed bin closets for proper disposal.
3. Producers and distributers of the diapers are equally being sensitized to provide bin closets for safe collection and transport of used diapers for safe disposal of diapers.
4. Working hand in hand with the Department of Water, Environment and Natural Resources and Climate Change to ascertain the exact level of negative impact and provide sustainable mitigation measures including the provision of safe diaper disposal bins specifically for the collection of diapers for safe disposal.

Thank you Madam Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominate Member): Hon. Were are you satisfied with the response given by the Leader of Majority?

Hon. Were (MCA, Nyalenda "B" Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. I am satisfied.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominate Member): Thank you. Next order!!

MOTION

FIRST READING OF THE KISUMU COUNTY WATER BILL, 2023

BY

HON. SAMUEL DEDE, MCA, NOIRTH KISUMU WARD

(CHAIRPERSON, WATER, ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCE AND CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE)

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominate Member): Yes Leader of Majority!!

Leader of Majority (Hon. Ooko, MCA, Ahero Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. On behalf of Hon. Dede, I would like to request the Clerk to read the Kisumu County Water Bill, 2023 for the first time.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominate Member): Yes Madam Clerk

THE KISUMU COUNTY WATER BILL, 2023 (COUNTY BILL NO. 5)

AN ACT of the County Assembly of Kisumu to give effect to Article 43 (1) and Part 2 of the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution, 2010 to provide for the legal and institutional framework for provision of water services in Kisumu County and for connected purposes.

Madam Speaker and Honourable Members, the Bill now stands read for the first time.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominate Member): Honourable Members, the Kisumu County Water Bill, 2023 (County Bill No. 5) has been read for the first time. As per the provisions of our Standing Orders No. 123 (6) (b), I want to commit this Bill to the Standing committee of Water, Environment and Natural Resource and Climate Change to consider the Bill and bring a report back to this House within 21 (twenty-one) days. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominate Member): Next order!!

MOTION

ADOPTION OF REPORT BY STANDING COMMITTEE OF SPORTS, CULTURE, GENDER YOUTH AFFAIRS ON THE 4TH EDITION OF THE COUNTY ASSMBLIES SPORTS ASSOCATION (CASA) GAMES 2023 HELD ON 19TH TO 27TH AUGUST, 2023 IN NAKURU COUNTY.

BY

HON. NANCY MATARA, NOMINATED MEMBER.

(CHAIRTPERSON, STANDING COMMITTEE OF CULTURE, ARTS AND SPORTS)

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominate Member): Yes Hon. Were.

Hon. Were (MCA, Nyalenda "B" Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, I seek your indulgence to allow me move this report on behalf of the Committee of Sports, Culture, Gender Youth Affairs.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominate Member): Please proceed Honourable Were.

Hon. Were (MCA, Nyalenda "B" Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, the 4th Edition of CASA Sports themed "*Inculcating integration and social interactions through sports*

and diverse cultures". Hosted by Nakuru County on the 19th of August 2023, to 27th brought together the County legislatures and members of staff for an eventful sports bonanza that leveraged on cohesion and co-existence.

Hon. Speaker, during the plenary session on Tuesday 29th August, 2023 (Order paper No 98) a communication was made on the matter of the management of the concluded 2023 CASA games and pursuant to standing orders No 193 (5)(g), committed the committee on Sports, Culture, Gender and Youth Affairs to make an inquiry and report on the management and administration of the CASA games within the County Assembly and the modalities that may improve the County Assembly performances in the CASA games.

Hon. Speaker, upon committal of the said report, the Committee on Sports, Culture, Gender and Youth Affairs vide MIN No 06/CAK/SCGYA/30/08/2023 invited the team captains and the procurement team through the Clerk of the Assembly to submit comments, reviews and propose recommendations on the performances engagements, challenges and modalities of improvement for future CASA Games.

Hon. Speaker, the committee held a total of 4 meetings to consider the report and pronouncements prevailed by the participants through their team captains and general observations. All members while supporting leveraged cohesion and coexistence in principle; proposed amendments and recommendations on the procedural practices of the Assemblies CASA Games.

Hon Speaker, the committee finds this report to be the right step towards streamlining the handling and occurrence of the succeeding CASA Games. The report provides for the engagements, performances, challenges and modalities of improvement for the just concluded CASA Games to provide for the advancement of administration and participation of the CASA Games henceforth.

LEGAL FRAME WORK AND COMMITTEE MANDATE

Hon. Speaker, the committee bestows its mandate pursuant to the provisions of the standing order 193(5), the committee on Sports, Culture, Gender and Youth Affairs 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, access 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, cinema, video shows and hiring, libraries, museums, sports and cultural activities and facilities and county parks and beaches and recreational facilities; children's welfare; and control of drugs and pornography*."

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The following are the members of the committee on Sports, Culture, Gender and Youth Affairs as currently constituted in line with the provisions of Standing Order No 193 (6)

1. Hon. Nancy Matara Ochieng - Chairperson
2. Hon. James Were - Vice Chairperson
3. Hon Zachary Okoyo - Member
4. Hon. Mildred Ajumbo - Member
5. Hon. James Omollo - Member
6. Hon. Benson Adega - Member
7. Hon. Maurice Ngeta - Member

Acknowledgment

Hon Speaker, on behalf of the Sectoral Committee on Sports, Culture, Gender and Youth Affairs, 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 the committee's mandate is arrived at within the stipulated time.

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

In support of the provisions of the County Assembly Standing Order No 163 (c) and 182, it is my pleasant duty and privilege to submit this report on the CASA Games, 2023 to this House for consideration and approval.

INTRODUCTION

Hon. Speaker, the County Assemblies Sports Association (CASA) is a multisport event that brings together County Assemblies of Kenya to commemorate their distinctive place in the nation through Sports and Cultural activities. The fourth Edition of the CASA Sports themed "Inculcating integration and social interactions through sports and diverse cultures" was hosted by Nakuru County on the 19th of August 2023 to 27th August, 2023. This event brought together County Legislatives and members of staff for an eventful bonanza that leveraged on cohesion and co-existence.

Preliminary to this event a flag off Ceremony that saw all the Members of the Assembly, Staff and delegated guests, took place on the 18th August, 2023 and was presided over by the Deputy Clerk. The Clerk in his remarks commended able participants in various disciplines and validated their commitment towards the CASA Games. Thereafter the Hon Speaker who oversaw the flagging off in his remarks mentioned the accomplishments for the past games in setting new standards and the deepened integration of various skills within the assembly. Additionally, the need to keep abreast in pursuing objectives in reassuring the tranquility of the entire County Assembly.

On the 21st of August 2023 all County Assemblies legislators and staff had a procession from the Nakuru County Assembly Grounds to the Nakuru ASK Grounds for the opening ceremony. This Ceremony programmed entertainment, remarks from delegated guests and opening games in football, Netball and volleyball. Thereafter the Assembly participated in various disciplines to compete with other County Assemblies under the CASA category, this included; Football, Volleyball, Netball, Choir, Athletics, Draughts, Table Tennis, Darts, Tug of war, Chess, Scrabble among others.

Performance by the County Assembly of Kisumu teams and their various setbacks

Hon. Speaker, the County Assembly of Kisumu faced off with other CASA affiliated teams within the already organized pools in different venues within Kabarak University and that of The Nakuru ASK grounds. The teams' enthusiasm spurred the participants to perform exemplary well. Trophies were awarded while individual participants were highly ranked.

Soccer team

The football team from the Assembly comprised of men drawn from both members of staff and members of the Assembly. The team played as per their pools and fixtures and valiantly gave it their all. The team won against Taita Taveta 4-2 in their opening match. Proceeded to winning against Elgeyo Marakwet 3-1 and Meru 1-0. The team made it to the quarter finals whereby they lost to Nairobi Assembly.

However, they were faced with the objection of having the CASA rules delayed thus not mastering them on time. There seemed to be less coordination on the technical bench sighting biased outcomes.

Table Tennis

The Assembly was represented by one member of the Assembly within the pool and fixtures. The team emerged position 5 overall despite having less participants and the men made it to the quarter round. The team was however eliminated at the group stages sighting disqualification for there was no female representation of the Assembly Members. The team had no allocation of uniforms and training equipment.

Choir

The choir team emerged position 1 in Own Choice, Position 2 in Set Piece and Position 3 in own composition. The team having bagged position 1 in the previous editions sighted competition having faced with less participation by members and participants who had other disciplines slotted for the same time. This was made reference to the previous CASA programs where the Choir team performed among the last and not among the first activities.

The choir team recommended that an opportunity arises for the consideration of a permanent choir team that are trained on continuous basis. This will in turn provide a revenue stream for the Assembly.

Tag of war

The Assembly fielded both men and women. The women team won against Machakos, Vihiga and Kajiado County Assemblies emerging position 3 overall. However, the Men team were defeated by Kajiado County.

The team protested on the absenteeism of members that was attributed to different venues of activities. It was also a concern on the outfits procured were non fit for all including the shoes.

Darts

The Assembly was represented by the staff of the assembly and were knocked off at the group stages.

The team had no proper practicing equipment and their requisitions were not delivered as stated. The team had no allocation of uniforms.

Draughts

The Assembly team emerged position 3 despite having only male representatives. It was however put forward that the team had no trainer and were not issued with uniforms.

Scrabble and Chess

The Chess and Scrabble team had impressive individual rankings but overall rankings showed the need for more training in the annual event. A limited number of participants registered constraining the standard number of six participants. No uniforms were issued.

Netball

The Netball team beat Bomet County Assembly 28-0 and also Homabay in a very tight competition. They were however knocked at the quarter finals round 8.

It was misfortunate that the team received their uniforms late and had misfits on the same. Most participants were unavailable having had other disciplines occurring at the same time.

Volleyball

The volleyball male team lost to Makueni in the first round while the Volleyball women who played against Kericho also put up a good fight but was eliminated at the group stages.

Badminton

The County Assembly as presented in the event by both singles and doubles within their pools of the fixtures did well and qualified for quarter finals.

Athletics

The Assembly had a team that fielded both men and women.

Procurement of sports, uniforms and gears used during the CASA Games 2023

Hon. Speaker

The Directorate of Supply Chain Management in receipt of the memo dated 31st August, 2023 from the Committee on Sports, Culture, Gender & Youth Affairs reported on the Quality Assurance of the Sports equipment and Uniforms that were procured and the challenges faced and recommendations that may improve the County Assembly preparedness and Procurement Process in the future CASA games.

The Directorate highlighted the following key areas that pose risks of failure

Insufficient budget

In accordance to Section 53 of PPADA 2015(Revised 2022), the Accounting Officer is required to prepare an Annual Procurement Plan which is realistic in a format set out in the Regulations within the approved budget prior to commencement of each financial year as part of the annual budget preparation process. This plan originates from the user departmental in each and every financial year thus the final approved budget implemented through the departments.

The County Assembly of Kisumu has been preparing its procurement plans in strict adherence to the approved budgets. However, the historical budget in respect to Procurement of Sports Uniforms and Gears has led to insufficient budget which cannot support the Procurement of the required items.

Lack of proper specifications

The user department plays pivotal role in ensuring that quality goods and services are provided to the Assembly as enshrined in Regulations 34 of PPAD Regulations 2020 by initiating a procurement proceeding through Purchase Requisition with detailed specifications, bills of quantities and terms of reference developed by the departmental staff. In the case of the recent purchase requisitions, there were no detailed specifications hence non-uniformity of the procured items.

Late submissions of purchase requisitions by users

The Supply Chain Directorate had instances where they received requisitions late hence were not able to factor them in the Procurement process. For example, if the User department submits a request late to the Head of Procurement, the ultimate risk is either the goods, services or works will not be procured at all, delivered late, or the Assembly will be in a hurry to receive the items/services to salvage the crisis which in most cases may bypass the quality checks required in the inspection process.

Registration of Honorable Members and Staff in many Disciplines.

It was noted with concern that some members and staff registered their names in almost five disciplines which is not realistic as some games are played at the same time in different venues. This category of players practically participated in one or at most two games despite taking all the uniforms for the disciplines they were registered in, hence no value for money

COMMITEES OBSERVATIONS

Hon. Speaker

1. That, awards and trophies were won but there were no funds set aside to recognize and award teams and individuals who performed well in the games.
2. That, there was a leadership vacuum, representation of the Assembly on technical benches was a let down

3. That, some members and staff registered in about five disciplines which is not realistic as some games are played at the same time in different venues.
4. That, players despite taking all the uniforms for the disciplines they were registered, participated in one or at most two games.
5. That, Uniforms and equipment were not matching the teams' requisitions
6. That, the composition of teams had no balance
7. That, preparation and training of the event was not maximized and lagged on time. This is attributed to poor fitness practices among others.
8. That, budget constraints deemed a hindrance to the execution of supplies

COMMITEES RECOMMENDATIONS

Hon. Speaker

1. That, for proper coordination of all future activities and processes related to CASA Games, a team should be established comprising representatives of the Committee of Sports, Culture, Gender and Youth Affairs, Department of Communication & PR and Directorate of Supply Chain Management to address the issues of late requisitions, lack of proper specifications of uniforms and sports gears, branding and registration of Hon. Members and staff in various disciplines.

2. That, registration of Hon. Members and staff to various sporting activities should be limited to a maximum of two disciplines.

3. That, there should be a budgetary allocation for medals and awards factored in the budget for Committee on Sports, Culture, Gender and Youth Affairs.

4. That, Early preparations: - Being an annual event, the Assembly should not wait until CASA schedule is released to begin requisitions and practices. Practices for various disciplines should be consistent and continuous.

5. That, the County Assembly should consider training of Staff from user departments on developing detailed specifications to ensure standardization and uniformity of the items that are procured.

6. That, in future budgets, priority should be stressed on areas such as Sports Uniforms, equipment and other essential items to Members of the County Assembly and Staff by putting sufficient and realistic budget to cater for the procurement of the items.

7. That, the User departments prepare purchase requisitions in good time to enable the Procurement process to be undertaken within the approved timelines. This will ensure that the Inspection and Acceptance Committee; inspect and where necessary test the goods received.

    i. Ensure that the goods meet the terms and specifications of the Contract.
    ii. Accept or reject; on behalf of the Procuring entity, the delivered goods.
    iii. Ensure the correct quantity of the goods is received.

iv. Ensure that the goods meet the technical standards defined in the contract.
v. Ensure that the goods or services have been delivered or completed on time, or that any delay has been noted and action taken promptly.

8. That, the Assembly to have a wellness subscription for both Members and staff for proper training and general fitness.

9. That, uniforms issued have labels and names and returned as soon as the games are over to have them reused to reduce cost incurred on acquiring more and improving on quality of the next purchase.

10. That, a hospitality team be formed from the Co-coordinating Committee the purpose of motivation (refreshments and food) during and after the games and also oversee the maintenance of returned labeled uniforms.

Conclusion

Madam Speaker, the Committee would like to implore this Honourable House to consider the adoption of this report of the 4th Edition of the County Assemblies Sports Association Games, 2023. Madam Speaker, may I call upon Hon. Nancy Matara to second. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Yes Hon. Matara.

Hon. Matara (Nominated Member): Thank you Madam Speaker. I second the report.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Honourable Members, now that the report by the Standing Committee of Sports, Culture, Gender, Youth Affairs on the 4th Edition of the County Assemblies Sports Association (CASA) Games 2023 held in Nakuru from 19th to 27th August, 2023 has been presented by Hon. Were and seconded by Hon. Matara. As per the provisions of our Standing Orders.

Honourable Members, I want to propose a question that the report by the Standing Committee of Sports, Culture, Gender Youth Affairs on the 4th Edition of the County Assemblies Sports Association (CASA) Games 2023 held in Nakuru from 19th to 27th August, 2023 is now open for debate.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Yes, Hon. Reuben Rakwach.

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, East Kolwa ward): Madam Speaker, going by the moods of the House, may I call the mover to reply. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Yes, Hon James Were, can you reply?

Hon. Ochele (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi ward): A point of Order, Madam Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Yes, what is it Hon. Moses Ochele?

Hon. Ochele (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi ward): (*On a Point of Order*) Madam Speaker, I was on my feet, and when a Hon. Member is on their feet, the other Member cannot purport that the House is dormant. So, I beg that you give me this chance to debate.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Okay, Hon. Ochele can you go on.

Hon. Ochele (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi ward): Madam Speaker, the tendency of hastily calling the mover to reply is wrong, Madam Speaker. We are here to debate and not to call the mover to reply, unless we do not know why we are here. I beseech Members to avoid that tendency of Hon. James Omollo of calling the mover to reply. Madam Speaker, I have something to say about the report…

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Yes, Hon. Reuben Rakwach

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, East Kolwa ward): (*On a Point of Order*) Hon. Speaker, I believe that I take offence because it is not that my work is usually just to call the mover to reply as has been insinuated by Hon. Ochele, and I demand that he withdraws.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Hon Ochele, can you withdraw your statement then you continue with your submission.

Hon. Ochele (MCA, East Kano-Wawidhi Ward): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I do not see the reason for me to withdraw because the work that Hon. Rakwach just did was to call the mover to reply. If I am wrong then the Chair can confirm. I can only withdraw if he never mentioned the words 'may I call the mover to reply' So, Madam Speaker just allow me continue unless I am setting a pace for the debate. I can allow Hon. Rakwach to continue debating.

Hon. Speaker, I have something to say about the report, and as has been said by the Vice Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Sports, Culture, Gender and Youth Affairs…

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Hon. Reuben Rakwach, I can see you are up.

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, East Kolwa ward): Madam Speaker, it is my belief that Hon. Ochele was out of his memory because he said that my work is always to call the mover to reply. I believe that it is only today that I have called the mover to reply, and it is the reason why I am persuading him to or demand that he withdraws. I believe that I am an active Member of this House, and I normally contribute on the floor of the House. Insinuating that my work is just to call the mover to reply is very wrong Madam Speaker, and I take offence to that statement. Let Hon. Ochele withdraw. In addition, he should not give guidance; it is the work of the Hon.

Speaker to give guidance so, he should not instruct me to sit down and that he can only have room for debating.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Okay. Hon. Ochele, can you go ahead with your submission.

Hon. Ochele (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi Ward): Madam Speaker, I find Hon. Rakwach completely out of order because I said that he should not take the role of Hon. James Omollo who normally calls the mover to reply. So, the person who should take offence is not him but the Hon. James Omollo, unless I did not get what I said clearly. I consider that that Point of Order is Out of Order and the Chair should rule it out of order. Madam Speaker, I have just gotten a bit of the report as has been read by Hon. James Were, but I had time to go through it in the soft copy. Madam Speaker, the report itself is good and quite accurate, and the reader also presented it well but the one seconding had nothing to say. I thought that the seconder could have debated but she failed to debate her own motion.

However, Madam Speaker, this year's game being the first I do not want to give them any credit not to the committee but to the organizers of the County Assembly Sports Association (CASA) Games. Everyone who attended the games knows what happened in Nakuru. It was substandard, most officials were biased and some counties were biased, specifically most counties were taking Kisumu County for a ride. This led our Speaker to protest when we were being treated unfairly. Madam Speaker, if the trend I saw in Nakuru is what will be happening next year, then I see no need of us being part of that games. We do not prepare just to attend an event which is predetermined. I consider it is a joke and a mockery on the representative and also the players.

Secondly, Madam Speaker, the procurement team from the Assembly did the worst. Considering that I also made my comment on it on our general WhatsApp wall that the kind of preparations that we made especially on the kits is the worst of all times. We got substandard kits; some could not even fit us. I was assuming that I will get what I was to get but up to date I have not because of ill preparedness. If we are to continue that way Madam Speaker, then I contemplate that there is no need for us recording our names in certain disciplines. As a member of this County Assembly, I believe that I deserve the best but what I was given was like a cowboy picked from the village. I was treated badly. When I talk about, I being treated badly, then I am talking on behalf of majority of us who were not happy with how they were treated. Chair, Hon. Matara, I want you to be more active this time round because when I am crying for justice, the voice which should be representing me most is you. So, take note that most of us were not properly treated. In addition, you were not there to be seen. You should be visible so that when we have complaints then we can tell you and you take action. Otherwise, Madam Speaker, I support the report.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Yes, Hon. Carren Ajwang'

Hon. Ajwang' (MCA, Kaloleni-Shaurimoyo Ward): Thank you, Madam Speaker; I want to take this opportunity to congratulate Hon. Members and the secretariat who participated in different disciplines. Special mention goes to the choir members who emerged position one overall, position one in Sacred Song, and position two in Set-piece and Own Composition. Similarly, the Tug –of-War Women's Team managed to be in position three. I am happy to be in both choir and Tug-of-War. The tug-of-war team did it again in Busia taking position one, and we bagged a trophy. Madam Speaker, if I can remember very well, whatever we saw in Nakuru was not good. Next time, let the CASA leadership be organized and let things be done the right way because we were not happy, otherwise, I support the report.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Yes, Hon. Peter Obaso.

Hon. Obaso (Nominated Member): Thank you, Madam Speaker. Let me start by commending the committee on a job well done on this report. Secondly, I want to commend all the players who participated in various disciplines. I believe that they did us justice except for the officiating and the leadership of that CASA organization that was not as per our expectation. Thirdly, I just want to urge our players; most of them did not undergo the fitness that is required. So, this is to remind them to continue with the training even after the conclusion of the games….

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Order!! Hon. Rakwach and Hon. Ochele.

Hon. Obaso (Nominated Member): Madam Speaker, as you had seen most of the sports apparels were not up to the standards required or befitting the County Assembly. They were of low quality just to give an example the apparels donned by our football players and other equipments. So, I just want to urge the House Committee and the department tasked with procuring of these sports apparels that next time please do a better job than what was done this time around. Madam Speaker, with those few remarks I beg to support. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Hon. Oraro, member representing Central Kolwa Ward.

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. I believe that there is total confusion even from the report of the County Assembly of Kisumu participating in the CASA, 2023 Games. I want to state that, the County Assembly of Kisumu did not put its ducks in a row. It is recently that the Leader of Majority talked about the quorum hitch and this is getting worse each and every passing day because some people are not taking their work seriously. I don't believe that the Committee of Sports took their work seriously and it's the reason as to why Members are really bitter but, their bitterness is a result of their own actions.

Madam Speaker, if you have keenly looked at the House but, because the Speaker is considered to be blind, you will realize that there is something amiss and if you want to rectify a mistake,

you confront it head-on that is why my colleague Hon. Ochele pointed out without fear of contradiction that, these problems started and emanated from the Department of Supply Chain Management. This was by not consulting the players and not having close consultations and attachment with the teams. Madam Speaker, moving forward, you realize by the time you are going into the field and it is known that Kisumu County is expected and known to be well organized comparatively to other opponents, but there was total confusion. Despite these challenges, I would like to congratulate the players who did all their level best and proved that they were worth plying other counties and winning with huge margin in terms of goals and representing our County Assembly well. Madam Speaker, the actions and behaviors of a County Assembly like Nairobi while approaching Kisumu was so uncalled for and that alone instilled fear in regards to our quality. So, the problems that we are talking about CASA and the protest by our own Honourable Speaker on the events to some extent I believe that Hon. Mickey and Hon. Matara who are delegates that are representing Kisumu in the CASA Delegates Committee need to inform this House about the truth on what transpired.

Madam Speaker, I was reliably informed that during the Delegate's meetings, I am not aware where Hon. Matara was because it was rumored that Hon. Matara and Hon. Olima, I don't know if they attended those meetings so that by the time we were to handover to other officials to be part of the delegation, they were nowhere to be seen. So, it was like we never had any representation where decisions were being made. Madam Speaker, for that reason, we as an Assembly felt duped but, the long lie started with the County Assembly before going for the extravaganza. Madam Speaker, on other events, the County Assembly did well that includes staff and Members were fully represented and everyone enjoyed their stay in Nakuru apart from the organization of the games which I believe was an administrative issue and if there is an alternative to CASA that we can borrow a leaf from, I still want to remind our Members that, first, we must put our House in order to enable us triumph in a lot of things. Especially, when it comes to taking issues serious.

Madam Speaker, I want to state that I am a disappointed Member of the County Assembly because coming to the County Assembly and realizing that majority of us are not seeing the importance the Assembly and endeavoring to avoid to bringing to your attention about the quorum and I believe that is not prudent in any way and we need to address this matter. Madam Speaker, because we are faced with this problem and we are all aware that one of us is bereaved, it is my belief that soon we need to convene a *"Kamukunji"* and chart a way forward for the Assembly so that we do our representation and legislative roles as expected of us. Madam Speaker, everything is falling and the London Bridge is falling in Kisumu County. Madam Speaker, I do not support this report.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Yes Hon. Mickey Ochieng'

Hon. Mickey (Nominated Member): Thank you Madam Speaker. I heard my name mentioned adversely. So, I would like to respond and maybe put a few things straight. Madam Speaker, I am a Member of this County Assembly representing this County Assembly at the County Assemblies Forum (CAF) and not in CASA as it has been previously mentioned. Madam Speaker, CASA is an organization under the CAF umbrella. Madam Speaker, I believe that most of the Chairpersons of Sports Committees in each County Assembly are represented in CAF. Madam Speaker, but CAF equally as it were, has its membership because I don't know if it is the organogram which specifies the level as they should be. Our Chair does not sit in the National Executive Council (NEC) which is the highest level of the hierarchy of CASA. I believe that she is in GEC which I believe is General Executive Council of CASA. So, there are things that the Chair may not be privy to and I am not speaking for her and that is the little that I am aware of about CASA. Madam Speaker, as a new Member of this County Assembly there are things that I may or may not know about CASA on its mandate or what it is supposed to do or not mandated to do within and outside of the Assembly. So, when the Member of County assembly representing Kolwa Central is purporting that we should have known it is by belief that this is really unfair because this Member is a Second Term Member….

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa Ward): Madam Speaker, Point of order!!

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): What is the Point of Order Hon. Oraro?

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa Ward): Madam Speaker, Hon. Mickey has just accepted that she is indeed a Member of CAF which is a senior authority…

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Hon. Oraro, which Orders are you citing?

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa Ward): Madam Speaker, I am rising while citing the provisions of Standing Orders No. 90.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Hon. Member, I don't think that there is any Standing Order on that…

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa Ward): Madam Speaker, I can confirm under Statement of Facts and the Member is accepting that CASA is a constituent body of CAF…

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): No!! Please allow Hon. Mickey to continue.

Hon. Mickey (Nominated Member): Madam Speaker, Hon. Oraro knows very well that CAF is not CASA. Please let me just put it in a clear context. The Kisumu County Assembly has an Executive and we cannot say that all the time that we speak as an Assembly on when the County Executive is speaking, then, we are speaking one and the same thing. Madam Speaker, there are times that the issues that we speak in the County Assembly is different is what we say or what people at the county Executive say. …

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa Ward): Madam Speaker, let the Member apologize to this House that she never did a good job…
The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Hon. Oraro, please let Hon. Mickey conclude her statement

Hon. Mickey (Nominated Member): Madam Speaker, I don't even want to elongate or belabour on this matter but what I am stating is that yes I a member of CAF and CASA is a constituent body under CAF so I am not going to belabour on this point. The Member needs to apologize…. Madam Speaker, please protect me from this Member…

(Laughter)

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Hon. Ochele, are you on a Point of Order?

Hon. Ochele (MCA, East Kano-Wawidhi Ward): Yes Madam Speaker. I am rising on Orders No. 89 on Statement of Facts.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): There are no such orders. If there is, which one? Hon. Member, you are out of order.

Hon. Ochele (MCA, East Kano-Wawidhi Ward): Madam Speaker, it is just recently when we were with you in the Senate and when Senator arises on Statement of Facts, the Speaker does not belabour to read and refer. The Speaker just expressively gives. Madam Speaker, if this Assembly can be dealt with the way I am seeing you doing, then nobody will be debating in this Assembly… If a Member arises on a Point of Order, you expressively give chance to that Member to talk unless you are gagging Members from talking…

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Kolwa Central Ward): Madam Speaker, Hon. Ochele is naked and I don't think he is right to speak unless he gets out.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Serjeant-at-Arms can you please confirm if the Honourable Member mentioned is properly dressed.

Hon. Ochele (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi): Madam Speaker, before the Serjeant-at-arm confirm, Hon. Oraro is equally naked. And if I have to get out, allow us to hold hands and walk out together. He's not in a tie and I'm not in a tie.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Okay. Serjeant can you please confirm if the two Hon. Members are dressed appropriately.

Hon. Ochele (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi): My shirt is an African print. The Serjeant has confirmed I am not naked. Thank you for the good job.

Madam Speaker, I rose on a point of order and I know what is disturbing my friend Hon. Oraro. Anytime I arise on a point of order he feels that I'm ready with the stones and jabs towards his direction which is not the case today. Today I'm on Hon. Mickey's reasoning. Madam Speaker. It is not in order for Hon. Mickey to struggle to defend her position as a member of CAF. And the CASA we are talking about is a subsidiary body of CAF. If your subordinate misbehaves, the whip is with you, you crack the whip. So far, we've not got any report where our representatives, have said that his or her members were mistreated. That is what we need from her, otherwise why is she there? Is she there just to earn allowances? She is there to protect our rights and if our rights have been abused then the first step is to defend us and bring us the report that on this day I stood and defended Kisumu County Assembly from being mistreated. Madam Speaker, she did not defend us on that day or any other day to date. Madam Speaker, then who is she representing? Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Hon. Mickey Take your seat. Honorable Members, I think we are debating on the report by the Committee on sports, culture and gender committee and not on the role of honorable Miki at CAF and CASA so can you please continue with the debate? Note that.

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Central Kolwa Ward): Madam Speaker, Point of Order!!

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Hon. Oraro, you are rising citing which Standing orders?

Hon. Oraro (MCA, Kolwa Central Ward): Madam Speaker, I am citing the provisions of Standing Orders No. 89 on Statement of Fact. You cannot blame a reporting blaming CASA and you are trying to say that CASA can be led by a representative from the Assembly, who is CAF. Hon. Mickey and Hon. Ouko represent us in CAF. They earn allowance from the Assembly. If there is a serious report or if she stood up to speak the she would have said that this report has

been brought to her attention and this action they have taken under CAF. So how can you gag the report and you want us to stay about things?

Honourable Mickey is a very powerful lady. We were just trying to link CASA to the senior body called CAF where we have representatives. We are not accusing you but by her position, she is at liberty to say that she has received such a complaint and this is what they have discussed even if it not a full report. By doing that, it shows some responsibility on her side that she is representing our Assembly as our ambassador in that bigger body called CAF.

We are not accusing her but; we are talking about CAF and her representation to CAF. It is not only Hon. Mickey but also our colleague Hon. Ken Ouko, by that; they have a better chance to explain further on the same. So Madam Speaker, if you want to gag the debate you are at liberty because your ruling is final. But truth be told CAF should have done a correspondence to the Assembly after the Speaker had complained. Thank you Madam Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Yes Hon. Mickey, I think we need to bring closure on this issue.

Hon. Mickey (Nominated Member): Madam Speaker, this is very true. I'm not defending. I was just stating facts. And as Honorable Oraro has said, truth be told, my job is not to come here to defend, my job is to defend at my position. Where is it? So do you know for a fact that I did not defend because I can show you chats showing that I did? And I will. Secondly, when you say that I'm your representative in CASA that is not true. I'm your representative in CAF, not CASA and do you know how many of these representatives are here? Your representatives of CAF from the Assembly

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): Point of order. Honourable Speaker.

Hon. Mickey (Nominated MCA): Madam Speaker, please let the Member allow me to conclude.

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): Madam Speaker, is the Honourable Member allowed to directly engage an Honorable Member who spoke? I believe that this should be done through the Chair.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Thank you for the information Hon. Rakwach. Honorable Mickey!!

Hon. Mickey (Nominated Member): Madam Speaker most obliged.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Please address the Chair.

Hon. Mickey (Nominated MCA): Madam Speaker. All said and done, we have also pointed out the mistakes or the faults as an Assembly. There were so many things that we did not do right that we ought to have done which is highlighted out in that report. So, even as we want to throw stones, we also went wrong as an Assembly even as you want to defend your County Assembly. It's also important to note that there were so many of us who are not involved in these games. And some of these games were not ongoing because of the constitution of the members of the Assembly verses the staff of the Assembly. Can we also agree that there were mistakes or faults made by us and that created or later led us to where we are even as we say that. So Madam Speaker, I just want to say that let's all carry the burden. Let's not point fingers we have learned and the reason why.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): What is it Hon. Ochele!!

Hon. Ochele (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Hon. Ochele please, allow Hon. Mickey to finish then I give you the chance to speak.

Hon. Ochele (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi Ward): Madam Speaker, this is lengthy allow me to go on. Madam Speaker, our representative to CAF is our lawyer. Your lawyer takes care of your back, even if he/she knows that your back is dirty. So here, our lawyer is saying that she can't defend us because our back is dirty. Why is she there then? Because our representative is there to represent me in cases where I'm wrong or right, now is she saying she was mum because we are dirty, is that way she's in CAF?

Madam Speaker, I want to commend Mr. Speaker. He wrote a very laborious letter before we left for Nakuru. If Hon. Mickey and Hon. Ouko turned to that, they should have revisited the letter done by the Speaker. Who knows the Assembly better? Is it our representative or the Speaker?

The Speaker noted that we were mistreated and he noted that there is corruption within CASA. Kisumu County did not give money to any official but other Counties like Nairobi what they did was bribing the officials. What did Kisumu do wrong? What we did as Kisumu County Assembly is done everywhere in all the assemblies. How was the composition of Nairobi? Why the players we played against were are not the same ones Homabay played against? Because Homabay identified them and removed them. Was Homabay composed of only staff and members or maybe Siaya County? Madam Speaker it was all over. But the representative must highlight that because the mistakes in Kisumu County are the mistakes elsewhere.

Madam Speaker normally, when a committee goes out whether for a friendly visit or whatever a report should be in this House. Madam Speaker this CAF team when are they bringing a report. I've never heard them mentioning that, now we are from Nairobi, Mombasa and this is the report. We discussed this so that members could debate on what they discussed there. What is their role? Madam Speaker, I was once a representative in CAF and anytime I went out I used to bring reports and this team focuses on allowances and going out. I'm here to defend my foot.

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): Point of information. Honorable Speaker, I wish to inform this House and am I allowed?

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Please proceed.

Hon. Rakwach (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. I believe that CASA is a subset of CAF and we have members in CAF. These members in CAF are the ones who were present when CASA officials were being elected, so they participated in electing these people. If at all these people are not doing their work then I believe that it is our members in CAF who should come first and defend us because these are people who they elected and they are the ones who can impeach them or unseat them from their seats Honorable Speaker. I therefore don't think it is in order for the member to say that she's not CASA because we are also not in CAF as well but they are the ones who elected those who are in those who are serving in CASA today. I rest my case. I think the House is informed, thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominate Member): Yes Hon. Mickey.

Hon. Mickey (Nominated Member): Madam Speaker, it is really embarrassing when a Member rises to say something he/she assumes that they know when they actually don't know; for lack of a better word. When I was elected to go and represent this House in CAF, Members of CASA had already gone ahead. By the time I was elected there, they had already done their elections and that is the reason why the Chairperson of Sports went and found when the elections were done and that is why Hon. Olima was able to get into CAF. As it stands what I have heard is that the Sports Chairpersons from each County Assembly is the one who is supposed to be a representative in CASA. So I do not know why there is controversy about me being in CASA or CAF. In all honesty, there are currently two representatives in CASA, and any grievances should be directed towards them rather than towards me. While my primary role in CAF is to represent our interests, it is also my responsibility to ensure that important matters of the Assembly at the national level receive the attention they deserve.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated MCA): Hon. Oraro, you are out of order. Proceed Hon. Mickey.

Hon. Mickey (Nominated Member): Madam Speaker, for Hon. Ochele to say that he was in CAF my question there to him is what constructive thing did he do while in CAF apart from collecting those allowances as he says. I would also seek clarity from Hon. Ochele what game he played as a member of the County Assembly when we were in Nakuru County for the CASA games. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Yes Hon. Nyaoke.

Hon. Nyaoke (MCA, North Nyakach Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. First of all I would like to thank the Members and state that our CAF representatives are doing a good job. Even right from the time they were being appointed or elected we were never made to understand exactly on what tasks they were going to do there. So let us assume that what is taking place is exactly what they were told to go and do there. So we should not have any argument as to whether they have performed or not.

Madam Speaker, going back to the report that has been read before us; if you look at the recommendations given then you will realize that those are some of the things that we could deliberate on. I want to say that in this House that at some point I acted as a CASA official while we were in Nakuru and I think I did save quite a number of situations that were to be mishandled. Madam Speaker, if you look at some of these recommendations particularly… what I continue to say up to now Madam Speaker is that let us have the arrangement to start the practice/trainings are done in good time. We are already back from the games and we still have time to practice and those who are playing football, I think the management can organize for the practice and organize for friendly matches with other likeminded organizations. I do propose that there were even some games that we were not able to participate in because training sessions were not done well. This is the right time that the committee should arrange and get the necessary allocation so that we can buy the uniforms so that next year we don't have to run and even asking who is going to play what. Madam, Speaker, something I would like to recommend is that let us not have one Member participating in more than two disciplines.

Madam Speaker if there is any chance to even rearrange the officials taking us to these games then let us put them to task so that we have time and enough people. What I saw there is that if your time has got serious representatives then you will be able to prosper in you fields. I think we did have a fight when we were doing the tug-of-war for women and that is the time I acted as a CASA official to rule that the tug-of-war must proceed. It is my sincere recommendation that let us take this matter seriously. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): I would like to call upon Hon. Were to reply since he had previously been called upon to reply.

Hon. Were (MCA, Nyalenda "B" Ward): Thank you Madam Speaker. I want to take this opportunity to thank both the staff and Members of this House Committee for the job well done and I also want to implore and thank the entire Assembly for having put their views and recommendations on the best way possible on how we can move forward. Considering the several recommendations that were issued by the committee, let us ensure that we adhere to every single recommendation that is put in place and let us implore on our County Assembly Service Board to ensure that the best practice is adhered when it comes to procurement of apparels and equipment and qualify must be observed.
Madam Speaker, I would like to propose to this House that when we consider the budget, we take into account a crucial recommendation made by the Department of Supply Chain Management. They indicated that their inability to procure top-quality equipment and uniforms for our teams was due to insufficient funds. Therefore, I urge us to allocate adequate budgetary provisions to ensure they can acquire high-quality equipment and apparels for our teams.

One of the recommendations put in place suggests that individuals involved in multiple disciplines must attend training sessions both at the Jomo Kenyatta Sports Ground for football and at Grace Onyango Social Hall for table tennis simultaneously. This arrangement is not feasible. I propose that we adhere to participating in only one or two disciplines to ensure maximum concentration and effectiveness. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Thank you Honourable Were. Honourable Members, now that the report by Sports, Culture, Gender, and Youth Affairs committee on the 4th Edition of the County Assemblies Sports Association (CASA) Games, 2023 held in Nakuru from 19th August, 2023 to 27th August, 2023 has been moved, seconded and debated upon, I therefore want to put a question on the adoption of the same.

(Question put and agreed to)

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Honourable Members, the report by Sports, Culture, Gender, and Youth Affairs committee on the 4th Edition of the County Assemblies Sports Association (CASA) games, 2023 held in Nakuru from 19th August, 2023 to 27th August, 2023 is hereby adopted today 28th September, 2023 at 03.59 p.m. I want to direct that the recommendations of this report and the House debate be forwarded to the relevant offices for purposes of implementation and direct that the Implementation Committee to follow up on the implementation of the same.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominate Member): Next Order!!

ADJOURNMENT

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Oginga, Nominated Member): Honourable Members, there being no any other business to transact, the House stands adjourned to Tuesday, 03rd October, 2023 at 2.30 p.m.

(House rose at 4.05 p.m.)

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