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KISUMU COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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(Prayers by Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi)

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Hon. Osumba Olum: Mr. Speaker, since the Chairman of ECD is not around and as a member of that Committee, I would like to give a notice of motion on report of ECD and Vocational Training.

Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi) is there any other notices of motion?

MOTION

CONTINUATION OF THE REPORT BY ECD, VOCATIONAL TRAINING AND ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE ON ECD TEACHERS RECRUITMENT AND BURSARY

Hon. Osumba Olum: I want to present this motion because it is a continuation of the motion we shared here last time and I would wish the members to continue with it and I want to request Hon. Pamela Ayoo to second.

Hon. Pamela Ayoo: Thank you Madam Speaker, I stand to second the continuation of the motion.

Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Thank you Hon. Members, I want to propose a question that the report of ECD Vocational Training and Adult Education on ECD Teachers and Bursaries, be debated.

Hon. Petronila Omondi: Thank you Madam Speaker, I want to support the discussion of this motion and the ECD and bursary disbursement that is where I want to base on. Right now we are having budgets on construction of ECD classrooms but when we go to the ground, the reality of ECD comprises of baby class, middle class and final but not what we have budgeted for, I would like to see the plan for the ECD classroom, I don't know if the chair will clarify if there is erection of ECD classrooms because some of the classrooms are being erected as one classroom

and I don't know if that one is going to take care of the provisions required, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Chair of ECD to take note to confirm what Hon. Petronila is asking.

Hon. Caroline Agwanda: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I support the motion because it captures the needs of children with disabilities. What I didn't see here is the accessible washrooms for those children, I would request that they consider having accessible washrooms for this children with disabilities, and I am happy the report has stated well on the accessibility of the classrooms that really shows what the County is doing on accessibility is quite appreciated, I therefore support the motion Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Isaya Onyango.

Hon. Isaya Onyango (Chief Whip): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to support the report from ECD committee and if I go through the report and recommendations from the committee Mr. Speaker, from there we are going to have a lot of problems and from the look of things, it was here when we said some monies were given to other people who were not supposed to have them. It is said the money was given to women representative and I think according to the law which guides this bursary funds, it was not supposed to be like that. When you look at our first disbursement there is a lot of abnormalities and accountabilities so I support disbursement be done once a year to avoid ward inconvenience Mr. Speaker.

I want again to talk about recommendation number nine, Mr. Speaker, a person who is a form two drop out can only go to youth polytechnic, so let us strengthen our polytechnics and equip them with modern facilities and each constituency should have a modern polytechnic, therefore I stand to support the report of ECD thank you**.**

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Samuel Ong'ou

Hon. Samuel Ong'ou: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to support the report of ECD committee however this report has a lot of challenges. The issue number one on the salary of ECD Assistant, I do not understand how the Board came up with such a low salary for trained teachers i.e salary of 12,500 per month for a trained teacher of ECD, first of all you need to be concerned how much the accommodation alone will cost this person. Mr. Speaker, if you look at ECD there are those who are trained at certificate level, Diploma level but when you put them to be earning 12,500 per month and when you look at the teachers at the primary they are earning four times than this, then this is clearly showing that the County Government is trying to demoralize teachers so that they don't work. In this report, the total number of ECD per sub-county is not accurate and I want to ask the committee to look at it and work on it a fresh. For example in Muhoroni there are more than ten public ECD teachers and they are known and I don't understand how the sub-county is indicated here three, I don't know in some other Sub-Counties

but it is like you employ three teachers in Muhoroni then you will have solve the case, so this report which is saying that Muhoroni is having three teachers is not true. Mr. Speaker, about the standard classrooms I don't know our department needs to move with speed to see what will be used by the learners and the teachers otherwise this will only be concentrated in building classrooms and employment. Lastly, I saw in the report that some of the village polytechnics don't have teachers at all and this are the polytechnics being run by the County Government. I don't know what the County Government is planning to do with this situation because you cannot accept that you are running an Institution and you know there is no teachers there and you still insist that you are running then who will teach, so it is a good report, some should be re done and others not, thank you Mr. Speaker sir.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Chair, I hope you are noting the concerns and all the problems, I will have to put it to you.

Hon. Moses Ochele: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to support this report at least for once this committee has done something which can be talked about. The report has cut across the mandate and they have even gone as far as giving us the chart, Mr. Speaker, almost all the seven Sub-Counties made it and the only challenge that they have is the task in the ground, the recruitment was done without any parts supporting this recruitment. In this logistics the least paid ECD teachers is from 10,500 and the highest earns 12,500 and Mr. Speaker for example in Central Kisumu Central Sub-County they were privileged to get 120 ECD teachers and then the total number of public schools that they have is 33 and according to this report they have excess of 87, Kisumu East have excess of 55. Mr. Speaker if this recruitment was done then as we speak today no Sub-County will be lacking a single ECD teacher, we are making the number of ECD and then to get the basis, so what will you do with the 55 excess, what will you do with 87, the best thing to do is to redeploy them to other Sub-Counties but the challenge comes in when the numerations comes in. I represent a ward and telling a teacher to go and teach far end will not work. We have enough ECD teachers for every school but when you go to Kisumu East to Kisumu Central , I agree with this committee that let us advise this House and to give this committee the department concerned ECD equipment and if funds are not available they must address the issue of hiring based on demands because as Executive Members they don't represent Kisumu Central alone they don't represent Nyando alone but they represent the entire County, so they should demand a number of all ECD centres and when they hire they hire based on needs so that when someone is picked then in deployment this one was taken to Awasi. Mr. Speaker, it is very demoralizing and in every rural school every teacher should be hired and it means the committee would return the teachers back to their nearest schools. Mr. Speaker by now I won't be complaining of shortage of teachers because I have twenty and now I have a shortage of four, everybody should be complaining of two but why four because this four and most of the teachers who were deployed to remote centres opted to resign. I expected this committee to show us how many have resigned. I know of several cases of ECD teachers of Kisumu East and Kisumu Central who have opted to resign because they can't work away from

the town centre, that is vital and I would request my friend Hon. Achayo to see that because we are talking about creating employment and the kind of employment being created has ended up being frustrating for our people, let them give you that data. Mr. Speaker, we are now in part of building ECD classrooms and in our Institutions. I saw it in the budget of 2015/2016 where quite a lot of money were put for feeding programme and equipment. I think in my own opinion before feeding the ECD pupils, we should give emphasis on structural equipment. All the funds should be engineered to the construction of one ECD classroom per each centre so that we now hire in our station.

Mr. Speaker, most of this ECD are neglected, they are abandoned, so a serious department in charge of this wing of education should talk of vocational training when they are in it. We were challenged as a committee of children, justice and community development taken by Hon. Petronila. We toured Rotary just steps away and what we saw there is what you cannot narrate, and if that just take place right here at the city, what about Ahero Youth Polytechnic, there are Institutions worth mentioning in a report because they are left, neglected and they are dying.

Mr. Speaker I want to urge this committee to come up with a tabulation where you visit this Institutions so that you bring to this Assembly the actual status of every Institutions because the worst bit of it is that we are talking of old Institutions, do we have teachers there? Mr. Speaker we don't have most of them depends on donations and some of this donors pulled out long time ago. We have volunteers and volunteers means that they even lack transport to go home because the Government has never added any single cent to these Institutions. We require this committee to re-visit them and come up with a report and advice the Executive accordingly.

Mr. Speaker Vocational training are very important and a number of boys dropped out of the school, we need them to get training. Quite a number of boys may wish to continue with the careers, but they are not ensured with the intelligence Mr. Speaker so they have to drop out, but lacking that academic gift does not stop one from nurturing there betterment but they are only nurtured through this kinds of Institutions. I believe the committee will work and help us to have a strong vocational side Mr. Speaker

Mr. Speaker, finally it would have been appropriate if this report came after the report of how disbursement of bursaries so far have gone. It is not difficult we have only thirty five wards, we need to be taught of these thirty five wards, with every disbursement how many were beneficiaries because we are still in darkness and how about the 800,000 to be spent in this note Mr. Speaker even in my ward I need to be told apart from the one million allocation you ended up getting 200,000 by this far and this funds went for fifty students. Mr. Speaker if it is not coming because I heard a serious rumor and I request the house because it is a rumor, certain cheques was drawn by some members of the Executive.

The only way of scaring this rumor is by bringing up a report. So I am requesting this House through you Mr. Speaker that you mandate this committee, you instruct this committee to table

the report of the two disbursements so far, and otherwise the meaning of bursaries will never be the same in every ward. Every wards have different minutes, the minutes that I have is talking about 1.4 per disbursement while my brother is talking about 900,000. We want it to be seen and figures will never be equal some have little biased and we have seen it Mr. Speaker.

Finally I support the idea that bursaries be disbursed once in a financial year, it will save the panels the time they spend to work from their homes to travel to various Institutions where the children are. It will save them the money that they waste and end up getting no money, and I seriously support that direction, thank you so much and thank you ECD committee so much.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Priscah Misachi.

Hon. Priscah Misachi: Mr. Speaker I rise to support the report but I want to appeal to the chair of this committee that honestly in this House we are representing different wards, and each ward has its own problems. If you take for example Kisumu Central employed 120 ECD teachers. In Kisumu central there are six wards you cannot say each ward got twenty but I know of some wards which got twenty but then what could have helped us to raise that suspicion is to take Kisumu Central for example, give it one shit of paper tabulate all the wards and say in this ward we have gotten this and this so that it is balancing because what we knew here is that every ward was going to get twenty employees ECD and this was not the same because I have been tracing this people in my ward, and I think I ended up with four people who sat exams and some people are still struggling and if you ask them where are you coming from, " I am coming from Nyakach" and I wonder because ECD is a local thing being run by a community why per sub-county employ the same part and those are the bit problems which cut across all the wards. The salary paid is also very low , those who were teaching in private ECD did not take up our jobs because if you are being paid 15,000 where you work and somebody takes you on a new employment and you are offered 12,500 and you have Diploma and that movement was not realistic you will agree it with the chair to discuss it further with the Executive and let it come out clearly so that we can rectify a good salary for ECD because this is the foundation it should be mixed properly with concrete to get good foundation to be strong and I will appeal with the chair that the report is very good but if you search on this small issues then it will be excellent.

Another thing I want to support is the issuance of bursaries to our wards so that if we do not do it there are people doing it directly and accounts for what is being given to our wards and I will still insist that this ones to come to the wards offices Administrators office so that we can get records and give them to the Administrator to dispatch them. I think that is what I am seeing in bursaries and in employment which was recently done. Me I am honestly appealing to the ECD chair to give us per wards how many ECD's were employed in each ward so that one will erase the doubting in our memories and where they are coming from.

Why should you employ someone who was in primary school and a person who was struggling to be in a ECD centre is employed and taken to Muhoroni, is that realistic and then you are going

to earn 10,500 per month, I think that one is not justice. Let us think about it and as a committee note that and please come back to the House and have it explained because you have not reported on so many issues otherwise the report is good.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Opepo Simba.

Hon. Simba Opepo: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. I rise to support this report. Mr. Speaker this House came with a very good picture of coming up with bursaries and when you look at 2013/2014 the disbursement of the bursaries, it was two times in 2013/2014 and in 2014/2015 it has been disbursed once where is one million for each ward going? Because one million is floating and nobody knows where it is kept or who is having Mr. Speaker, let the Chairman tell the members where the one million is kept.

Mr. Speaker when you look at ECD for structuring various wards Mr. Speaker, when you look at number five it is written that every ECD classroom should be standard and Mr. Speaker when you look at the budget that was allocated each ward in every ECD classroom, there were two classrooms which of course will not be of satisfactory to the ECD pupils because we have the baby class, middle class and the final then with each three classes for ECD.

Mr. Speaker when you look at this classes especially my ward, there are two classes which of course are being built and left as elephant Mr. Speaker and when you ask why these classrooms are standing, we are told the County Government have not paid the contractor. Mr. Speaker it is not really fare for the County Government to introduce ECD centre whereby some centre are built and some are ignored.; if at all the chairman has stated here that all ECD classes should be standard he should know that not all the ECD classes are in the thirty five wards.

Mr. Speaker, when you look at the bursary it is fact that when the bursary was being disbursed so many names were left by the beneficiaries. Some of them their names were in the list and never got the bursaries and when you ask you are told those are the beneficiaries who got the funds. Mr. Speaker I will prefer if at all the bursaries is given out once it will be better and if at all the person dealing with the recommendations of the bursaries in a report says we are given this much it will be better because when you go to the Executive you will be told the cheques were written and never issued and the beneficiaries where told they were listed and how is it that they were written and again retained in the executive? Mr. Speaker. I support this report but let some of this part of the report be corrected, thank you.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Maurice Aloo.

Hon. Maurice Aloo: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I also stand to support this motion but with the recommendations Mr. Speaker. Allow me to start with the technical institutions, I have had a chance in the last two months to visit these two vocational training that is Ahero youth Polytechnic which is within my neighborhood and we also had a chance to visit Kisumu Rotary as a committee of Gender and Youth and what we saw in this Institutions are pathetic Mr.

Speaker. These Institutions are literally down Mr. Speaker to the extend an institution like Kisumu Rotary, the population there is less than thirty and that is an Institution, and we agreed as a committee that we do a report together with the committee of ECD to substantiate these people from classes because the consequences in the near future is going to be very great Mr. Speaker to the extent that we would be forced to report Artisan that is the situation we should avoid if we can because currently these are the Institutions that are totally neglected.

Mr. Speaker at Boya youth polytechnic I went there on a weekend on a fact finding I found most of the facilities particularly the building are nearly collapsing, most of them are condemned. Mr. Speaker I also found a situation where students have nothing to do in their practical work to the extent that I could run back to my home and to collect my used motor vehicle spare parts just to test the students to know what the shock absorber is, steering and the other parts, it is that serious Mr. Speaker. They even don't know what a fuel filter is that is across the board to the entire County Mr. Speaker. Kisumu polytechnic they don't even have electricity to the extent that members of the staff and the institution were meeting during the day when they have electricity and they would pay from their own pockets. What is interesting is the students are paying school fees and fees remitted to the County Government, but there is nothing done to get them power to run the Institution. I want to belief this is across the entire County it is important that this committee comes up with a way of visiting all the public vocational Training Institutions so that a proper report is brought back to this House atleast to revive these important institutions.

Mr. Speaker, concerning the staffs in this institutions you remember sometimes again last month I brought a statement to this House to really brief us on staffing situations in this Institutions, for those of us who were there, we were told that most of their terms were expiring by the end of this financial year. Mr. Speaker, their terms have expired and the County has not come up with a clear way of how they are going to recruit teachers and offer training in this Institutions. So those are some of the issues that needs to be addressed because most of the teaching staffs are working on voluntary basis. In sub-County we have no staff it is important for this Institutions to be relevant and we should come up with a way of reviving them in terms of staffing and many other issues. Mr. Speaker , most of them are not even fenced to the extent villagers walk in and out, they don't have even night watchmen Mr. Speaker and the day watchmen a situation that we are getting. What we saw at Kisumu Rotary that is where they smoke bhang, where they do other things that we do not want to know. So it is important to move in with a lot of speed Mr. Speaker to save this Institution. I was trying to look at the budget of this year Mr. Speaker nothing tangible has been put in our current budget to help save this situation, so I want to request both the chairs Mr. Speaker we need to sit down as a committee and to find a way on how to revive this Institution because they are the backbone of our economy**.**

Mr. Speaker let me go now to the matters of bursaries. Mr. Speaker this has been a song. I don't want to speculate but Mr. Speaker there is more to this bursaries much than what we have seen. We only need to give this committee some time line to bring a report to this Assembly of how these bursaries were disbursed. We are already in the third disbursement. Mr. Speaker we have

not even received the first report on how the first disbursement was done, properly advice the House like in my ward bursaries were disbursed they have not received those bursaries to date. Mr. Speaker I have been in the Prosperity House more than hundred times and there is no clear answer. I want to request the chair to give a condition on when we can get this report and table in this House per ward, it is even great about 800,000 but I want to belief those who benefitted Mr. Speaker come from various wards Mr. Speaker, I know the powers with you Mr. Speaker let us wake up from the past. Let us have issues addressed to the House once and for all otherwise we will be going circles and circles.

Mr. Speaker concerning ECD classrooms I want to appreciate it except for some challenges that my Hon. Colleagues have said. This is the first time we are trying and something tried normally we must have challenges. If you look at our current system we are doing this ECD in existing public schools. Mr. Speaker I want to request that the committee propose that we do them out of these public schools Mr. Speaker because they are certain cases where they have no nearby public schools. People have to walk along way to go to this ECD schools which is very difficult during the rainy seasons especially my ward and I want this to be reconsidered so that even if the community is willing to offer land anywhere within the ward Mr. Speaker they should be given rooms to do ECD classrooms.

Finally Mr. Speaker concerning the recruitment this was the best, but it has the challenges unless we are willing to remunerate them well, we could lose all of them 10,200 in the village cannot take a family for a whole month. Mr. Speaker even a single house in a village is now going upto five thousand, so if this amount is not re-considered we are going to lose all the teachers. I was trying to consult with the people concerned and the reason they were given for no remuneration is that there is this court case between KNUT, TSC and the County. Mr. Speaker that is not a ticket to remunerate poorly because even those who are employed in contract are entitle to House allowance and good remuneration, so that is not used as a ticket to give poor remuneration.

Finally I have a case in my ward which I have reported to the Chief Officer Education of ECD teacher posted to my ward at Ombaka primary. That Teacher only worked for one month and to date we don't know her where bouts, but interesting Mr. Speaker it seems there is total disconnect between Chief Officer Office and the ward office. So when you come here you are told to go and report back the case to ward administrator, the ward administrator comes here and he is not given an answer, so I want our able chair sitting next to me to answer if possible this week by Friday. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Yes, Leader of Majority

Hon Maline Akinyi (Leader of Majority) : Thank you Mr. Speaker , I want to support this report on ECD Training and Adult Education with the following concerns, I want to start by saying that ECD classroom at Kobura ward as we speak today there is none, and I want to request this committee to move in speed and identify the contractor who was given this work to

do. It was last week when our Governor launched the construction of projects of all Kisumu County to be started so I do not know what is hindering them to go to the assigned location so that they start working. Secondly, I want to say that I have seen the tabulation of ECD teachers and in Nyando we have a deficit of only one teacher which I think is not very true because in my ward alone, I am having five cases and I want this committee to take that into consideration that in Kobura ward I still lack five teachers, we have 24 Primary Schools and I requested for three ECD teachers per school and I was given only 20 and one teacher declined to report because of the distance and I want to say that we have a teacher who has been there for a long time and some of them were denied that chance so the committee can take that into consideration also. Lastly, I want to talk about our institutions and Mr. Speaker you are aware that this house was aware that we were supposed to go to Sweden and when our partners visited us, they started serious partnership in Kobura ward and we are doing well, I went to look for a new institution where we could register those who were training, and thought that Rotary can be a good place given that it is in town and when I visited that place I was shocked and I rushed back to the committee and it is good that they listened to me and also went to that place, I do not want to pre-empt their report but I hope they will bring it to this house and with that I want to request the committees of children and ECD that let them work together so that we save the face of our youth. Without artisans we are going to import tailors, dress makers from other county because in those county I know they are training their youths and children. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker (Hon Elijah Omondi) : Ye Hon Olum

Hon Osumba Olum: Mr. Speaker, I have heard my colleagues sentiments and concerns but I would request them to give a recommendation concerning the ECD recruitment (Interrupted)

Mr. Speaker (Hon Elijah Omondi): Order Hon. Olum, Order!!That one will be replied later, rise on a point of information.

Hon. Osumba Olum : As a committee I would like to request for recommendations on the employment issues to go deep and deep and even to call upon the service board to get deeper.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Point noted, yes Hon Ogosi

Hon Ogosi : Thank you Mr. Speaker , I arise to support this report by the committee of ECD and as a County Government Mr. Speaker, what we are supposed to deal with is already defined in the constitution and under schedule 4 part II, it is clear what the County Government is supposed to do and that is to deal with ECDS, Youth Polytechnics, Home Care Centers and Handcrafts. It is unfortunate that in our first year the County Government failed in a number of areas. We went and even built classrooms in primary schools in many of these wards forgetting the very things that we are mandated to do in our constitution, and forgetting that in all of Kisumu County we only have 12 youth polytechnics and it is unfortunate that we are thinking about these youth polytechnics in our third year of being in this government. It is like we came

into this government by accident, so Mr. Speaker we have problems that to me they are self-created (interrupted).

Hon Petronila Omondi: A point of information Mr. Speaker ?

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi) : Hon Petronila, what point of information do you want to give Hon.Ogosi.

Hon. Petronila Omondi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, what my colleague is talking about is very much okay, but I wonder, is Hon. Ogosi part of this Assembly?, is he part of this Government?, and if he is, which people did not know what to do ? ,is he saying that he also did not know anything, and if he did and felt that it could have been done better way can't he give the direction. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): That will go as appoint of order, yes Hon. Ogosi clear your name.

Hon. Aggrey Ogosi: Mr. Speaker, I made myself very clear and for me when I am on the floor is to talk and I said (interrupted)

Mr. Speaker (Hon Elijah Omondi): You are abusing the honorable house, let us hear what Hon. Aloo has to say yes Hon. Aloo

Hon. Maurice Aloo: I want to conquer with what Hon. Petronila has to say and I think Hon. Ogosi is misleading this house and I want to give an example. Hon. Ogosi has a technical training institute in his ward and has he ever brought a report to this house any single day?. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker (Hon Elijah Omondi): Yes Hon. Ogosi

Hon. Aggrey Ogosi : Thank you Mr. Speaker, I do not know why Members are rejecting this Mr. Speaker (interrupted)

Mr. Speaker (Hon Elijah Omondi): They are rejecting because you have accused them and you are part of them and if you knew they have not read the constitution you could have told them from the beginning not after three years; go a head.

Hon Aggrey Ogosi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, allow me to say as follows and I have more apologies to make because we are talking about youth polytechnics in our third year, and let me tell my colleagues that it is not my work to do assessment and bring a report. It is the work of Executive to walk around and give report of how many youth polytechnics are functional. So Mr. Speaker whoever is asking me to go and do an assessment to bring to this assembly is somebody who is ill informed. So allow me to contribute as follow (interrupted).

Hon Samuel Ong'ou : point of information Mr. Speaker

Mr. Speaker (Hon Elijah Omondi): Granted

Hon. Samuel Ong'ou : I would like to inform Hon. Ogosi that maybe he is concentrating on one road, but he is aware he is also the member of this County Assembly and as a representative of people of East Seme, he is supposed to do exactly what Hon. Aloo was talking about, so he must do assessment as a representative but as somebody who do oversight then that is the work of the executive as he said. So as a representative he must do what Hon. Aloo was talking about. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker (Hon Elijah Omondi): Hon. Ogosi, I will give you time, yes Hon. Osano

Hon. Arwa Osano: Thank you Mr. Speaker, At times I get confused in this house Mr. Speaker and as a honorable member of Kisumu County Assembly, we know our rules very well and we know what Executives are supposed to do Mr. Speaker. When we came here in 2013 Mr. Speaker we did not have the cabinet and it took sometimes to get the cabinet, so at times we go to that which is above us and allow me to quote what Hon. Aloo has just said that there is a teacher in his ward who the ward administrator do not know where they are so I find it very right what Hon. Ogosi is saying Mr. Speaker (Interrupted)

Mr. Speaker (Hon Elijah Omondi): Order! Hon. Ogosi Continue.

Hon Aggrey Ogosi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, you need to be very much careful because some members have formed an habit that whenever Ogosi is on his feet then he must be interrupted.(interrupted)

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Yes Hon. Samuel Ong'ou

Hon. Samuel Ong'ou: Hon Ogosi is out of order and he is showing total disrespect, but what is making members annoyed and you can see this argument of senate members and the senate members are trying to assume that they know more than other members in this house.

Mr. Speaker (Hon Elijah Omondi): Yes Hon Ogosi

Hon Aggrey Ogosi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I have my points clearly planned and if I was not interrupted I would have finished. So Mr. Speaker, what I said is this, in our first year of being in County Government, we did a lot of things that we were not supposed to do and myself included because the budget came to this Assembly and the house passed it. Mr. Speaker the law has it that the majority have their way, so they did and it was passed but when you look at that budget many things that was passed was supposed to be done by the national government.(interrupted)

Hon Samuel Ong'ou: Point of information

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi : Granted

Hon Samuel Ong'ou: Hon Ogosi need to be informed, the constitution does not have something to do with KERA roads and if it is there I think he can read for us. The constitution have only classified two categories of roads ,that is roads which should be done by National Government and roads which should be done by the County Government. The roads which are supposed to be done by KERA falls under County Government and that is why today the Council of Governors are in court because there is conflict because KERA are doing the same roads the County Government should be doing according to the constitution and they are being allocated money irregularly.

Mr. Speaker (Hon Elijah Omondi): Yes Honorable Ogosi this is not senate, order!!honorable Ogosi your time is up. Order!!why are you standing Hon. Aloo

Hon Maurice Aloo: I wanted to give Hon Ogosi a point of information that we all know our rules. We have three critical roles (murmuring)but do you have to wait upto the third year to do our roles so I was excepting Hon Ogosi to address this in the first year but not in the third year and that is part of his ovesightr role job and part of representation (murmuring in the house)

Mr. speaker (Hon Elijah Omondi): Order!! Hon Ogosi, you are not going to talk by force. Order Hon Ogosi ,Out (Laughter)Yes Hon. Benjamin

Hon. Benjamin Juma: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I want to support the report and we are discussing three things presented by one report, one is bursary, the other one is the ECD teachers and the third one is the polytechnic. Mr. speaker, I can remember when we introduced ward bursary ,we had the County Education Bursary Bill and the ECD and Polytechnic I am not very sure we've had any bills that are governing this and I believe that we agree these things without the clear policy that govern the management of polytechnic and ECD. Mr. Speaker, I will request that the committee of ECD should have this and request the Executive to provide a bill and policy that should be governing the Management of ECD and also the Youth Polytechnic before we move on, otherwise we will be doing things that will not make us succeed. Having said that, we want to go through the report on page 10 the matters of bursary, the second last line, the Executive member of Education assured the committee that the cheques have not been cashed by any financial Institution and they have done their findings and that person could be keeping it so, however they are saying it would be difficult to honor because the disbursement time has elapsed.

Mr. Speaker, I think this could not be the case because when we were doing it, there was a budget allocated for the bursaries and if the time has elapsed, was this money taken the second year or where is it?, I think this is the issue the committee of ECD needs to tell us where this money is, if at all it has elapsed, it means something needs to be done to make use of it, so that is one issue that I have. The other thing is that I was proposing the Executive should be directed by the ECD Committee to take note on all the ECD Public schools. Let us know how many pupils

are in these ECD public schools because I believe the number of teachers that should be going to this ECD schools should be determined by the number of pupils that are in these Institutions.

They should also be told to get note of all the teachers that have reported to these schools because we are talking of schools having excess, some schools having less but then in my ward which I have three public schools, I expected twenty ECD teachers to be there, but as we speak, I have nine and we are talking of twenty per ward. Mr. Speaker when I got the list of ECD teachers then I took my time to get one of them and I tried to know where they were coming from and I assumed I was calling from the Executive side to know where they will be placed to get there schools. When I was calling only twenty were coming from my ward, the rest were coming from Kisumu and Nyando, so we need not just to assume that every ward was given twenty ECD teachers. This is just what is in the book but when you go there, there was a lot of problems that was either done by the County Public Service Board or they were done by the ECD Department

Mr. Speaker, again when it comes to posting, there was a lot of problems because of the ECD teachers that were coming from my ward, they were again taken to another ward despite the fact that they were only ten instead of twenty that we were to be given. You find this was a mess done by the ECD department because they ought to have known the basic demand they just needed to post this people around the schools that they were coming from. I think this need to be very clear and soberly done, Executive has failed us, they need to do what is realistic, what can help Kisumu County because we are talking of having employed teachers and those teachers are not there some went back to where they worked initially, some decided not to take positions because they were not going to get anything. So I think it is very important and we discuss this and tell the Executive what is necessary to do so that our schools can get ECD teachers and can get the necessary bursary allocated and then we are supposed to be given 2.8 million. I can remember in the 2013/2014 budget the allocation was 2.8 million but then we were told that the 800,000 thousand was to be distributed by the office of the Governor which I don't know if it was contained in the ward bursary bill, I need to know because if they are doing things which was not in the bill then I don't know.

Mr. Speaker about the bursaries I will propose the 2.8 million unless otherwise be given just lump sum one year so that these administrative cost which are there could be done away with. a I believe the Governor must be having his administrative cost with himself. These are the cost that we can put as bursaries that can help the students and therefore just as has been recommended by the committee this thing needs to be done once a year.

The last thing that I want to talk about is the construction of modern ECD classrooms. Mr. Speaker I can remember in the first budget most of the ECD's were not done because of the Executive Member for Education said that he was going to do modern ECD classrooms per Sub-County. Mr. Speaker, I am coming from Nyakach and Nyakach is very wide and if money can be put to construct a modern ECD classroom and you know the size of the kids we are talking

about they are very many. How are we going to reach those modern classrooms? Do we need to construct a very big thing which is not going to help or do we need to increase the number of ECD so that our pupils can get education in the near future? Mr. Speaker I rest my case there supporting the motion but with reservations that I have made, thank you.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Kelvin Okoth.

Hon. Kelvin Okoth: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I am a member of ECD committee, and I just want to raise my voice on these that we did. Mr. Speaker the issue of bursary disbursement was a proposal that we felt like pushing to consider and also we are giving the time frame when this bursary should be given. Sometimes we are forced to do bursary two times in a year and then you will realize some pupils might end up getting their names repeated because they need bursary every time we are giving bursary. In our proposal I think it is clear that we wanted it to be done once a year and the people that we felt should be given was subject of discussion. I don't know the conclusion of the Assembly because I was proposing that it should be given out in third term and in early January after Christmas when parents are looking, and then they realize that these might be useful to them. The issue that we thought was a problem is form one because form one parents might need money and may be at that time it might not be available. So those are the things that we were trying to discuss.

Mr. Speaker, I want to say that last time we struggled so that every ward could get twenty teachers, it was a good move but at the end of the day the ECD Teachers recruitment that was done was not done in a right way. We realized as a Sub-County we have so many schools like Muhoroni, Nyando that participated in these. I wanted it like Kisumu East where we have few teachers, but we insisted we wanted twenty teachers per ward. If a teacher cannot move to a school like the way Hon. James Omollo was saying it is that they have so many volunteers because the kid is in town and parents can afford it. We should come up with a better way of doing justice to consider the area and a number of schools if we do it in any other recruitment, we would be fair with each and every person representing his or her own people.

Mr. Speaker, about the issue of modern ECD is that our bone of contention was that we wanted to avoid this issue that when someone is given a contract and when you go to that ECD school you will only find that they are using bricks. We wanted if a County has a standard way of using block, let it be block let that project be uniform. Mr. Speaker you will realize as a County Government we are using a lot of money in the name of oversight. Not that we can blame the Executive but we blame how we do our oversight. Let it be done in uniform so that we would know that the money that we are using is doing that job. I want to rest my case and I want to beg members to understand the nature of employment of ECD teachers.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Joshua Auko.

Hon. Joshua Auko: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I think we have exhausted the motion and I want to call upon the mover to reply.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Members, the mover has been called to reply but I have noted the way you have debated this report, almost all members have been saying the report is good but there are some areas which could have been included in the report. I wanted to adopt the report the way it is. I don't know what members could have said because members have brought in a lot of areas where which the report could adequately touch. This requires that the committee to continue with the work. May I hear what you are saying?

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Priscah Misachi.

Hon. Priscah Misachi: Mr. Speaker, In my own opinion and I belief I am entitled to it, I would say and I would request humbly that the report is okay but if the chairman and the committee could work closely and include various parts, then we can now adopt what is inclusive that demands our constraints that we do in a report, that is my case.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Petronila

Hon. Petronila Omondi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, it is a wonderful thing at least to work with. I would also rise to conquer with Hon. Priscah that this report is a wonderful report and the deliberation has been very active and if this points can be properly included in the report then we shall have something to present in the report, thank you.

Hon. Kelvin Oraro: Mr. Speaker, as we receive comments from the members, the report should come up again with report. The reason why I am saying this is that the law requires that once you have brought the report it is adopted or rejected. So in this case what we are trying to say is that we should go back and discuss it.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Already the members have brought in their concerns and for example they did not agree with the figures in the report. So they cannot account for those figures. And again for example when you read that report, it talks of change of polytechnic, so that indicates there was no thorough research, but members have come up, they want to contribute to the report but actually they feel there is an important part left out.

Hon. Isaya Onyango: Thank you Mr. Speaker, before I say what I want to say, I would ask the members that when we are debating a report, once a report has been tabled in this House it is our property and therefore if there is any corrections made that any member feel that it should be done, don't take it as if it is yours it is only that we want to make some amendments that would help and for future.

For example there is an issue we have raised here severally how some money were spent two years ago, so we want to talk about this thing let us discuss it once when we have the report. We want the information about what has been done because a Member has said it here that sometimes there is a rumors that some cheques were done and we need this confirmation so that we know exactly what happened, this one was not captured here. There is also something that

has been raised by members employment of ECD teachers. They are saying some people got four and railways got nothing. So we need clear information on this. The report is good it shows us some other information but we need something which is scrutinized because we want to do with the report of ECD once and for all. On the issues of ECD classrooms, look at Kisumu Rotary we need an elaborate information because this is an Institution which was there until today. So we need information on that so that when we are calling Executive we have something to say, otherwise I want to say that we have not objected the report, we want the committee to do exactly what we have said. When we are passing the report it is informing, thank you.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): like the concern of Hon. Aloo, it seems that the Government has not taken up serious issues like for Rotary, even our Vocational Training Centres. So there is a serious gap like what Hon. Aloo have said. We want you to go back and bring the data so that when you come, you come with authority order.

Hon. Kelvin Okoth: Whatever you are saying is right, and I want to say that next time when we are bringing a report, we cut it and we discuss like the issue of Vocational Training it has a report on its own. My worry is not the issue of bringing the report back, but my worry is this the tradition of the House is that when you bring a report and we adopt it here and it becomes the property of the House, we can even withdraw it thank you.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Priscah Misachi

Hon. Priscah Misachi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I want to say in a polite note that when adopting the report the areas which I see that we are having queries, can the committee sit down and give us addendum of the same so that we can adopt that addendum in the report we lay. I am not judging but we are looking at ways to save the report and to also come up with what will satisfy the House. if the members think they can withdraw it, well and good, if they think we are doing justice to them, well if they will promise the House that they will bring a tabulation of what we have said and collect all the data that we have said using the Hansard and using the notes the Clerks have taken, then we will say that we can see. For us we want to see where we are going. Draw all the tabulations of our request…

Hon. Petronila Omondi: Point of information Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Granted.

Hon. Petronila Omondi: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker, I think whatever decisions we made in this House are decisions for the good of all and it is based on logic and that is where it is based on something important that is beneficial to all of us, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Moses Ochele.

Hon. Moses Ochele: Thank you Mr. Speaker, in the spirit of collecting responsibility of the burden of this matter is a burden of this House, it is a burden of this County and it is not a

personal burden neither the chair of this committee or the burden of this committee, it is our burden and whatever Members have asked, the same members are of this committee they need clarity for certain areas. I am requesting Hon. Achayo that the report is good and the members have contributed to it very well, but for the committee to go for another report to produce very good report from all the Departments touching of ECD have been raised by Members and specifically the policy frame work, and Specifically it would be a report that the chair and the committee would be happy to be associated with.

I am requesting the Committee that kindly we withdraw this report, go back to the Hansard sit down, listen to the Hansard and face everything because this is a serious committee and it is backbone of education and Mr. Speaker with the Hansard report, they would pick the areas of concern, I believe the Chair was taking notes and if those notes cannot be formed it can be found in the Hansard so that when we are doing that report, it will be a report when we present we will be happy that something has come out of it clean. I request the committee to withdraw, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Maurice Aloo.

Hon. Maurice Aloo: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I also want to say that the report itself is good, but because of time Mr. Speaker it is important that this committee withdraws this report because so far they have taken our recommendations and any other input Mr. Speaker that they will borrow from elsewhere, a report that can address some of this areas of concern. Mr. Speaker based on that I would request just like my colleague have said that we go back to the Hansard report, consult widely and do this report Mr. Speaker individually so that we can have kind of pamphlet explaining every detail of what members have discussed and how they want to address those issues . Mr. Speaker that one should not take long time, the only area where can go for a long time is this area of bursaries.

Mr. Speaker, why I am saying so is that the report we have been getting about the bursaries issues I want to believe they are deliberate, they are hiding some of these information from us Mr. Speaker. so we need a very elaborate report per ward in form of a booklet Mr. Speaker so that we address the issue of bursaries once and for all. Like I mentioned time is running out we need to do the report once and for all, otherwise if we do it the normal way we have been doing then I am afraid we will just leave this report to go back to the committee and bring them on a day they want, that one will not work, I want to request if possible you give us timeline on when to bring this report back to the House Mr. Speaker and if possible because most of the things are in the Hansard, possible we will give them one week to bring this report back to the House, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. members, I am happy that we are in consensus, what again I wanted to bring up is that there are some responses that we have made in the report which

I wanted the committee of Implementation to implement, we have tried although ECD is devolved but the Management is under the National Government. ECD should verify…

Chief Whip (Hon. Isaya Onyango): Mr. Speaker I think if the report is withdrawn, we cannot involve another committee because if we involve another committee it would mean that it has now been taken to another committee for discussion. Let the committee go and work for it and after we have adopted the report we can now tell another committee to table. At the moment let the committee of ECD work on it to bring a report and verifications.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): I stand guided with you Hon. Chief Whip, Chair of ECD

Hon. Paul Achayo: Thank you Mr. Speaker, allow me to thank members for their well contributions towards this report and I want to request the House to give us time to draw this report so that in the next report we will address all the issues that have been discussed, allow me to welcome Hon. Lydia Ndege to second the withdrawal of the report.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Lydia Ndege.

Hon. Lidya Ndege: Thank you Mr. Speaker I rise to second my chair Hon. Paul Achayo in regards of withdrawing the report so that we are able to make clarifications and bring a better report to the House, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Elijah Omondi): Hon. Members, ECD Committee has got one month to submit the report, exactly one month. Clerk and the House Business committee, it has to be exactly one month like the way Hon. Aloo has requested.

Adjournment

Hon. Members we have exhausted the business for today and I want to declare that the House stands adjourned until tomorrow 2:30 P.M

(All Arise)

(Speaker's Procession)

(House Adjourned at 12:00 Noon.)