

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF SAMBURU



THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 26th July, 2023

The Assembly met at the County Assembly chambers at 2:30 p.m.

The Speaker, (Mr. Stephen Lenamarle), in the Chair

PRAYER

STATEMENTS

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamparasio Caunda): Hon. Members, it is notified that pursuant to Standing Order number 45 (1) (c) the Speaker approves the following tentative response for statements on Tuesday 26th July, 2023:

- 1) Statement No. 010/2023 requested by Member for El'barta Ward Hon. Leitoro Jeremiah to the Chairperson of Education and Vocational Training Committee in regards to the status of disbursement of Ward Fund Bursary for the Financial Year 2022/2023
- 2) Statement No.011/2023 requested by Specially Elected Member Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia to the Chairperson of Education and Vocational Training Committee regarding distribution of food to Early Childhood Education Centers during Term two of 2023 across the County

The Minority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Mr. Speaker Sir, I rise as the Minority Leader to respond. The Chairperson is not around, but I informed the House yesterday that I will respond if allowed.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamparasio Caunda): Continue

The Manority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I request for more time, probably up to tomorrow at 2:30 PM for the ECD feeding program so that we enable the Committee and the Hon Members of the County Assembly to peruse through the report submitted to the House so that tomorrow when we deliberate everyone will be present and get a good response

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamparasio Caunda): So are you saying that you only respond to the first statement?

The Minority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Yes

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamparasio Caunda): Or both of them are referred to tomorrow?

The Minority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): I want to respond to the first statement today

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamparasio Caunda): So the second is the one you want to refer

The Minority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Yes

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamparasio Caunda): Get seated, Hon. Silapia

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia): Thank you Hon. Speaker, I stand to accept the request from the Chairperson that they have the response but they want all the Members of the 15 Wards to go through and see whether the information given by the Department is true and then they bring the response tomorrow. Hon. Speaker I accept that.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamparasio Caunda): Hon. Members, I direct that the statement No. 01/2023 requested by Special Elect; Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia to the Chairperson Education and Vocational Training regarding the distribution of food to Early Childhood Development Centers during Term two 2023 across the County be responded on Thursday 27th July, 2023 at 2:30 PM.

The Minority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to respond to the matter raised by Hon. Leitoro Jeremiah; Member of County Assembly for Elbarta Ward through the Chairperson Sectorial Committee Education and Vocational Training regarding the status of Ward Development Fund bursary for the Financial Year 2022/2023, the Members seeks the following:

- 1) What is the allocated budget for the Ward Fund bursary for each Ward for Financial Year 2022/2023?

Mr. Speaker Sir, the following table shows the bursary allocations for all Wards:

1. Ang'ata Nanyokie Ward – 3 Million
2. Baawa Ward – 2 Million
3. El'barta Ward – Million
4. Lodokejek Ward – 2 Million
5. Loosuk Ward – 2.8 Million
6. Maralal Ward – 4 Million

7. Nachola Ward – 4 Million
8. Ndoto Ward – 2,500,000
9. Nyiro Ward – 3 Million
10. Poro Ward – 2 Million
11. Suguta Marmar Ward – 3 Million
12. Wamba East Ward – 1, 500,000
13. Wamba North Ward – 3 Million
14. Wamba West Ward – 3, 500,000
15. Waso Ward – 2 Million

Total amount- 41,300,000

Mr. Speaker, the second question that was asked by the Member is; “how much has each Ward received from the allocated budget so far and what is the remaining balance for each ward?”

1. Ang’ata Nanyokie Ward; amount disbursed 1, 044,000, balance 956,000
2. Baawa Ward; amount disbursed 1, 425, 000, balance 1, 575, 000
3. El’barta Ward; amount disbursed 1, 389, 000, balance 1, 611, 000
4. Lodokejek Ward; amount disbursed 1,568,000, balance 414,000
5. Loosuk Ward; amount disbursed 1,446,000, balance 1,354,000
6. Maralal Ward; amount disbursed 1,893,500, balance 2,106,500
7. Nachola Ward; amount disbursed 1,170,000, balance 2,830,000
8. Ndoto Ward; amount disbursed 1,095,000, balance 1,405,000
9. Nyiro Ward; nothing disbursed, balance 3 Million
10. Poro Ward; amount disbursed 1,158,000, balance 842,000
11. Suguta Marmar Ward; amount disbursed 1,420,000, balance 1,580,000
12. Wamba East Ward; amount disbursed 1, 150,000, balance 350,000
13. Wamba North Ward; amount disbursed 1,438,000, balance 1,562,000
14. Wamba West Ward; amount disbursed 1,848,250, balance 651,750
15. Waso Ward; nothing disbursed, balance 2 Million

Total disbursed amount 18, 062,750 and the balance is 23,237,250

The third question asked by the Hon. Member is; “when will the Department disburse the remaining balance to the respective Wards?” And he also asked “clarify the time line for distributing the balance for respective Wards”

The response is: due to the normal budget process, that is; formulation, approval, implementation, audit, evaluation and uploading of budget, the Department expects to distribute the balance for respective Wards thereafter, thank you for your continuous cooperation. That is the end of the statement

MCA El'barta Ward, (Hon. Leitoro Jeremiah): Than you Hon. Speaker, I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Minority Leader on behalf of the Committee on Education and Vocational Training for the elaborate response. Hon. Speaker, I however need some clarification on bursary disbursement for the Financial Year 2022/2023 because I do not understand the reason as to why every Ward has been given some amount and there remains a certain amount in balances.

To my understanding, I know once Budgetary allocation has been done and when the approval is usually done it is approved for the whole amount, we approve for all of them. You do not approve and then thereafter you get half of what has been budgeted for.

Pertaining to the last Statement on the last question which was when will the Department distribute the remaining balance to the respective Wards and the Department to clarify on the timeline for distributing the remaining balance for respective Wards, I think it is now on record that the Department has said due to the normal budgetary process that is formulation, approval, implementation, audit, evaluation and uploading of Budget, the Department expects to distribute the balance for respective Wards thereafter.

My concern Mr. Speaker is which Budgetary process are we talking again because I believe the Bursary in question is for the Financial Year 2022/2023, and if the normal budget process is incomplete then where did they get this other half amount that has already been disbursed if at all the normal budget process has been...because to my knowledge the 2022/2023 Budget is already over and the process is already complete but again what they are trying to say is they are trying to push this balance from Financial Year 2022/2023 to the Financial Year 2023/2024. I think that

is what they are trying to say but my question is where has the Ksh. 23,237,250 that we have budgeted and approved for the year 2022/2023 where has it gone.

We need some clarity on this because you cannot push this balance from one Financial Year to another. I do not know the applicability and what we are going to do on this issue. Maybe this money which was meant for Bursary the 23 million was used for maybe other purposes now with the knowledge that they want to push the balances to the next Financial Year of which I even doubt if you will ever get the 23 million which is the balances that is there.

I am not satisfied with the question unless the Department commits that through whatever that they have written or responded to that we will get these balances otherwise I think that we will be taken around circles and we will never get this money. I give an example in Elbarta that whatever I received that is the total Budgetary amount was three million and I received 1.389. Because of the number of applicants there were a number of applicants who were many, the high school including those in colleges, those in tertiary institutions I ended up issuing the 1.38 to high school because they seemed in need of this money then I left the rest for those in tertiary institutions, colleges and Universities with the hope that I will get these monies because they used to tell us that you will get them in two weeks which turn into months and now we are almost in another Financial Year.

The question is what am I going to tell these students who are in tertiary colleges and Universities because I have been telling them that we wait for the balances so that we are going to disburse. This is now proving to be a story. Someone is taking us round and round.

I do not know what we are going to do on this issue because it is quite clear that the Ksh23,237,250 because this balance is supposed to be in the bursary account but we also need to request again to know what is the balance currently in the Bursary account because this Ksh23,237,250 is supposed to be in the account if this is the kind of response that they give us it seems that the account is almost empty or it does not reflect the true balance here.

It seems that the money has been used in other ways and maybe the Department is trying as much as possible to find ways to get these monies and the only way that they can be able to get this money is pushing this plan to this Financial Year which is 2023/2024 of which I do not think

that it is in order with the Controller of Budget because whatever you have budgeted you have to utilize them and you are not supposed to relocate funds that is meant for one project to another.

I think that we are doing something that is not legally right, we need to investigate further and know exactly what happened to this money because 23 million is not a small amount of money, we need to be serious, investigate and know exactly what happened to these balances, thank you Mr. Speaker.

MCA Wamba West Ward, (Hon. Lemartile Francis): Thank you Mr. Speaker. The Department did a good job in giving a response to question one and two, they have given us Ward Fund for Bursary on 2022/2023 to be 41 million and the second question is clear that it is too shocking because this is an amount which is budgeted and approved, it is termed as an item and it is shocking because at the end of the Financial Year it is less than 50% disbursed and the Department are not clear because this is not a small amount to take it lightly because 23 million taken to unbudgeted activity.

It is extremely the highest financial mismanagement Mr. Speaker. They must have something fishy or they hide something because this was exactly amount allocated by Hon. Members and they have pledged to students in their Wards to pay that amount to assist the students in their Wards. We have made pledges and at the end of the Financial Year we are told that the allocated amount is not there without even prior communication to us that the money has been reallocated to another project. As the Hon. Member who requested the Statement this Bursary thing should be investigated further because we know that there are so many irregularities there.

As the Member who asked the Statement I think we forgot to ask for bank statement for that account because it is independent and we need to interrogate it further since the time for the interception of the Committee on August last year and this year because there must be something fishy going around within that financial entity.

Secondly, the accounting officer gave a response that I do not know if it irresponsible because as he has said that the normal budget process we know that the budget process has timelines, he should also give us his timeline because if he wanted a month or two months before that he could have put it there so that we question him on that time; Mr. Speaker that question was not well

elaborated on timeframe. The Budget process is timely we know there are preparations of budgeting process, formulation, approval which was done but the only thing pending is uploading and it is less than a weeks' time. He should also give us the timeline on when is he expecting to give the Hon. Members their balances if it would be there or less we can say that it seems he does not know whether he will give the Hon. Members their balances or not, thank you Mr. Speaker.

MCA Ndoto Ward, (Hon. Lealmusia Ali): Thank you Hon. Speaker for giving me this opportunity to say something on this particular response as far as our bursary allocation is concerned. First and foremost, I would really like to thank the honorable member for Elbarta for asking this question. However, I am really not satisfied with the response from the department. This bursary is meant for students who are not capable of paying school fees for that matter in every ward. This is the only present as members of this honorable house that we can give to our ward residents.

Mr. Speaker, we are aware that as far as the finance management act is concerned, the normal government regulation is that we run through a budgetary process where we go for one financial year. We are dealing with this financial year 2022-2023 and what I expected the department to really tell us is that we already have a pending bill because under normal circumstances we clear bills first before we do other things in the normal financial management. This one has not been even reflected as a pending bill; which means this money is not even there in the first place because this response is talking about the normal budgetary process. This money was already allocated in 2022-2023 financial year.

It cannot be transferred unless it is reflected as a pending bill and they are ready to pay. That is what we have been telling our people that because it was not possible for them to process all the payments we were going to pay that as a pending bill. Unfortunately, we are told of formulation and implementation of audit are holding the budget and so many other things. We do not want to hear these stories. Let me be very sincere, we are dealing with kids who are really needy and we cannot accept this kind of answers.

What we should be told is we have a pending bill of the balance that is Kshs. 23,237,250 which we will be able to pay as a first payment not as something that is going to be formulated; formulated from where? And we are aware that this committee has been having a problem. There is a member from my ward who was appointed to this committee but he resigned because of a problem in that particular section.

Therefore, we should be serious on this because if we not going to...how come in other wards there was no reimbursement? I mean there was no disbursement? Why? I am very sure even the honorable members had given them the lists and lists are lying there. So, what are we saying here? We do not want in this house a situation where a department decides on what to do with our ward fund. We already gave them what they need.

We attached the lists, we liaise with the village admins they give us the list or we have other ways of doing it and we give them the lists. There is no way you can come and tell us here that we are formulating a budget. They have to be very clear whether it is going to be a pending bill because what we know is that pending bill is going to be paid or to be cleared in the first place even before anything else is done in the department.

The department should be clear and tell us whether this is going to be treated as a pending bill or that money is not there so that we can be able to investigate. Mr. Speaker Sir, I would suggest that we engage this committee on education to go back and give us the reality of these balances because we are really in need and we have pending lists lying there to be cleared. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): I also stand and thank the honorable member for El'barta Ward for seeing that it is important to bring this statement and ask for the bursary remaining for the year 2022-2023 on ward fund sites. Honorable Speaker, looking at the response of the last question, we talking the budget of 2022-2023. What are they telling us? The waiting for the uploading of the current budget 2023-2024. I am also a member of the budget committee and I did not see anywhere the pending bill for bursary allocation of the year 2022-2023.

Honorable Speaker, we want this house to be respected. What you bring to this house let it be out of respect. Because you cannot tell us that we are waiting for the budget process what we have not budgeted for. Some months back we saw some loopholes in the bursary issues raised even in social media. I think that that is where the remaining balance went. There is need to investigate that department of bursary.

This is a very serious issue. We want the committee to go back and bring a very comprehensive answer to this house. I really understand the issues that our students are going through in our schools. They are chased away from school to come look for fees and we have put a budget a budget to make sure that our students remain in school. The department is not even able to tell this house where the Kshs.23M is. This one is a very serious matter.

I understand that you also represent Loosuk Ward and you have a remaining balance that has not been distributed to the students. I know your ward is going through a lot of challenges of insecurity and even our students are affected by that issue. Honorable Speaker this is a serious matter and I want to tell honorable members of that committee to go back and find out whether there is that money or not. Simple. So that we can know where this money went and if the department used that money in another project let them explain to us. I stand and direct the honorable members to go back to the department put on toes those who are responsible for this.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Nakinyi Jane): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I also thank the honorable member for El'barta Ward for bringing this point onboard so that we discuss and see the issue where it is. It is really wanting and we cannot comprehend what is really the comment of the officer who answered the statement about the bursary. For sure, this is not the right thing, especially when you see the three sentences that culminates or sum up the whole results of this bursary that is not clear which is embarrassing also to our members.

So, what I urge the Honorable House, this is what we are supposed to do to come up with such things because if we stay in darkness, we will not know what is going on, for sure this is not right even in that statement its really leaving us in a hanging situation because if somebody says that the balance for the respective wards thereafter what does it mean? Which means he is

undermining the House, he is not clear with the point of what we really want, he's giving us figures which are not pleasing at all.

So, Honorable Speaker, I urge Honorable Members for Education Committee also to be serious because when we discuss matters of education here, we don't see turn up, I don't whether you have noticed, we have been bringing many things for education and we are struggling to answer up for ourselves, we don't know what is happening with the Committee, so for this let us take caution on that because there must be loopholes somewhere. Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Lenamparasio Caunda): Honorable Members, having listened to most of you or all of you who have spoken, it's my time now to direct. The first and the second questions were well answered that's according to me because they were just self-explanatory, they were just figures, but the third question, is not satisfying so, pursuant to Standing Order number 145 (1) C, I refer this statement, the third question only back to the Committee, the chairperson Education and Vocational Training Committee and bring the response to this House on August 1st at 2.30 pm. Kindly, we will not refer this statement back to you anymore, that will be last time that we are referring the statement to Education. So, Honorable Minority Leader, standing to represent the chairperson of Education be guided. Thank you.

MOTION

Specially Elected Member. (Hon. Stacy Nareyo): Thank you Honorable Speaker, Pursuant to Standing Order 47, I beg to move the following Motion.

AWARE THAT Samburu County has reported many cases of early pregnancies in primary and secondary schools.

AWARE THAT the cases have resulted in school dropouts for girls in these learning institutions, **NOTING THAT** these young girls have risked their lives by doing abortion and other indecent practices.

DISTURBED THAT this trend has really affected our standard of education in our County.

AWARE THAT there is need to come out openly to criticize this behavior and the County to take full responsibility of pregnancy and care.

FURTHER noting that enhanced sex education programs in schools focused on age appropriate and evidence-based information about productive health, contraceptives and responsible decision making can play a crucial role in preventing these teenage pregnancies Mr. Speaker.

APPRECIATING THAT improving access to quality health care services particularly reproductive health services in both urban and rural areas is vital to address the issue of teenage pregnancies.

Honorable Speaker, **ACKNOWLEDGING THAT** addressing barriers to education such as early marriages, cultural practices and economic challenges is essential to keep girls in school and empower them with knowledge and skills for their future.

CONCERNED THAT vulnerable girls who are victims of teenage pregnancies, early marriages and abuse need a safe haven and comprehensive support to rebuild their lives.

SERIOUSLY CONCERNED THAT the establishment of a girls' rescue center is urgent and imperative to provide a supportive environment for these vulnerable girls Honorable Speaker.

I therefore urge this Assembly to **RESOLVE THAT** the County Executive Committee Members in charge of Early Childhood and Vocational Training Culture and Sports Youths and Social Services to take measures and curb these early pregnancies within the primary and secondary schools and to ensure doctors test students every year so as to identify early pregnancies in our children in our institution and stop further death through abortion and drop outs.

I also **URGE THAT** the Samburu County Government launches comprehensive public awareness campaigns to highlight the risks and consequences of early pregnancies targeting parents, guardians and community leaders. Honorable Speaker, that enhanced sex education programs in schools are introduced focusing on age appropriate and evidence-based information about reproductive health, contraceptives and responsible decision making. That the Samburu County Government improves access to quality health care services particularly reproductive

health services by establishing youth friendly health centers both urban and rural areas that efforts are intensified to keep girls in schools by addressing barriers such as early marriages, cultural practices and economic challenges including the establishment of scholarship programs, vocational training and mentorship initiatives.

Honorable Speaker, that girls' rescue center is established in Samburu County to provide a comprehensive support service including counselling, health care, legal aid and educational opportunities for vulnerable girls. Thank you, Honorable Speaker.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Lenamparasio Caunda): You should have your motion seconded.

Specially Elected Member. (Hon.Lekirimpoto Nareyo): I call upon Honorable Rebecca to second the motion.

(Honorable Rebecca bows to second the motion)

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Lenamparasio Caunda): Honorable Members now I propose the question that Samburu County has reported many cases of early pregnancies in primary and secondary schools.

AWARE THAT, the cases have resulted in school dropouts for girls in these learning institutions.

NOTING THAT, these young girls have risked their lives by doing abortion and other indecent practices.

DISTURBED THAT, this trend has really affected our standard of education in our County.

AWARE THAT, there is need to come out openly to criticize this behavior and the County to take full responsibility of pregnancy and care.

FURTHER noting that enhanced sex education programs in schools focused on age appropriate and evidence-based information about productive health, contraceptives and responsible decision making can play a crucial role in preventing these teenage pregnancies Mr. Speaker.

APPRECIATING THAT improving access to quality health care services particularly reproductive health services in both urban and rural areas is vital to address.

CONCERNED THAT, vulnerable girls who are victims of teenage pregnancies, early marriages and abuse need a safe haven and comprehensive support to rebuild their lives.

SERIOUSLY CONCERNED THAT, the establishment of a Girl's Rescue Centre is urgent and imperative to provide a supportive environment for these vulnerable girls.

THEREFORE, this House resolves:

1. **THAT**, the County Executive Committee Members in charge of Early Childhood and Vocational Training and Culture, Sports, Youth and Social Services to take measures and curb these early pregnancies within the Primary and Secondary Schools, and to ensure doctors test the students every year so as to identify early pregnancies in our children in our institutions and stop further death through abortion and drop outs.
2. **THAT**, the Samburu County Government launches comprehensive public awareness campaigns to highlight the risks and consequence of early pregnancies, targeting parents, guardians, and community leaders.
3. **THAT**, enhanced sex education programs in schools are introduced, focusing on age-appropriate and evidence-based information about reproductive health, contraceptives, and responsible decision making.
4. **THAT**, the Samburu County Government improves access to quality healthcare services, particularly reproductive health services, by establishing youth-friendly health centers in both urban and rural areas.
5. **THAT**, efforts are intensified to keep girls in school by addressing barriers such as early marriages, cultural practices and economic challenges, including the establishment of scholarship programs, vocational training, and mentorship initiatives.
6. **THAT**, a Girl's Rescue Centre is established in Samburu County to provide comprehensive support services, including counseling, healthcare, legal aid, and educational opportunities, for vulnerable girls.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Stacy Nareyo): Thank you Mr. Speaker as you are all aware Samburu County has been leading with teenage pregnancy Country wide and nationally the adolescence Pregnancy is leading at 15% while Samburu County has been reported to be leading with 50% this is a very serious issue that I feel it will be addressed with immediate effect the County government should come in to create awareness and to sensitize on the issue since sensitization it will affect our level of education and increasing the poverty level, I would also

like to urge the County government especially the department of education and gender to get awareness in local public schools by creating more Rescue Centers we would also give hope to our teenage mums and we will give them hope to go back to schools to fulfill their dreams.

Last but not least I would really urge this house to support the motion and empower our women caucuses so that they can reach out to our young girls and our young sisters so that we can decrease the number of teenage pregnancies in our County thank you Mr. Speaker and I hope you are going to support the Motion.

Hon. Osman Dube, (Specially Elected): Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika, ninaunga mkono sababu mbili tatu mpaka tano hata Mheshimiwa Spika ni kweli mambo ya wasichana ya kuacha shule haswa kama watu wangu wa disability wako wasichana wako na challenge mingi sana saa ingine wakimaliza primary kwenda sekondari hakuna watu wanashughulika nayo kwa sababu wanaelezwa wewe ni disabled hauna maana wacha uende uolewe, sababu hii ni mzuri County government itege mahali ya kusaidia wale watu kama hii ile wasichana hana wazazi wengi watu maskini wengi wanawacha shule ninaomba kamati ya Education ama idhara ya education na Social Service ikae chini watu kama hii isaidike private kama Loosuk kama Suguta wage sisi tunapata kama ya County government ni mzuri zaidi hii watu wasaidike naunga mkono Mheshimiwa Speaker.

MCA Suguta Marmar Ward, (Hon. Leleruk James): Thank you Mr. Speaker I rise also to support Motion and I must thank Hon. Stacy for bringing this issue because it has been a concern to our County we have been in the all media saying that Samburu is the one that is leading in early pregnancy and as leaders and also of this County we looked like we are ashamed because we are not aware of what has happened that maybe the County government maybe also needs to do some investigations because it's not good always Samburu in everything that's bad concerning our ladies or our young girls its being report in the media and some things being reported sometimes we wonder why those issues maybe now we urge our Women Caucus to take lead on this because we support you on this 100%.

We also not blame may be these NGO's that are trying to I don't know if they are looking for funding and making our County look like as leaders who represent the people of Samburu are

doing nothing about Early Pregnancy and also encourage that I know most of those young ladies are in primary schools so we must also look how the County government will look at issues of Early Pregnancy because the issue of Education maybe those girls when they reach at age of adolescence stage the County government does not have that devolved function so we must look ways on how we can be involved as a County government so that we can help our people and our children because we like them to go to schools and also we would like to discourage the issue of Early Pregnancy and Early Marriages. Thank You.

I would like also to thank Hon. Stacy for bringing this Motion about early pregnancies. Samburu County is leading in the country for early pregnancies and Samburu County the community in Samburu County they are very poor and this early pregnancy will increase the poverty of this County and also it will increase poverty in the community also we would like to request our County Government to support and take this responsibility to create awareness in schools in the villages of this early pregnancy school dropout female genital mutilation and also early marriages.

I request your support as a member of women caucus from this House we need your support and the support of our elected Hon. Members to support the women caucus of this County Assembly of Samburu to have ward fund also we would like to request the affected wards our Government to build the rescue centers in the affected wards for our girls to be rescued thank you Mr. Speaker.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamparasio Caunda): Thank you Hon. Rebecca I think before we proceed I just wanted to advice the mover of this Motion Hon. Stacy that kindly just go through your resolutions just keenly look at the first one that reads that the County Executive Committee Member in charge of Early Childhood and Vocational Training and Culture Sports and Social Services to take measures and curb the early pregnancies within the primary and secondary schools.

Ensure that doctors test students every year so as to identify early pregnancies in our children in institutions and stop further death through abortion and dropout it should be well noted that County Government only deal with early childhood centers and vocational trainings and you

know we have national laws so you should not do some contradicting laws we have national laws that govern primary and secondary schools that falls under the national government not under the County Government and then again on the third one is just the same cause the third one that enhance sex education programs in school you are not so specific which schools kindly know that its only in ECD centers and vocational trainings that the County Government has the mandate of doing anything.

For the primary and secondary schools we rely on the national laws so I just wanted to give you maybe some time go and amend this very nice motion so as we resolve and pass this motion its amended and it suits our County Government cause now if we pass the way it is even the antonym will bring a lot of challenges cause we are contradicting we are doing a lot of contradictions with the national government and we have to work hand in hand the other four resolutions are very nice the sixth one is so nice the fifth one we can even combine the second and the fifth to make one resolution and the fourth one so that the two resolutions that need some discussion here is the first and the third and kindly the second and the fifth one you can just marge

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Nareyo Stacy): Thank you Mr. Speaker I will research on it and I will give you my feedback.

MCA Suguta Ward, (Hon. Leleruk James): Mr. Speaker I request you differ by putting the question to the motion pursuant to the standing order 54 section 3 so that we amend it.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamparasio): Hon. Stacy when will you bring this motion back.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Nareyo Stacy): I will bring it in a weeks' time Mr. Speaker.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamparasio): You know maybe as from next week we may be going for recess so kindly work and see that maybe the first week of august you bring otherwise we may go for a recess and then it will take long you know we just want to encourage you for this good work you are doing we want you to bring it very quickly so that maybe we can pass it by first week of august so I do not know how comfortable you will be.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Nareyo Stacy): Mr. Speaker I think I will be comfortable on second of august at 8:00 am

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamparasio Caunda): Hon Members as requested by Hon. Leleruk James I do differ putting the question to the motion until 2nd of august 2023 pursuant to standing order no. 54/3 thank you.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Members, the time being 30 minutes past 4:00 o'clock and there being no other business, the House now adjourns until Thursday 27th July 2023 at 2:30 pm.