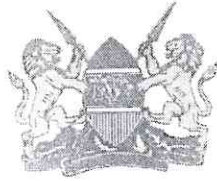


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COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF BOMET

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ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT- EDUCATION, VOCATIONAL
TRAINING INSTITUTES, YOUTH AND SPORTS FOR THE
FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE, 2014

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Committee on Education, Vocational Training Institutes, youth and Sports and pursuant to Standing Order 190 (5) (g), is pleased to report on the findings of the committee on the Annual Report on Education, Vocational Training Institutes, youth Sports for the Financial Year, 2013/2014

The committee on Education, Vocational Training Institutes, youth and Sports is one of the Sectoral committees established under the Standing Orders 190(1) and the Second Schedule to the Standing Orders.

1.1 Committee Membership

The Committee on Education, Vocational Training Institutes, youth and Sports as currently constituted comprises of the following Honourable Members:-

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1. Hon. Cecilia Towett- Chairperson
2. Hon. Wilson Keter –Vice chairperson
3. Hon. Leonard Kirui
4. Hon. Julius Korir
5. Hon. Hellen Chepkirui
6. Hon. Joyce Korir
7. Hon. Aurelia Chepkirui
8. Hon. Benard Ngeno
9. Hon. Patrick Chepkwony

1.2 MANDATE OF THE COMMITTEE

The Second Schedule to the Standing Orders provides that the Committee shall deal with all matters related to all matters related to pre-primary education, village polytechnics, home craft centres and childcare facilities,

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In line with the provision of Standing Order 190 (5), the Committee on Education, Vocational Training Institutes, youth and Sports is mandated to;

- a) Investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned departments;
- b) Study the programme and policy objectives of departments and the effectiveness of the implementation;
- c) Study and review all county legislation referred to it;
- d) Study, assess and analyze the relative success of the departments measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;
- e) Investigate and inquire into all matters relating to the assigned departments as they may deemed necessary, and as may be referred to them by the County Assembly;
- f) 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 appointments); and
- g) Make reports and recommendations to the County Assembly as often as possible, including recommendations of proposed legislation.

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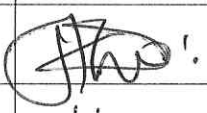
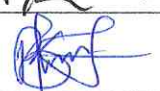
ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The committee is grateful to the Office of the Speaker and the office of the Clerk of the County Assembly for facilitating and providing technical support to the Committee during the period under review.

The committee also wish to appreciate the members of the committee on Education, Vocational Training Institutes, youth Sports who worked tirelessly in discharging their duties in the committee.

OWNESHIP OF THE REPORT

We, Honourable members of Committee on Education, Vocational Training Institutes, youth and Sports, do hereby append our signatures to this report to affirm our approval and confirm its accuracy, validity and authenticity:-

No.	Name	Position	Signature
1.	Hon. Cecilia Towett	Chairperson	
2.	Hon. Wilson Keter	V. Chair	W.K.
3.	Hon. Julius Kori	Member	
4.	Hon. Hellen Chepkirui	Member	
5.	Hon. Patrick Chepkwony	Member	
6.	Hon. Leonard Kirui	Member	
7.	Hon. Joyce Korir	Member	
8.	Hon. Aurelia Chepkirui	Member	A/K
9.	Hon. Benard Ngeno	Member	

2.0 EXAMINING THE ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT, EDUCATION, VOCATIONAL TRAINING INSTITUTES, YOUTH AND SPORTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE, 2014

1. The committee's Annual progress report is critical in assessing and analyzing the relative success of the committee measured by the results obtained as compared with its mandate;
2. That all matters related to pre-primary education, village polytechnics, home craft centres and childcare facilities have been fully devolved to the county Government;
3. The committee oversight three major sub-sectors namely;
 - I. Early Childhood and Education;
 - II. Vocational Training institutes (polytechnics);
 - III. Youth; and
 - IV. sports

4 2.10 LEGAL FRAMEWORK

2.11 The Constitution

According to the **Kenya Constitution 2010 Article 183(3)**, the County executive committee is obligated to provide the county Assembly with full and regular reports on matters relating to the county.

The Kenya constitution, at **Article 185(1)** gives the county assemblies legislative authority over a county.

Under Article 183(3) a county assembly, while respecting the principle of the separation of powers, may exercise oversight over the county executive committee and any other county executive organs.

2.12 The County Government Act

The **County Government Act Section 39(2)** provides that a committee of the County Assembly may require a member of the Executive Committee to;

- a) Attend or appear before the committee, and

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- b) Answer any questions relating to the members responsibilities.

2.13 Standing Orders

Pursuant to **Standing Order No.191(5)a** and all other enabling provisions of the law, the County Assembly Sectoral Committee on Education, Vocational Training, youth and sports within the Month of October, 2014 inquired into the 2013-2014 annual report submitted to them by the Bomet County Government, County Executive Member, Committee on Education, Vocational Training, youth and sports.

2.2MAJOR ISSUES TRANSACTED DURING THE PERIOD UNDER REVIEW

During the period under review, the committee deliberated on various issues touching on its mandate as provided for under the Standing Orders. The major issues discussed included the following;

- Recruitment of county ECDE assistant teachers
- Youth data capture exercise by the county
- Budget estimates (department- Education, vocational training, youth and sport)
- Sessional paper NO 1 of 2014- Support for the Needy(Bursary Funds)
- County sports programmes
- County Vocational training institutes

2.30MAJOR COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES DURING THE PERIOD UNDER REVIEW

2.31Committee sittings

The committee, during the Financial Year 2013/2014 held a total of 38 meetings to deliberate on various issues touching on its mandate.

During the sittings, the committee managed to get views and clarifications from the office of the County Executive Committee Member Education, Vocational
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3.0 OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE SECTOR

The committee made various observations regarding all the four sub-departments within the county department of Education, Vocational Training, Youth and Sports as follows;

3.10 Early Childhood and Education

3.11 Observations

The committee observed that various activities were undertaken in the course of the Year which included the following;

- a) Hiring of 931 ECD assistants on contractual basis, remuneration being Ksh 9,021,000 per month and Ksh 108,252,000 annually.
- b) Capacity building for the ECD assistants
- c) Refurbishment of 5 ECD centres in each sub-county

The issue of concern was the funding accorded to the department in terms of infrastructure development. On this area, the committee observed that the funding was too low and not equitably distributed across the county.

The committee observed that a total of **KSH. 39,488,648** (Disbursed as bursaries) was utilized for the needy children (OVCs AND PWDs) from national secondary schools, public day secondary schools and children special units.

3.12 Recommendations

On this sub-sector, the committee recommends that;

- I. Policy guidelines should be developed to ensure smooth running of activities in this sub-sector as well as accountability for resources allocated.
- II. The county government should prioritize the funding of the devolved functions particularly Early Childhood Development and Education (ECDE), before engaging in the functions of the national government.

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3.20 Vocational Training institutes (VTIs)

3.21 Observations

The committee observed that the county has a total of 24 Vocational Training institutes (Polytechnics). In the Financial Year 2013/2014, it is indicated that Ksh, 7,000,000 was spent. Out of all the VTIs, only 11 were funded to construct workshop and supply of equipment. Remuneration of instructors is still being done by the National Government.

The committee was also informed that that five (5) technical institutes were established namely Kibajit, Minaret, Burgei, Kamabwai, Kipleleji and Chemaner during the financial year ending 30th June, 2014. However, on overall, it was the committee's observation that funding for this sub-sector was too low

3.22 Recommendations

On this sector, the committee recommended that;

- a) That there is need for the county government to allocate more funds for this sub-sector to enable the youths to gain skills necessary for creating self-employment.
- b) The county government should ensure that necessary infrastructure should be put in place to ensure that the VTIs offer quality training.
- c) The relevant department should review the curriculum for the county VTIs so as to align them to needs of the market.
- d) The county government should encourage and sensitize communities within the county on the importance and utilization of these training institutes.
- e) The county government should prioritize fully equipping and modernizing the existing training institutes before establishing new ones.
- f) To avoid overlap of support of projects by the two levels of government (the national and county governments), both levels of government should

4.0 ACHIEVEMENTS, CHALLENGES & RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 Achievements

Over the period under review, the committee was able to participate in the processing of the Sessional paper NO 1 of 2014- Support for the Needy which has assisted children from poor background to access education as well.

4.2 Challenges

During the period under review the committee was faced with some challenges;

- i. Attaining Quorum for the committee to transact business in its meetings remains a challenge and sometimes the committee could not proceed.
- ii. Lack of proper communication from the executive on issues touching on the mandate of the committee.
- iii. Quarterly Progress reports were not submitted in time as required as required by the law

4.3 Recommendations

- i. The executive to be submitting documents to the committee on time so that the committee can be able to discharge its mandate effectively.
- ii. Capacity building and training for members to effectively discharge on the committee's mandate.

4.4 Conclusion

In spite of the challenges that were witnessed over the period under review, the committee was able to effectively deliver on its mandate as per the standing orders due to the commitment of the members and the support from the offices of the Clerk of the Assembly and the speaker.

Going forward, the committee is confident that the county department of Education, Vocational training Youth, and sports is set to improve in delivery of services and development of necessary infrastructure as the relevant policies are on the final stages of being finalized.

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