

BLACK PEOPLES' CONVENTION

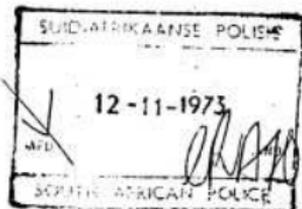
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MINUTES OF THE 3RD NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN PORT ELIZABETH  
ON THE 2ND SEPT, 1973.

The meeting commenced at 10.45 a.m. with the reading from scriptures by Rev. Mayatula. The president apologised for the meeting being held a day behind schedule.

AGENDA:

1. Opening by the President.
2. The Mthuli ka Shezi Memorial.
3. Branch Reports.
4. National Executive Report by Sec Gen.
5. Projects and commissions
6. Congress Arrangements.
7. General and Closure.

2. THE MTHULI KA SHEZI MEMORIAL.

The Sec. Gen announced the date of Mthuli ka Shezi's Memorial Service 17th Dec, 1973. A discussion followed and it was agreed that a tombstone be erected and that the financial situation of the family be looked into the whole issue was left to the National Executive with regards to finances.

3. BRANCH REPORTS.

It was agreed upon that all the branches submit their reports to Head Office in written form to facilitate the compilation of these reports. The Sec. Gen. was to compile the total number of branches and the total number of National membership and impart these to all the branches.

CO-ORDINATION OF BRANCHES;

There should be constant communication from Head Office to branches in the form of letters, circulars and communiques. Only in emergency cases could the telephone be used (resorted to). There should be centralised Annual planning by Head Office and this be disseminated to all the branches. The branches in turn report back to Head Office on how they envisaged implementing these plans in their areas. There should be intercommunication between branches with the view of exchanging ideas and proposed projects. Branches should make it a point to send reports every month to Head Office and the Head Office in turn compile these reports in a form of a digest which will serve as a feed-back to branches.

Resolution N/C

"That this National Council noting:-

1. the need for inter-branch co-ordination and communication.
2. that it is also desirable that there be more communication between branches and National Executive.

Therefore resolves:

1. to mandate the National Executive to despatch an annual programme to all branches
2. to mandate branch Chairmen to submit to National <sup>a/</sup>Organiser plans of executing the National programme relative to their situational circumstances.
3. to further mandate branches to organise projects on a regional basis where practicable.

NAT. EXEC. REPORT BY SECRETARY GENERAL.

There was no report as the Secretary Gen and the V.P. were taken away by agents of this oppressive regime to be served with the banning orders.

5. COMMISSIONS AND PROJECTS.

The Council felt it will be fruitless to break into commissions as there was no paper work, prepared. The commissions to have sat were on Youth, Leadership, however an in depth discussion on the following projects was held Leadership training HESPRO and Youth Programmes.

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