



These individuals should be members of the General Council and can be elected to the Executive - proposed UWO, seconded CAYCO. MJC and CAHAC expressed reservations about patuous being members of the Executive, however, this appeared to be a question of clarity on what was envisaged by UWO, and after lengthy discussion the proposal was accepted.

- c) CAHAC said a quorum clause was needed. The Interim Secretarial proposed the addition of a clause saying: "The quorum of Executive meetings shall be half of the members plus one. The quorum of the General Council shall be half of the people that should be there plus one." CAYCO proposed the addition of "For amendments to the declaration and working principles, a quorum should be two thirds of the General Council."

After some discussion, this matter was referred to the General Council and Executive.

- d) Organisations were asked to indicate whether their organisation would spare two representatives for the UDF(WC) GC or one. The following organisations claimed two representatives: CAHAC, CAYCO, UWO, WCCA, ICY, COSAS, AZASO, NUSAS, TEAM, MJC, WORCESTER HAC, WCTA, ICSA, and the following claimed one representative: SUCA, YCS, MWASA, WFO and NSA gave no indication. UWO raised objections to this way of proceeding and outlined the following criteria given at the conference for the status of two representatives on the UDF(WC)-i)

- i) mass membership across the Western Cape Region
- ii) democratic structures which will enable the organisation to participate in the campaign on the basis of a mandate.

It was agreed to use the votes claimed for the purposes of this meeting, but that the matter be referred to the General Council and Executive. The representation of organisations will be subject to review at that stage. Proposed UWO, seconded CAHAC, and accepted by Consensus. The Working Principles were accepted as amended-proposed CAHAC, seconded CAYCO.

6. ELECTIONS:

The following people were elected as patrons of UDF(WC):

- Sheik Nazeem
- Rev. Alan Boesak
- Dullah Omar
- Hassan Ewaa
- Oscar Mpetha
- Christmas Tinto
- Johnny Issel
- Nelson Mandela

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Rashid Seria - proposed ICY and seconded by UWO  
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The UDF(WC) pledged itself for working with democratic fronts in other areas - proposed CAHAC, seconded by TEAM and accepted by Consensus.

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- f) Townships, Bonteheuwel, Mannenberg, Heideveld
- g) Gaarl
- h) Worcester
- i) Stellenbosch

The exact demarcation will be done by the Executive

- v) This will be the first priority of the General Council

9. NATIONAL UDF:

A delegate from Transvaal UDF addressed the meeting and invited the UDF(WC) Executive to a national meeting so that the decision about a national launching could be taken democratically. (Worcester Housing Action Committee asked to be excused from the meeting)

The Interim Secretarial read a letter from Natal UDF. AZASO proposed and TEAM seconded that the conference accept that the national launching should take place in the Western Cape. CAYCO and UWC in supporting the proposal stressed the importance of area work to ensure mass participation, and that so far this had not happened in the Western Cape.

10. PRESS STATEMENT:

It was agreed that the Publicity Secretary should release a statement to the media.

Cacir Mpetha gave a closing address. He called on everyone in the house to support in the task it was going to undertake. "To my colleagues, I say, the road ahead is difficult, and the road ahead is long. But if we work together, we will reach the end before the anticipated time. I can safely say to the Nationalist government that the past is their, but the future is ours. Amandla Ngawethu! Inkululeko ngoku! I degree ngomso!"

The conference closed with the National Anthem at 4.30p.m.

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