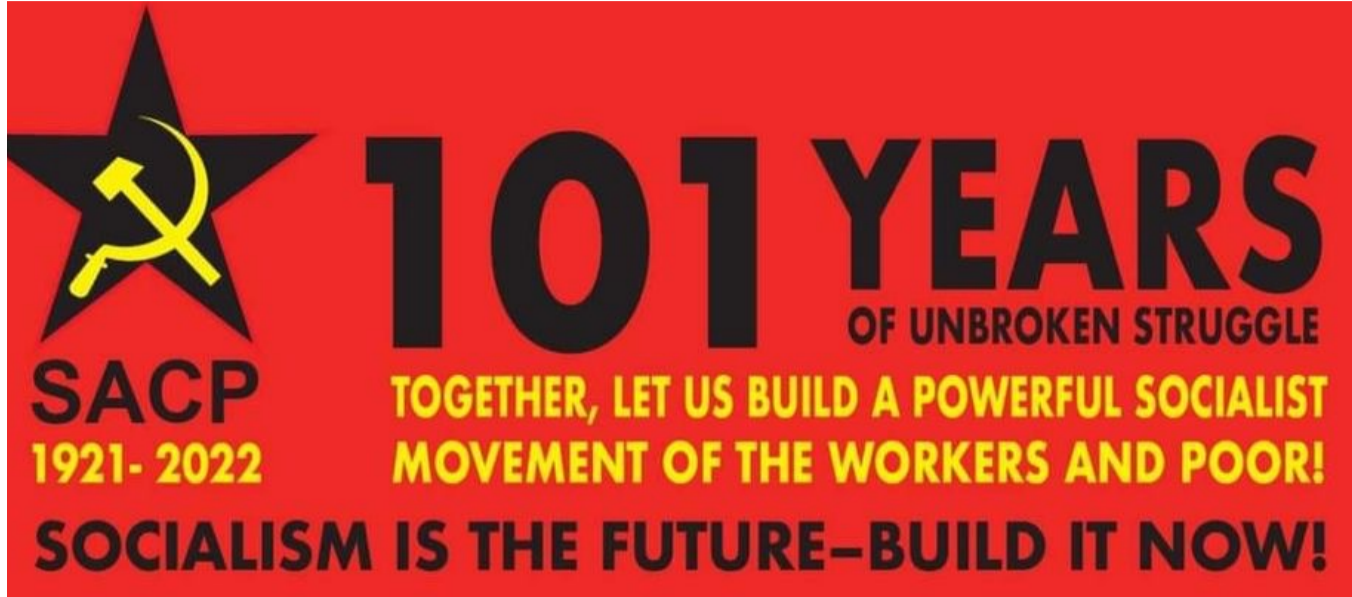


# SACP in FS express grave concern on the debilitating Boitumelo Hospital



The South African Communist Party (SACP) in the Free State Province (FS) held an ordinary Provincial Working Committee (PWC) meeting on 12 February 2023 in Bloemfontein. The SACP PWC reflected on recent international and domestic developments and paid substantial attention to recent developments in our province, evaluated the impact and implications of these developments on the national democratic revolution, as well as the political and organisational work of the Alliance in general and immediate tasks of the Party, in particular.

“The PWC expressed grave concerns regarding the debilitating situation at Boitumelo Hospital in Kroonstad where the workforce was forced by intolerable conditions of employment to take extraordinary measures to draw attention and assistance of the authorities, which remains insufficient. The SACP calls for urgent intervention by

the Health Department to attend to the immediate infrastructural needs and additional staff and other requirements at the institution, including addressing the conditions of employment of the workers and reversing the senseless suspension or removal of workers at the hospital. The SACP also demands urgent investigations into the quality and value for money on the financial expenditure on recent work at the Hospital that seems to have worsened conditions rather than aid better provision of health care services, despite the spending of millions of rands” said Bheke Stofile Provincial Secretary in a statement.

The SACP PWC congratulated the ANC Free State for convening a successful provincial conference and acknowledged the newly elected Provincial Executive Committee (PEC), which it said is broadly well representative. The party further said it is largely encouraged by the communicated main content of

the outcomes and programmatic focus areas of the recent ANC PEC and the Lekgotla. “The provincial leadership was briefed by the ANC provincial leadership on decisions to strengthen provincial and local government. Specifically, this relates to the ANC decision to redeploy the Free State Premier and the Executive Mayor of Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality. The SACP in the province noted the developments and understood that ANC internal processes in this regard are still being pursued with higher structures for finality.

The party also raise concerns on the ongoing rolling loadshedding and its devastating impact on the economy and society and the worsening situation in Jagersfontein following a mining sludge dam burst tragedy. It also congratulated the class of 2022 and everyone that played a role in the education and development and improvements in the education system and on the learners.



## The Democratic Alliance's Roy Jankielsohn re-elected to lead the party in FS

Roy Jankielsohn has been re-elected to lead the party in the Free State. The party held its congress on the 28 February in Kroonstad. The elected positions of the Free State were filled as the following:

- The DA Free State Leader: Roy Jankielsohn (Uncontested)
- The DA Free State Provincial Chairperson: Werner Horn (Uncontested)
- The DA Free State Provincial Finance Chairperson: David van Vuuren (Uncontested)
- The DA Free State Provincial First Deputy Chairperson: Igor Scheurkogel (Newly Elected)
- The DA Free State Provincial Second Deputy Chairperson: Jafta Mokoena (Newly Elected)
- The DA Youth Free State Provincial Chairperson: Emma Kruger (Newly Elected)
- The DA Youth Free State Provincial Deputy Chairperson Administration: Tlhalefo Motlhale (Uncontested).

## Mokgatlo wa ANC Fezile Dabi o kgetha boetapele bo botjha



Mokgatlo wa African National Congress lebatoweng la Fezile Dabi o kgethile boetapele bo botjha sebokeng sa bona se fitileng ka la 28-29 Hlakola. Seboka se na sa bosupa sa lebatowa la Fezile Dabi se kgethile baetapele ba latelang:

Chairperson:

- Victoria De Beer

Deputy Chairperson:

- Toy Mokatsane

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- Thabo Mabasa

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