



PARLIAMENT
OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS

17th Youth Parliament

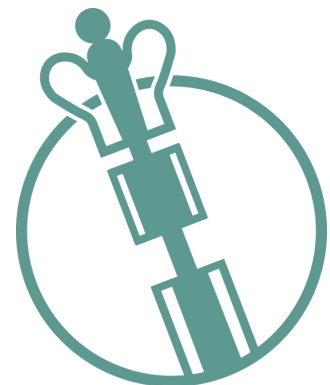
Held on:

Monday, 11 March 2024

At the:

House of Parliament

33 Fort St., George Town



Programme

10:15 a.m. Members of Parliament and Persons seated in the Chamber.
Members of the Public to be seated in the Public Gallery.

10:25 a.m. Seated on the platform:

Hon. Katherine Ebanks-Wilks, MP

Minister of Sustainability & Climate Resiliency
Chair of the CPA Youth Parliament Organising Committee

Hon. Heather D. Bodden, OCl, Cert. Hon., JP, MP

Deputy Speaker of Parliament and Parliamentary Secretary
Deputy President of the CPA Cayman Islands Branch

Hon. Juliana O'Connor-Connolly, JP, MP

Premier, Minister for Finance & Economic Development,
Education and District Administration & Lands
Joint Vice-President of the CPA Cayman Islands Branch

Hon. Roy McTaggart, JP, MP

Leader of the Opposition
Joint Vice-President of the CPA Cayman Islands Branch

10:30 a.m. Youth Parliamentarians seated.

10:31 - 11:00 a.m. **Opening Remarks**
Hon. Katherine Ebanks-Wilks, MP

Welcome Address

Hon. Heather D. Bodden, OCl, Cert. Hon., JP, MP

Remarks

Hon. Roy McTaggart, JP, MP

Opening of the Seventeenth Youth Parliament

Hon. Juliana O'Connor-Connolly, JP, MP

**SPEAKER'S
PROCESSION**

All Rise

PRAYER

To be delivered by the Hon Premier, Minister of Finance & Economic Development, Education and District Administration & Lands.

**READING OF MESSAGES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
BY THE HONOURABLE SPEAKER**

Statement by the Honourable Speaker of the CPA
Seventeenth Youth Parliament

**OTHER
BUSINESS**

Private Members' Motions:

- Private Member's Motion No. 1 of 2024: Immigration and Border Reform
- Private Member's Motion No. 2 of 2024: An Updated National Development Plan for the Cayman Islands

ADJOURNMENT

This Honourable Seventeenth Youth Parliament stands adjourned siné die.

Youth Parliamentarians

Speaker

HON. RALDAYNE THOMAS

Ministers of the Cabinet

HON. JHENELLE COLQUHOON, MP

Newlands

Premier, Minister of Finance & Economic Development, Education and District Administration & Lands

HON. ANGELO REALES, MP

Red Bay

Minister of Tourism & Ports

HON. CHLOE REID, MP

Bodden Town West

Minister of Planning, Agriculture, Housing, Infrastructure, Transport & Development

HON. JERRIN REYNOLDS-VELASQUEZ, MP

West Bay North

Minister of Youth, Sports & Heritage

HON. JORDAN MCDONALD, MP

George Town North

Deputy Premier, Minister of Financial Services & Commerce and Investment, Innovation & Social Development

HON. JOHANAH O'CONNOR, MP

Bodden Town East

Minister of Health & Wellness, and Home Affairs

HON. CHAD POWELL JR., MP

North Side

Minister of Border Control & Labour and Culture

HON. LUANA SLEVIN, MP

George Town West

Minister of Sustainability & Climate Resiliency

Ex-Officio Members of the Cabinet

HON. ABYGALE ELLIOTT

Deputy Governor, ex officio Member responsible for the Portfolio of the Civil Service

HON. LORLIE BRYAN

Attorney General, ex officio Member responsible for the Portfolio of Legal Affairs

Government Backbench

MISS SIRICHANDANA BATTA, MP
Cayman Brac East

MR. DIMITRI HURLSTON, MP
Cayman Brac West & Little Cayman

MISS AYLANI MORRIS- SEYMOUR, MP
West Bay Central

The Opposition

HON KEIRA BODDEN, MP
Prospect
Leader of the Opposition

MISS AMAYA EBANKS, MP
George Town Central

MISS BRIANNA GREENE, MP
East End

MISS ALISON OWENS, MP
West Bay West

MISS ROSIE DIJKHUIZEN, MP
West Bay South
Deputy Leader of the Opposition

MISS TERRISHA WALKER, MP
George Town East

MR. GARSON GARDINER, MP
Savannah

MISS ANABELLA HAYDEN, MP
George Town South

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MISS TYLER WOOLAVER
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MR. ISAIAH WHITTAKER
Serjeant-at-Arms



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The Youth Parliament Organising Committee is comprised of Members of Parliament and Parliamentary staff who support and guide the students as they learn about the legislature and develop their arguments.

- Hon. Katherine Ebanks-Wilks, MP | *Chair*
- Hon. Kenneth Bryan, MP
- Mr. Joseph Hew, MP
- Hon. Johany Ebanks, MP
- Ms. Barbara Conolly, NP, JP, MP
- Hon. Dwayne Seymour, OCl, JP, MP
- Mrs. Zena Merren-Chin, BSc, LLB | *Clerk*
- Ms. Nordra Walcott, LL.B (Hons.), PGDip | *Asst. Clerk*

Guest Speakers

Several guest speakers dedicated their time and expertise to educating and assisting the students as they learned about the legislature, the government, and effective speaking and research skills.

Thank you to all of the speakers who attended training sessions, including: Deputy Governor Hon. Franz Manderson; Attorney General Hon. Samuel Bulgin; Leader of the Opposition Hon. Roy M. McTaggart, JP, MP; Solicitor General Mrs. Reshma Sharma; Mr. Vaughan Carter, Chair of the Constitutional Commission; Mr. James Whittaker of GreenTech Solar; Mr. Arek Nicholson and Mr. Mahipal Persaud of the Grand Cayman Toastmasters Club; and, Chief Officers and Civil Servants across the Cayman Islands Government.

Commonwealth Day

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