

AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN - NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1993, AT THE VICTORIAN
COUNCIL OF CHURCHES OFFICE, AT 10 A.M.**

PRESENT : Mrs. Eunice Reidy (Pres.), Mrs. Marion Dodds (Sec.), Mrs. Helen Banks (Treas.), Mrs. Joan Stott (Vice-Pres.), Miss Dorothy Clack (Vice-Pres.), Mrs. Margaret Wall (F.L.C.), Mrs. Joan Cooper (W.K.S.), Mrs. Major Elaine Johnson (Newsletter) Mrs. Heather Boatman (S/Days), Mrs. Barbara Lacy (Min.Sec.).

OPENING : The President welcomed members to the final meeting of 1993. Devotion was led by Mrs. Joan Cooper with a reading from Luke 2:8-12. A reflection from a U.K. publication "Magnet" reminded us of our need to say yes to the Lord's call, We prayed to always hear His voice; for the Church, our own congregations and loved ones in this time of joy.

MINUTES of 12/11/93 were passed on the motion of B. Lacy, 2nded M.Wall.

BUSINESS ARISING :

- i. A.C.W. Representative to A.C.C. : The A.C.T. and Victorian Units have ratified the appointment of Mrs. M. McCann to this position.
- ii. W.C.D. Project 1994 - to Special Days Report.

CORRESPONDENCE : received on the motion of M. Dodds, 2nded J. Cooper.

- i) ACW A.C.T. Unit - Corrections to National Conference Minutes - to be held, and National Executive and State Units are invited to forward any further alterations or omissions to the National Secretary a.s.a.p. A draft of Conference changes to the Constitution is being prepared by J. Stott for the January meeting.
- ii) ACW A.C.T. Unit - re Circular & ACW News.
- iii) ACW A.C.T. Unit - entry to Memorial Bursary book of inaugural and Life Member of A.C.T. Unit, Mrs Patricia Taylor-Rogers, incl. cheque.
- iv) ACW A.C.T. Unit - ACW Rep to A.C.C.
- v) ACW A.C.T. Unit Minutes 26/11/93.
- vi) ACW N.S.W. Unit - a) re Nat. Exec. Minutes 15/10/93, corresp. (iv). It was agreed last sentence was sufficient, and in accordance with the guidelines for W.K. Fellows. b) Year of The Family - no correspondence to hand, but it appears most denominations have involvement in the Year of The Family.
- vii) ACW N.S.W. Unit - Promotions convenor.
- viii) ACW N.S.W. Unit - Minutes 20/9/93.
- ix) ACW Q'LAND Unit - Minutes 22/11/93.
- x) ACW VIC Unit - ACW Rep. to A.C.C.
- xi) WKS TRUST- 1994 Scholar; Aboriginal Consultation - to W.K.S. Rpt.
- xii) Dorothy Wright re Life Membership & Trustees.
- xiii) Ruth Burmester/Thanks for Nat. conf. Minutes.
- xiv) The Girls' Brigade - re affiliation with A.C.W. It was moved D. Clack, 2nded H. Banks, that National Executive recommend that The Girls' Brigade be affiliated with A.C.W. as a special Interests group, and request ratification by State Units, carried. It was moved J. Stott, 2nded E. Johnson that it is recommended that State and Territorial Units be encouraged to make a positive response to approaches by the Girls' Brigade or other ecumenical groups with regard to developing relationships which may lead to affiliation, carried. Fees- to be collected at State levels.

CORRESPONDENCE (continued)

- xv) Office of Film & Lit. Classification - tabled, copies available.
- xvi) ATSIC & Coalition of Aboriginal Organisations - a plain English guide to the Native Title Bill seeking a just response. Copy for information to W.K.S. Trustees.
- xviii) Womensport Australia
- xix) Equal Employment Opportunity Conference - to J. Stott.
- xx) Melbourne Tourist Authority
- xxi) Australasian Internat. Meetings Expo 1994
- xxii) The Quorum No. 56 - tourist information
- xxiii) The President's Bible - was presented to E. Reidy by M. Dodds.
- xxiv) Affirmative Action Agency.
- xxv) M. Napier, A.C.W.C. Representative - Clarification of expenses for the A.C.W. delegation - three delegates - air fares paid by A.C.W.C., and usually registration fees of \$250 U.S. are paid by National Executive. Three observers are expected to pay air fares and registration fees. Fares and reg. fees are paid by A.C.W.C. for our Australian representative and A.C.W.C. committee members.

It was moved J. Stott, 2nded B. Lacy, that we accept the offer of E. Reidy to investigate the practicality/costs of producing carry bags in Australia, and to report to the January meeting. Carried. The bags are to be presented as a gift to conference participants.

Outwards -

- i) Dorothy Haensel, W.K.S. Trustees
- ii) Mr. Stan Paul, Corpus Christi College.
- iii) Mrs. Lieut-Col. Beth Webb, ACW A.C.T. Unit.
- iv) Circular No. 1 to State Units.

President's Mail -

- in - i) E. Sullivan, A.C.T. Unit - attended the CAPOW Conference representing A.C.W. and briefly reported there were 270 women present including several women politicians. Sen. Rosemary Crowley (Office of Status of Women) reported on the new Australian Council of Women which succeeds the National Women's Consultative Council. Official report to follow. It was moved D. Clack, 2nded J. Stott, that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to E. Sullivan. Carried.

The National Prayer Breakfast in Canberra was attended by Evonne as unofficial rep. of A.C.W., and advised the National Executive of Australian Church Women.

12.10 p.m. - The meeting adjourned until 12.45 p.m. for lunch.

REPORTS :

Treasurer : Report attached, and it was moved by H. Banks, 2nded J. Stott, that the report be received, and accounts for payment be passed, carried.

Winifred Kiek Scholar : 1994 Scholar is **NIGHAT GULZAR** of Pakistan, who works with the Women's Development & Service Program, Raiwind Diocese, Church of Pakistan in the finance area and is seeking 2 months in office management. The award of a second Scholarship to the other applicant - **MISS JAITA ADHIKAI** IS BEING CONSIDERED PROVIDING FINANCE IS AVAILABLE (National Conference motion 12).

W.K.S. responsibilities - following a query from the Trustees regarding processes of awarding the Scholarship; any future relevant changes to application form, etc., we believe this is the role to be undertaken by the Trustees to maintain continuity and build up a file of records as agreed in Motion 6 (a) at the National Conference.

REPORTS (continued)

W.K.S. Aboriginal consultation - It was moved J. Stott, 2nded D. Clack, that the letter from the Trustees pertaining to this Consultation be considered by members of the National Executive and discussed further at the January meeting.

W.K.S. Leaflet - A draft is being considered by the working group, and it was suggested that the contact person listed should be the National Convenor.

Special Days - Five Units had replied in favour of Shalom Christian College, Townsville. Convenor, H. Boatman, moved that Shalom College be recipient of the W.C.D. '94 Offering; and that the N.S.W. Unit and Shalom be so advised by the National Secretary, 2nded H. Banks, and carried. 1995/96 themes are being considered.

Fellowship of The Least Coin - S. Samuel has acknowledged appointment of M. Wall as National Convenor. State Convenors are advised that grant applications are required by 31/5/94. Further consideration to a draft leaflet was given.

A.C.W. "News" - Information tabled, next issue due February, '94.

Note : It is suggested Convenors table a written report to assist timing and recording.

GENERAL BUSINESS :

- (a) 1995 National Conference : An outline of program was presented for consideration at January meeting, together with themes.
- (b) Next meeting - **FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 1994**, at the home of Joan Cooper, 20 Roberts Road, Belmont, 3216.

CLOSE : The President conveyed Christmas blessings and His peace and joy at this Christmastime.

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PLEASE NOTE : Tapes from National Conference, September, 1993

- 1. The Journey - including Liyapadiny's singing & Delphine's talk.
- 2. Financial concerns - Sea Brasch
- 3. AIDS - Major Kopp
- 4. Hospice - Viki Elphinstone
- 5. Youth Suicide - Paul Bottern
- 6. Lou Daniel's summing up
- 7. Devotions on Bus

All good quality except for The Journey (long way from mikes).
Cost & Orders to - Mrs. Alison Ison,
25 Woodward Avenue,
BURNIE TAS 7320

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President Assist. Secretary Date

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - AS AT 1ST DECEMBER, 1993.

BALANCE as at 31st October, 1993 4307.63

RECEIPTS:

M.Verco-ACW minutes		50.00	
Badge		2.00	
A.Fitzgerald P/Cash		16.47	
M.Napier-Booklets ICFLC		15.00	
State of Tasmania		1300.00	
ACWC Bulletins - SA	60.00		
	WA	75.00	
	Q.	15.00	
	Vic	105.00	
	NSW	135.00	
	ACT	7.50	397.50
ACWC Partners SA	86.50		
	NSW	500.00	586.50
WCD/Project SA	500.00		
	WA	641.92	
	Q.	1504.00	
	Vic	1950.00	
	NSW	3542.57	
	ACT	280.00	8418.49
FD/WKS SA	1100.00		
	WA	561.05	
	Q.	1510.00	
	Vic	3000.00	
	NSW	4517.45	
	ACT	270.00	10958.50
WK Fellowship SA		400.00	
WK Scholarship Q.		58.10	
FLC SA	5000.00		
	WA	1708.41	
	Q.	4090.00	
	Vic	5605.00	
	NSW	7873.15	
	ACT	1400.36	25676.92
Travel-Nat. Q.	200.00		
	Vic	270.00	470.00
-O/Seas Q.	200.00		
	NSW	150.00	350.00

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Less EXPENSES

<u>Executive P/Cash</u>			
Minute Sect.	50.00		
Secretary	50.00		
Publications	50.00		
FLC	50.00		
Special Days	50.00		
W.K.S.	50.00		
Vic Unit advance	200.00		500.00

Balance as at 1st December, 1993

52507.11

Invested

5000.00

\$57507.11

Allen Banks.

Accounts to be passed for payment: 10.12.93

ACWC Bulletins (75)		565.00	
WK Scholarship	10760.47		
Scholarship donation	58.10		
Fellowship	400.00		
Memorial Bursary	50.00	11268.57	
FLC (less 5% admin. '92)	24349.08		
ICFLC booklets	15.00	24364.08	
ACW ACT Unit (Reg.CAPOW)		90.00	
Salvation Army - Oct/Nov.			
ACW Newsletter Printing	184.50		
Postage	72.30	256.80	
Petty Cash to Vic.Unit		200.00	\$36744.45
'93 Transfer to Admin. (5% FLC, WCD off. FD off)			\$ 2340.29
<u>To be invested \$5000.00 ACWC and Disaster Relief</u>			<u>\$4400.00</u>

Correspondence IN - Oct/Nov.

A. Ison	-	various
B. Lacy	-	re Minutes M.Verco
State of Tasmania	-	subsidy
Units SA	-	cheque
ACT	-	cheque
NSW	-	cheque
WA	-	cheque
Q.	-	cheque
Vic	-	cheque
Tas	-	cheque (received 8/12/93-not included in Receipts-1/12/93)

OUT Receipts/thanks for cheques - all States

D. Wright re 1992 & 1993 WK Scholars	
A. Fitzgerald - receipt	
M. Verco - receipt	
M. Napier - receipt	
B. Lacy - re Conference Tapes	
State of Tasmania - receipt for subsidy	
State Govt.Vic. - re Tax exemption	
Taxation Office - re Tax Exemption	

BALANCES AS AT 1st December, 1993.

ADMINISTRATION & GENERAL	6270.14	
NATIONAL CONF/TRAVEL	2470.00	
O/SEAS CONF/TRAVEL	2370.46	
OPERATION UNDERSTANDING	298.00	
FELLOWSHIP OF LEAST COIN	25676.92	
WCD/SPECIAL PROJECT	8418.49	
ACWC PARTNERS	586.50	
FD/WKS	10958.50	
WKS donation	58.10	
WK FELLOWSHIP	400.00	<u>\$57507.11</u>