

Australian Church Women National Executive

Minutes of meeting of National Executive held at Yarralumla Uniting Church Centre, Monday 20th January 1997 at 9.30am.

Present: Evonne Sullivan, President; Betty Farrell, Vice President; Olga Scott, Vice President; Jean Thomson, Hon. Secretary; Helen Lloyd, Treasurer; Jan Abrahamffy, National Minute Secretary; Betty Laurie, Special Days Convener, Jenny Jarvis, Winifred Kiek Scholarship Convener; Ruth Burmester, National Life Member;

Apologies: Eileen Holley, Fellowship of Least Coin Convener; Beth Webb, Publications Editor;

Welcome: National President welcomed us to the first Executive meeting of 1997.

Devotions: prepared by Evonne Sullivan and read by Jenny Jarvis: Luke 5 - "Launch Out"

Minutes of meeting of 16. 12. 96. Confirmed on motion of Olga Scott, Betty Farrell

Business Arising

1. Jenny Jarvis, (WKS Convener) wished to record her disappointment that National Executive had decided NOT TO APPROVE the order of service as prepared by Sue Fairly for 1997 Fellowship Day. National President reiterated that Jenny's point of view had been taken into consideration prior to the decision reached on the matter at last Executive meeting. (Note: Jenny was the only member of National Executive to vote for the acceptance of Sue Fairly's Order of Service including the monologue on 'The Ailing Woman')

2. Ratification from all the State/Territory Units is needed in order to officially fill the vacancy of National Minute Secretary on National Executive.

National Executive must also receive ratification of Bimbadeen College as the proposed project for World Community Day 1997. Secretary to write to all State/Territory Units about these matters.

Reports:

1. **National President - Evonne Sullivan** reported on a telephone call with Deacon Anne-Marie Priestley in Alice Springs. National President has great pleasure in announcing that the Branch of ACW in Alice Springs has been officially formed. The names of Office Bearers are:-

Rev Anne Marie Priestley (Anglican) - President;
Mrs Joan McDonald (Catholic) - Secretary;
Mrs Carol Saxby (Uniting) - Treasurer

They received with thanks the seeding grant of \$75.00 and ACW badges were pinned on the Office Bearers at the meeting

The various churches in Alice Springs have received the new branch well; all very cooperative. Members will meet again shortly to plan the 1997 World Day of Prayer Service in Alice Springs.

Evonne also reported on a letter received from Beth Webb - thanks for farewell luncheon

tendered herself and husband Les prior to their departure from Canberra.

Evonne reported that she was presently negotiating with both domestic airlines to obtain lowest possible fares for National Conference participants.

2. **Fellowship of the Least Coin - National Convenor Eileen Holley** in her written report said she had received orders for Circle of Prayer No 14 from all State/Territory Convenors except Victoria; and as a consequence had sent off a revised order for 1000 copies to Canada by FAX in December.

Eileen has also sent FLC Spoons and badges to Queensland Unit as ordered.

Please continue to send all mail for
Fellowship of the Least Coin - National Convenor Eileen Holley to
PO Box 95, Yarralumla ACT 2600.

3. **Publications** - Beth Webb - in her written report advised that as there had been some concern about finding a printer quickly in Melbourne, her husband had photocopied the required number at Salvation Army Headquarters before they left for Melbourne and the ACW News will be in the post on 28 January.

Please keep interesting articles coming, and everybody is reminded that the correct address for same is still

PO Box 95, Yarralumla ACT 2600.

4. **Special Days** - National Convenor Betty Laurie thanked everybody for their concern and care during her time in hospital. Her health is improving slowly.

During the period in hospital she was pleased to be consulted and kept informed of the actions of National Executive and fully approved of the decision taken about the fellowship day Order of Service prepared by Sue Fairly on behalf of Queensland Unit.

The Order of Service for World Community Day prepared by Alice Springs Branch had been received, first draft had been typed, but the artwork for the cover design is yet to arrive.

Betty read a letter recently received from Deaconess Frances McKechnie of Alice Springs

National Secretary reported that Margaret Florence and her husband, Rev Ian Florence, were preparing an alternative Order of Service for 1997 Fellowship Day.

5 **Winifred Kiek Scholarship Convenor - Jenny Jarvis** reported that she had posted 14 Christmas cards to all scholars for whom she knew an address. Two cards received in reply were passed round the meeting.

Letters had been received from both the recipients of the 1997 scholarships, the photos had already been scanned into the computer and the brochure would soon be prepared. Jenny was authorised to proceed with publication of same.

Rachel McManus had asked questions about book allowances etc, and Jenny reported that

she had written telling her to contact the WKS Trustees direct on these questions.

Joanne Harries had advised of changes to the course she proposed taking - and again this had been communicated to the WKS Trustees, but the changes should not pose any problems.

A letter had been received from Dorothy Ferrier enclosing an excellent report from NCCA about work in Cambodia, including the project that ACW supported in 1996. A precis of this report will be sent to the Editor for next ACW News.

Dorothy Haensel has supplied a copy of the Deed of Trust for WKS. This copy shows all updates/amendments up to and including 1995 conference. The National Executive expressed concern as to whether this 'updated' document was legally constituted. Jenny to seek clarification of the matter.

Secretary to contact D. Haensel re availability of this document 'on disk'

It was suggested that both 1997 WKS scholars should be invited to attend the National Conference.

6. National Treasurer - Helen Lloyd -

Financial report as attached was accepted on the motion of Helen Lloyd/Betty Laurie.

The Treasurer pointed out that at present the amount in Conference Fund only amounted to \$3774.00 and as \$2000.00 must be kept as 'Capital' then National Executive must remind State/Territory Units of their obligation to make annual contributions to the Conference Fund.

The ACWC Publications have been ordered for every State/Territory Unit as requested.

Accounts as below, were passed for payment on motion of Helen Lloyd, seconded by Jan Abrahamffy.

Photocopying of December National Minutes	\$ 33.60
Photocopying of 'Guidelines' for Nat. Executive	\$ 29.00
J. Thomson - Postage for December National Minutes	\$ 24.40
National President petty cash	\$ 50.00

Ratify Payment to Salvation Army National Headquarters for Photocopying ACW News (Feb/Mar Issue)	\$100.00
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Correspondence as listed - received/endorsed on motion of Jan Abrahamffy/Olga Scott.

B/A

1. Helen Lloyd reported phone conversations with Bartel Ltd re ACW Badges. National Executive decided that she should pursue matter with Perfection Plate as well.

2 National Secretary to write letter of appreciation to Fay McCormack retiring Secretary of Tasmanian Unit.

General Business:

1 National President reported on phone call from Dorothy McMaster -(previously National Minute Secretary) who indicated that she would be willing to serve again on National Executive..

It was unanimously decided to invite Dorothy to rejoin National Executive as a co-opted member on National Conference Planning. Moved Olga Scott, seconded Jenny Jarvis.

2. The matter of an article about the forthcoming National Conference for the next issue of ACWC Publication was discussed. National President to contact Major L. Green National Representative ACWC regarding the matter.

No further items of general business.

Next Meeting:

Monday 24th February 1997 at Yarralumla Uniting Church Centre. at 9.30am

Devotions: Ruth Burmester

Hostess: Betty Farrell

Wendie R. Sullivan
Date 24.2.97

National President

Apologies for Feb Meeting _ Beth Webb; Helen Lloyd

AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

Treasurer's Report 16 December 1996 to 20 January 1997

Cheque Account

Balance at 16.12.96

\$64073.72

RECEIPTS

Acw - ACT unit	5 FLC Spoons	20.00	
	10 FLC Badges	40.00	60.00
Acw - WA unit	Acwc Bulletins	45.00	
	FLC	189.10	
Interest	Special Project	55.00	289.10
			25.51

Term Deposit Interest - 2912 5004 4180

53.69

428.30

PAYMENTS

Acw - Alice Springs Branch 'Seeding Grant'	75.00
Jean Thomson Postage	21.20
Nth Woden Uniting Church - Photocopying	30.00
Fellowship of the least coin	37387.55
Acwc - Acwc Bulletin Subs 1997	684.84
Acwc	5237.06
WCD - Special Project - Pakistan	4686.05
Bank Draft Charges	30.00
Winifred Keek Scholarship Trust '96 Contribs.	11164.65
WKSTrust - Return balance of WKS Fellowship	
re visit Deaconess Barkat Dass	624.60

The Salvation Army - Nat Sec - Acw News

100.00

60040.95

Balance at 20.1.97

\$4461.07

CASH SUMMARY 20.1.97

Cheque A/c	2912 5004 4180	5000.00	\$4461.07
Term Deposits	2912 5004 2564	5330.15	10330.15
			<u>\$14791.22</u>

SUMMARY OF DESIGNATED FUNDS 20.1.97

Administration	8878.37
National Conference Travel	3774.45
Overseas Conference Travel	2138.40
	<u>\$14791.22</u>

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