

## AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN

Minutes of National Executive meeting 9th April 1999  
held at Catholic Centre, 143 Edward Street, Brisbane

- WELCOME** President Aileen Mortensen welcomed all present.  
A special welcome was extended to Barbara Lacy, ACWC Rep. who had travelled from Sydney to attend the National Executive meeting.
- DEVOTION** Aileen Mortensen opened the meeting with devotions. "Through all Life's Changing Seasons" from Faces in the Crowd by B J Hoff and Prayer.
- PRESENT** Aileen Mortensen, Margaret Florence, Ailsa Skipen, Joan Trudgian, Mollie Jean Hunt, Terry Reeves, Ina Collard, Barbara Lacy ACWC Rep.
- APOLOGIES** Averil Jell, Val Van de Wiel, Miriam Pratt.
- MINUTES** Minutes of the meeting 12th March 199 were confirmed m. Terry Reeves s. Ailsa Skipen c.

**BUSINESS ARISING** from Minutes -  
no business arising

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Inwards: as per attached list  
Outwards: as per attached list

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE**

1. NSW State Unit - World Community Day Project - Exodus Foundation, Ashfield Sydney
2. ACT Unit - World Community Day Project - Australian Services Nurses National Memorial.
3. NSW State Unit Meetings - Resignation of Lucelle King due to her move to Forster - noted -  
ACWC Highlights from Chiang Mai Conference - Shirley Wells - We have not contributed to the "Circle of Prayer" for some years and we have been asked to submit a "Voice from Australia" for the next volume.  
Secretary to write to NSW State Unit to have this matter clarified.

Correspondence inwards received and outwards endorsed M. Mollie Jean Hunt  
s. Terry Reeves c.

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

See attached.

Accounts for payment:-

Secretary - M Florence - Postage	\$23.50	
Photocopying Paper & envelopes	\$49.98	
		\$ 73.48
Barbara Lacy ACWC Rep. (Airfare for meeting)		\$243.40
Printpoint Aust. (F.L.C. Leaflets)		\$764.00
L Trudgian (Paper for Newsletter)		\$ 87.84
A.C.W Qld Unit (Circle of Prayer)		\$ 30.00

J Trudgian moved that the Financial Report be accepted and Accounts passed for payment s. Ina Collard, Carried.

## **REPORTS**

### **ACWC REP. BARBARA LACY**

The President Aileen asked Barbara Lacy ACWC Rep. to address the meeting. Barbara shared with the Executive some thought from the 11th Assembly and some of the work of ACWC.

The next ACWC Executive meeting to be held 1.5.99 in the Philippines, when more work will be done on the Constitution -(Barbara and the secretary were able to spend time working on the Constitution on Thursday night). Other items Barbara will ask to be considered at the Executive meeting - Evaluation of 11th Assembly - ACWC Scholarship - ACWC Brochure - ACWC Newsletter - cost and format - Progress of Mission Statement.

Barbara has had no reply to her Emails to Shunila Ruth in Pakistan and asks for your prayer concerning this matter.

ACWC President, Nancy Lin had requested prayers for Illuminada Domingo and her husband who was serious ill with cancer. (We have since heard that Illuminada's husband passed away last week).

National Executive appreciated having Barbara with us for our meeting, we thank her for sharing this information with us and wish her well as she travels to the Philippines for the next Executive meeting.

### **President**

No report

#### **2. Fellowship of the Least Coin - Convenor - Mollie Jean Hunt -**

F.L. C. Leaflets have been printed and sent to State/Territory Units as ordered.

Reminder letter sent to State/ Territory Units re F.L.C. grants and Reports required for F.L.C. Convenors National Conference Report.

I.C.F.L.C. Newsletter received - to be photocopied and sent to F.L.C. Convenors with minutes.

#### **3. Winifred Kiek Scholarship Convenor - Ailsa Skippen**

Correspondence Inwards:

18.3.99 Letter and copy of Newslette from Edith Ridge N.S.W. Convenor; Three applicants interested in W.K.S. 2000. all difference denominations and subject is theology.

18.3.99 Letter from Leeola Lougham W.A. thanking for W.K.S. leaflets received also asked to tell Val Van de Wiel she received the Fellowship Day Service sheets.

8.4.99 Easter Card received from Nighet Gulzar(Pakistan) beautifully hand made and illustrated

#### **OUTWARD**

Letter to N.S.W. W.K.S Convenor Edith Ridge - thanks

Letter to W.K.S. Scholar Mai Zin Zin Wah and including W.K.S. leaflet and copy of Newsette regarding the Australian teachers waiting to meet her on her entry to Trinity College.

#### **4. Special Days Convenor - Val Van de Wiel**

World Community Day Service draft copy was presented and accepted by National Executive. Secretary to contact Margaret Watson concerning some minor alterations. Master Copies will be forwarded shortly.

## 5. Publications - Major Miriam Pratt

No report

Reports were received on the motion of Ina Collard s. Terry Reeves.

### General Business

#### WORLD COMMUNITY DAY PROJECT 1999

##### Projects received

1. Mrs Betty Pike's role at Narama  
"Betty is working jointly with the Roman Catholic Church and the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress, two days a week, to help to bring healing and provide for the spiritual needs of her people. Through this work Betty will promote reconciliation between Aborigines and Non Aborigines
2. Exodus Foundation, Ashfield Sydney  
"Exodus Foundation provides meals 6 days a week to ANYONE who is hungry over 300 meals a day. Financial aid - relief for rent, medical expenses, telephone bills etc. Large parcel of food is available - 5000 names on list. A special school, behind the church has been set up to assist 11-13 year olds at school, especially with numeracy and literacy skills.
3. Australian Service Nurses National Memorial - a memorial to Australian Nurses, having served in the Boer War, First and Second Worlds, Korea, Malaya, Vietnam, Gulf War, United Nations Peace Forces and other Missions in Somalia, Cambodia and Rwanda. Has received a grant of \$100.00 from ~~\$100.00.00~~ commonwealth Government - total estimated cost two million dollars.

After much discussion and consideration the National Executive agreed that they recommend the **EXODUS FOUNDATION, ASHFIELD SYDNEY** as the World Community Day Project for 1999.

National Executive decision to be ratified by State/Territory Units.

The National Executive met after lunch to discuss business for the National Conference.

The meeting was closed with Prayer.

**Next Meeting:** Friday 7th May 1999 (not 14th May 1999)

Devotions - Terry Reeves

Hostess - Averil Jell

*A. Guortensen*

Date. *7.1.5.99*

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Meeting held Catholic Women League Centre - 9th April 1999

CORRESPONDENCE

INWARDS

- 16.3.99 1. International Committee Fellowship of the Least Coin - Newsletter
- 2. Jean Roberts - S.A. Unit - Thank you letter re New Years Honour Awards.
- 18.3.99 3. Nungalinga College - Newsletter
- 4. NSW Unit - Minutes Council Meeting 15th February 1999 - Letter re National President's visit.
- 5. NSW Unit - Edith Ridge - World Community Day Project - Exodus Foundation, Ashfield Sydney.
- 22.3.99 6. ACT Unit - President Evonne Sullivan - World Community Day Project - Australian Nurses National Memorial
- 25.3.99 7. Qld Unit - Minutes February Meeting
- 8. N.E.W.S. - Newsletter
- 9. CWLC Secretariat - Newsletter
- 29.3.99 10. Australians for Reconciliation - NSW - Footsteps
- 11. S.A. Unit - Minutes meeting 12.3.99
- 1.4.99 12. YWCA - Women & Tax Reform
- 8.4.99 13. Print Point - Treasurer Joan Trudgian - Fwd
- 14. ACT Unit - Newsletter
- 15. N.E.W.S. - Newsletter
- 16. Women's Reconciliation Network NSW - Spirit Event May 24th 1999
- 17. Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation - Walking Together
- 18. N.C.W of Australia - President - Fwd.
- 19. Attorney-General Department - President Fwd.
- 20. Centrelink - President - Fwd.
- 21. PO Box 248 Villawood NSW - President Fwd.

OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. Mrs Jean Roberts - S.A. Unit - re New Year Award OAM
- 2. Mrs Audrey Banks - Vic Unit Secretary - re Mission Statement
- 3. Mrs Jean Roberts - S.A. Unit Secretary - re Fellowship Day Service 2000
- 4. Ms Gracia Baylor - N.C.W national President - re funding Millennium Conference 2001

**AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN NATIONAL EXECUTIVE**  
**TREASURER'S REPORT TO 1ST APRIL, 1999**

Balance as at 26th February

\$ 6,276.73

Deposits

**EXPENDITURE**

Govt. Tax for February	7.10
Portensen - UNIFEM Breakfast	38.00
Air fare to Sydney	243.40
Expenditure - Petty Cash, Photocopying, Postage	58.78
Conference Postage	8.00
Van de Weil - Printing for Fellowship Day	52.40
Postalia Post - Rental of mail box	45.00
Point, Aust. W.K. Scholarship leaflets	400.00
Tippen - Postage of W.K.S. leaflets	72.75

<u>\$925.43</u>	<u>925.43</u>
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Balance at 1st March *APRIL*

\$5,351.30

O/S Cheques	72	\$400.00
	70	\$ 52.40

452.40

Balance as per B/S 1st March

\$5,803.70

*COMMONWEALTH*

Balance at Westpac A/C	5,351.30
Bank Deposit due 28/4/99	5,209.00
21/4/99	<u>5,114.02</u>

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\$15,674.32

**MARY OF DESIGNATED FUNDS**

Administration	5,420.25
National Conf & Travel Fund	7,792.44
Seas Conference & Travel Fund	2,289.97
	79.30
Community Day	92.36

\$15,674.32

Trudgian  
National Treasurer