



AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

Minutes of Meeting held Monday 22 April 2003 at 76 Abernethy Rd Belmont

The meeting commenced at 10am.

Chair Leila Wilson (1st Vice President) to 10.30; Lee Edwards (President) 10.30-11.45 ;
Barbara Bourhill (2nd Vice President) 11.45 onwards.

Present Barbara Bourhill (from 11.45), Phillis Dolling, Lee Edwards, Margaret Ker (from 11.45), Leeola Loughnan, Marie Majoor, Sheila Mellar, Laurel Pearce, Janet Watts, Leila Wilson (absent 10.30- approx 12 noon for medical appointment).

Apologies Olive Dell. Barbara Bourhill and Margaret Ker were unable to be present until 11.45 as they were attending a funeral in their respective capacities of State Vice President and Archdiocesan President of Catholic Women's League.

Devotions In the absence of Olive Dell Laurel Pearce led devotions, from William Cairns *Conversational Prayers* based on Psalm 92: 1-4.

Minutes of Previous Meeting Acceptance moved Laurel Pearce, seconded Janet Watts.

Business Arising Correspondence Inward Item 13: Merylin Lucas unable to run bookstall but willing to help at service. Books to be supplied from Uniting Church Resource Centre, Phillis and Marie to be in charge. Item 25: No further information from YWCA re Brisbane Conference.

Correspondence List attached.

Inward

Item 18: Copies of ACWC Liturgy to be sent to all Units.

Item 19: It was decided after discussion to forward to Pat Walker and to Yasuko Nakayama ACWC Treasurer the following recommendation: that offerings from World Community Day Special Project allocated to Asian Church Women's Conference that 25% be allocated to the Signature Campaign which is expressing our solidarity with ACWC. The remaining 75% to continue to be used as at present by ACWC.

Item 27A; Letter from Eunice Reidy not numbered.

Item 37 : It was decided to take Signature Campaign forms to World Community Day service to be signed by those attending.

Item 41: A card to be sent to Nancy Lin regarding the death of her Mother-in-law.

Acceptance of inward correspondence/ acceptance of outward correspondence moved Phillis, seconded Sheila.

REPORTS

President report written by Leila Wilson at request of Lee Edwards.

Correspondence inward

February Barbara Grealy: SA Honours List

Kath Pearce :Tasmanian Honours List. Both forwarded to AWC

12 March Victorian Unit re visit

13 March South Australian Unit re visit and AWC

27 March ACT Unit re Accident

30 March NSW Unit re AWC proposal

21 April Pat Walker re Nancy Lin

Letter from New South Wales suggesting next representative on Australian Women's Coalition be selected at National Conference. Leila to draft letter to all Units.

Registration forms printed. Information on Prayer Partners included.

Correspondence Inward Item 13; Uniting Church Bookshop will provide stall.

Australian Women's Coalition: Laurel following up on Poverty project.

Lee received requested information on Honours List.

Lee attended most enjoyable meeting at Castlemaine.

Most enjoyable afternoon spent with Lynette Green.

Wording for Government House Civic Reception should read 'Morning Tea'.

Barbara Bourhill and Margaret Ker arrived at this point and took over chairing/ minuting the meeting.

The remainder of the President's Report dealt with organisational matters relating to the National Conference.

The meeting adjourned for lunch from approximately 12.30 until 1pm.

Australian Women's Coalition (AWC) (Lee Edwards)

Lee summarised current projects of Coalition and spoke about new project focussing on poverty. Laurel Pearce expressed some concern about the scope of this project.

Vice Presidents Nothing to report.

Secretary Nothing to report.

Treasurer Report attached.

Publicity/ Publications (Phillis Dolling)

- Phillis has circulated information re conference.
- Newsletter deadline as soon as possible.

Fellowship of the Least Coin No report.

Winifred Kiek Scholarship/ Trust (Janet Watts)

Correspondence inwards: Judith Cayzer, Jan Roberts, Shirley Brooks, Elaine Johnson, Margaret Greenslade,.

Email from Christina(Hong Kong) re possible visit and asking for any projects needing prayers (prayer partner), Pat Walker, Fran Moss.

Outwards: Christina(2), Jean Thomson, Pat Walker, Margaret Greenslade, State Convenors (request to prepare reports for Conference).

Postage \$119.05 reimbursed. \$11.45 in hand.

Business: Need to ascertain whether Christina can come. Janet to seek further information on situation re SARS.

Special Days (Marie Majoor)

- All convenors to send in reports.
- Letter received from ACW Victorian Unit endorsing 2 projects.
- Letter received from Olga Scott (ACT) approving 2 projects and asking whether guidelines for Special Projects have been finalised. It was confirmed that these had been sent.

Social Justice (Laurel Pearce)

- Laurel has written to all State Units requesting input for AWC project on Access/ Equity.

ACWC Pat Walker's email to be included in newsletter.

General Business

Further discussion re Conference planning.

Meeting closed 3.05 pm.

Next Meeting: Monday 19 May. Morning tea : Leila. Devotions: Marie.

Minutes prepared by Margaret Ker 90 Vincent St Mt. Lawley WA 6050. Thanks to National Secretary Leeola Loughnan for providing notes of meeting to 11.45am.

CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS 2003

1. 18/3 ACW NSW Jan Harrison – thanking Leeola for telephone call re Australian Women’s Coalition appointment.
2. 18/3 ACWC Pat Walker – Email re adding your voice against war in Iraq now.
3. 18/3 Australian Bureau of Statistics – Census Data at your fingertips.
4. 18/3 ACW VIC – Anne Murray – advising ‘Australian Women Speak 2003’ – information and request that ACW have a representative in Canberra for the Conference – advised that ACW ACT were representing us. Also Barbara Lacy and Anne attended the launch of ‘Faith, Hope, Charity – Australian Women and Imperial Honours 1901-1989.
5. 18/3 Working Together – Evangelical Alliance Issue 1 – 2003.
6. 18/3 ACW VIC News – February/March 2003.
7. 18/3 Nungalinya News February 2003.
8. 21/3 Catholic Women’s League Australia Inc – Newsletter Issue 5 2003.
9. 25/3 ACW National Phillis Dolling – publicity information for National Conference October 2003.
10. 25/3 Mothers’ Union Australia – advising choir not available for National Conference.
11. 26/3 ACWC Pat Walker – email from Church Women Alliance for Anti-War and Peace, Korea, requesting prayers and thanking Pat for sending a ‘solidarity message’ for the ‘United Prayers Against War’.
12. 26/3 Pat Walker to Shu Wen, Secretary ACWC advising of Lee’s fall, speaking at the SA Unit re the Assembly in Korea, World Day of Prayer, National Conference in October.
13. 26/3 Shu Wen to Pat, thanking her for the update of information re Australia and congratulating Pat on keeping ACWC informed.
14. 27/3 Barbara Lacy – greetings, brochure on Hong Kong Women’s Council, will send to Leeola.
15. 27/3 Jean Thomson to Janet Watts re visit of Christina to National Conference.
16. 28/3 ACW TAS Minutes of meeting held 3rd February 2003.
17. 29/3 Rev Moon-Sook Lee, Church Women in Solidarity for Peace against War. Thank you for prayers, request emails to the President and National Assembly urging them to not dispatch troops to Iraq. Webmaster@president.go.kr and eng@assembly.go.kr
18. 29/3 Pat Walker – Liturgy of Asian Church Women’s Conference Day, 2003, “We are all God’s Children”
- 29/3 Pat Walker – advising her travel arrangements to Tokyo 21/6 to 26/6 – cost \$1685.00 plus insurance \$108. Also Yasuko’s reply requesting information on how ACW members react to Signature Campaign, Partners, Pledge, Endowment Fund, etc.
20. 30/3 Nungalinya College Darwin – thanking all members for donation from Special Project. Copy sent to all Units.
21. 31/3 ACW QLD Minutes of meeting held 24th February 2003.
22. 31/3 Lee Edwards – name and address for Uniting Church Adult Fellowship representative.
23. 04/4 Forward Together no.9 March 2003 – National Council of Women of Australia.
24. 04/4 Lee Edwards – AWC – Osteoporosis Paper.
25. 05/4 Pat Walker – photo of Christina in ACWC Bulletin.
26. 06/4 Lee Edwards – re information on pre and post Conference tours.
27. 06/4 Pat Walker to Shu Wen – a write-up on Pat’s experiences when living at Balgo, North Western Australia.
07/04 Eunice Reidy – names, addresses on Churches of Christ National President and Secretary, based in Western Australia for invitation to National Conference. Much appreciated by Secretary.
28. 06/4 Barbara Lacy to Pat Walker re New South Wales has a ACWC representative on their executive.
29. 08/4 Barbara Lacy re Shunila Ruth’s 2002 Annual Report on Talitha Kumi Welfare Centre. Secretary advises that emails have come through but the text is unreadable. Email has been sent to Shunila Ruth advising of this.
30. 08/4 ACW SA Minutes of meeting held 14th March 2003.
31. 08/4 ACW ACT Newsletter April – May – June 2003,. Congratulations to Jean Hambley on her first message as President of ACW ACT Unit.
32. 09/4 Janet Watts – requesting info on bags for Conference, plus Merylin Lucas is unable to supply books for Conference.
33. 10/4 ACW VIC Minutes of meeting held 28th February 2003.
34. 10/4 Australian Women’s Coalition News Sheet March 2003 – sent to all Units.
35. 14/4 Lee Edwards – advising Barbara Bourhill to be Chairperson at meeting on April 22nd, Lee may be late due to her ill health.
36. 15/4 Lee Edwards – info on Consensus Method at National Conference.
37. 16/4 Pat Walker – re Guidelines on page 29 about ACWC – Signature Campaign is very important – Pat suggests all Units have members sign the card and send in when monies are sent – a show of solidarity. Also comment on how much is paid by different countries. Secretary will print Pat’s comments on next circular – Pat believes that the Guidelines are out of date.
38. 17/4 Pat Walker – in answer to Secretary’s comments re monies sent to ACWC – SA members donate \$1 at each meeting to ACWC – perhaps other Units could do so. Secretary advised that WA Unit already donates at each meeting towards a ‘cakeless cake stall’.
39. 19/4 Christian World Service – National Council of Churches in Australia – requesting donation towards Joint Emergency Appeal for Iraq.
40. 19/4 Unifem News March 2003.
41. 21/4 Shu-Wen, Secretary ACWC advising of the death of Nancy’s mother in law.

CORRESPONDENCE OUTWARDS:

1. 24/3 YWCA – Conference – The Summit to be held in Brisbane – info on attendance of one day attendees.
2. 14/4 Revd Eira Clapton – re Bible Studies Leader for National Conference.
3. 14/4 Midland Bus Company – requesting a quote on bus hire for different activities for National Conference.

A.C.W. NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 18-3-03 TO 22-4-03

<u>ADMINISTRATION A/c</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>BALANCE 17-3-02</u>	<u>BALANCE 22</u>
200 CIRCLE OF PRAYER @ \$1.50 EACH	300-00		5872-29	
* \$50 " " " @ \$1.30 EACH	65-00			
PETTY CASH		200-00		
POSTAGE		208-60		
PRINTING		550-00		
N.E.C. ECUMENICAL FRIENDS (YEARLY SUB)		66		5212-69
<hr/>				
<u>WINIFRED KIEK SCHOLARSHIP A/c</u>				
W.K. MEMORIAL BURSARY BOOK	15-00		NIL	15-00

MONIES HELD

NATIONAL TRAVEL	1604-86
OVERSEAS "	500-00
NATIONAL CONFERENCE	1957-97
OVERSEAS "	3818-10

F.L.C. }
 W.C.D. } NIL BALANCES
 A.C.W.C. }

* DUE TO CHANGE OF TREASURER, ONE OF OUR STATE UNITS MISHAID THIS A/C, ISSUED IN JUNE 2002, WHEN CIRCLE OF PRAYER BOOKS WERE \$1.30 EACH