



**AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN
NSW STATE UNIT INC.**

***Minutes of Council Meeting, Monday 16TH November 2020
10.30 am, 2/162 Corrimal Street, Wollongong and by Teleconference***

OPENING: Peg McEntee opened the meeting at 12.00 noon.

DEVOTION: Peg commented for those using teleconference, that on the table she had arranged a bible, a candle, and a red poppy to recognise Remembrance Day on 11/11. The bible is special as it is a Defence Force bible belonging to Peg's grandson serving in the air force. Peg prayed for those past and present working and serving for Australia. President Tricia Graham's daughter is also a serving officer in the Defence Forces.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the Council Meeting of 17th February 2020, were confirmed on the motion of Lyn Middleton and Seconded by Moya Potts. Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

1. **Constitution Review:** Ratification of Special Resolution which was passed by ACW NSW Inc. Executive on 21st September 2020, by electronic ballot.

Rule 10

Annual General Meetings may be conducted using technology so that each attendee is able to see and/or hear all other attendees. Attendees present in any such meeting using technology shall be deemed to be physically present for the meeting.

Special General Meetings may be conducted using technology so that each attendee is able to see and/or hear all other attendees. Attendees present in any such meeting using technology shall be deemed to be physically present for the meeting.

From Department of Fair Trading

Until 26 September 2020, associations may conduct committee meetings and general meetings using technology and pass ordinary and special resolutions by either postal or electronic ballot even if this isn't stipulated in their constitutions. Members must still have an opportunity to participate in meetings using technology

Elizabeth moved that the above Special Resolution be ratified and be added as Rule 10 to the Constitution. Seconded by Rae Goth. Carried.

REPORTS:

Treasurer: Pat Cory spoke about deposits being made electronically without any information of where they came from. After discussion some of the deposits were identified.

Pat presented Statements of Receipts and Payments from 1st March – 31st August 2020, and 1st September – 31st October 2020.

Total Income March to August \$915.68; Total Payments March – August \$601.05.

Total Income September to October \$885.05; Total Payments \$253.52

Credit Balance at Bank 31st October 2020: \$4695.23.

Accounts to be paid: Reimburse I. Hewitt – Newsette Postage & Printer Ink: \$161.49;

National Submission ?; Department of Fair Trading \$47.00; Petty Cash \$44.00.

Pat moved that the Financial Report be accepted and the accounts be paid, Seconded by Helen Richardson. Carried

REPORTS: Conveners' Reports for Special Days and Winifred Kiek Scholarship were circulated prior to the meeting. For further information see November Newsette.

Correspondence – Inwards

Lynette Green re Prayer for Malaysia

PPSEAWA – Minutes of 26th February

SPAN -PWA March 2020

20/3 M. Dredge Message of Encouragement

16/4 Letter from Dept. Fair Trading

Correspondence – Outwards

PWA President – re appointment of President 2021

17/3 T. Graham to NSW Executive re cancellation of meetings and postponement of Dedication Service

24/3 Message to Members of NSW Unit from P.

McEntee

29/4 NE Draft Results of Survey
 1/5 Liza Lamas – FLC Updates
 6/5 Margaret Gregory re Rev. Miriam Cotton
 13/5 NE Minutes 21/4
 21/5 L. Green – prayers for Indonesia & Philippines
 30/5 R. Pitman ICFLC Grants
 3/7 Donna Bryan Website news
 8/7 R. Pitman NE Minutes 16/6 and Discussion Paper
 SPAN -PWA June 2020
 25/8 Uniting Church re Meeting dates 2021
 31/8 NE Minutes 18/8
 19/10 L. Jones,UCAF re resignation of Denise Secomb
 28/10 Jo De Groot, resignation
 3/11 M. Wall, re WCD service
 13/11 Lynette Green prayer request
 14/11 D. Secomb response to 3/11 letter

4/4 to NE Re Special Project Sleep Bus
 4/5 Response from P. McEntee to NE President
 13/5 From L. Middleton to NE RE Special Project 2019
 1/6 to Helen Hill re resignation from ACW
 2/8 to Donna Bryan thanks for Website prayers for July
 16/8 NE comments on discussion paper
 24/8 Uniting Church Meeting dates 2020
 19/10 L. Jones re Denise Secomb resignation
 28/10 Jo de Groot re resignation
 9/11 Response to M. Wall re WCD service
 3/11 to D. Secomb thanking her for service to ACW

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Closing of Sutherland Branch: Tricia Graham moved a Vote of Thanks to Brenda Dickinson and Branch Members of Sutherland, seconded by Heather Reid.

Lyn Middleton spoke about Sutherland Branch and remembered those who had been active members such as Peg Blake, Normal Dumbrell and Mina Whybourne. Peg commented that those from the Sutherland area will be very welcome to join in with the Illawarra Branch to celebrate the Special Day services.

2. 2021 Calendar: The booking for the meetings for 2021 has been made with Uniting Church Synod office but is still to be confirmed. Elizabeth will circulate information as soon as it comes to hand.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: 15th February, 2020 The location and method of meeting is unknown at this stage.

CLOSE OF MEETING: There being no further business, the meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer at 1.00 pm. Those present then enjoyed lunch and a time to chat on Peg's balcony.