

Minutes of the Meeting held in the Board Room, Bible House
on Friday, October 30th 1951.

The President, Mrs Farr was in the chair, and opened the meeting with a Bible Reading and prayer. There were thirty members present.

A Welcome was extended to Mrs Chalworth, Terry, Jarvis & wife guests of the Baptist Church.

Apologies were received from Messieurs Sydenham Payten, Pattison & Palmer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read - confirmed on the motion of Mrs Baldwin and seconded by Mrs Wheeler. Sept 26th.

The Secretary gave a report on Community Day & in brief summarized the suggestions of the study groups - These related to the question of working together in the Churches - what more can we do? - within the Council, & in our own Churches. The following were submitted to the Council for future discussion 1) What more can we do to promote better understanding - more knowledge & more appreciation of each other's churches.

a) In the sharing of literature - b) holding ecumenical evenings in each other's homes. 2) To meet together once or twice a year for prayer & bible study. 3) Hold more combined Church services. 4) support the World Council of Churches more 5) to encourage the forming of more Inter-Church Committees

Mrs Wheeler expressed appreciation of the report. A financial statement for Community Day showing a balance of 8/5 was handed over to Mrs McDonald. Mrs Gillan presented the report on Button Day, October 9th. 7 collectors had manned given by their services on the day together with the money raised by individual collecting by all members £64 was realized. A sum at the Lycenn Club was much appreciated as was the service of the Bank - in counting the money raised.

Mrs Miller reported for the Hostel Committee that a further £100 had been paid off the mortgage, £225 had been received from the Gillespie Trust, the overdraft had now been reduced to £1590.

Owing to the opening of a new wing at the Tremayne Hostel, some of the girls in residence at Hy Salena had given notice & had causing some financial embarrassment, because their places could not be filled so late in the term. The Council agreed that there should be some safeguard against a similar occurrence. This matter was to be discussed in full at the next Hostel Committee meeting to be held on November 13th.

Reporting for the Appeals Committee Mrs Miller said that all necessary planning arrangements for the forthcoming Fete in April '62 were in hand; all members were asked to support - pieces of material for aprons were shown to the Council.

All Christmas Cards had been sold - 1000 this year. The Society congratulated the Appeals Committee.

The far left presented the sub-committee's report on 'The growing menace of the Poll Tax machine'. The Council expressed its appreciation to the sub committee for the work they had done in the preparation the report & in their willingness to arrange distribution to key groups & representative groups - CWA - National Council etc. Mrs Miller moved that all women's organisations should receive the report. Miss McDonald proposed an amendment - to postpone action until the next year end or ^{next} a suitable time. We need to send out the information & express our feelings & to leave other groups to decide what they should do.

Amendment incorporated into first motion - carried. Sub committee Executive to have the authority of the Council to decide on distribution. Correspondence. Invitation from the Australia & New Zealand Congress for International Cooperation and Disarmament - Preparing Committee, 23rd September.

Moved by Miss Eastaway, seconded by Miss McDaniels that in the event of the I.C.C. receiving an invitation to the luncheon organised by the Congress on November 18th - a letter of explanation should be sent, accepting on behalf of The Baptist & Miss Armstrong, as individuals, but not as representatives of the Council. It was felt by the Council that while we needed to withhold sponsorship - we should not refuse to support ^{an} any effort for peace & disarmament until we were convinced that politically it was unwise to do so.

A letter from The Revd. Mr. Pelt, Secretary of the Victorian I.C.C. was read & the order of service for Community Day, November 13th, was passed around. It was agreed that greetings should be sent.

The Financial Statement showing a credit balance of £8. 14s 8d was presented by Miss McDaniels, moved and seconded by Mrs. Hawkeson carried.

Proposed
Moved by Miss McDaniels, moved by Miss Eastaway, seconded by Mrs Farlick that the Secretary should have an impress of £1 for postage etc. carried.

Mr. Farr informed the Council that ^{the} Baptist Women's Federation would be asked to nominate next year's President. The Methodist Church had previously agreed to nominate ^{the} ^{new and} president in 1961.

November's Council meeting, proposed an open ^{hall} held in the interest of the Christmas Bowl appeal - there could be a 'Bring along stall' - a time of fellowship - basket lunch - tea in the Social Hall -

Moved by Mrs French, seconded by Mrs Walker - carried.

February's Council meeting, agreed to be held in the Board Room, Bible House, as opportunity to visit Wyfolden would be afforded later in the year - when the fete would be held there in April. Interesting reports were given by the Council's representatives to the following:

Committees - Mrs Stoez - National Council of Women
 Mrs Pearson - Good Neighbour Council
 Major Glenman Television-Film Council of NSW.
 Mrs Yule Youth Temperance Committee
 Mrs Carpenter Inter Church Aid.
 Mrs Walker W.C.T.U.
 Mrs Faalick Prison Reform

Announcement: Wesley Chapel Friday 13th November 10.30 am
 Miss Rita Snodden

As there was no further business the meeting closed with
 the benediction.

R.C. Fair 27/11/59

N.S.W. WOMEN'S INTER-CHURCH COUNCIL
Financial Statement to 30th October, 1959.

<u>RECEIPTS.</u>	<u>£ s. d.</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE.</u>	<u>£ s. d.</u>
By Credit Balance, 28th August, 1959,	6 3 7	To Expenses of Entertainment of Migrants:-	
" Affiliation Fee, 1959/60, Presbyterian Women's Assn.	1 1 .	(Hire of City Mission Hall	3 5 .
" Donations to entertainment of newly naturalised Migrants from Churches represented on Council	7 . .	(and Crockery	
" Sale of cake at function	12 9	(Cost of Catering	4 2 8
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" Associate Membership Fee 1959/60-Mrs. A. Lesslie	5 .	" Credit Balance, as per Pass Book,	8 14 8
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