

A U S T R A L I A N      C H U R C H      W O M E N .

MINUTES OF WORKING COMMITTEE MEETING.

Held at Christian Welfare Centre, Perth, at 10.15 on Friday, 1st October, 1976.

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PRESENT: Dorothy Wacker (Chairman), Vera Dean (Secretary), Jean Banyard (Treasurer)  
Isobel Macintyre, Beryl Warr, Marjorie Scurlock, Carmel Downey, Vera  
Wilson, Norma Ellis.

APOLOGY: Peg Eaton.

OPENING WORSHIP: Dorothy Wacker opened the meeting with Bible Reading and Prayer,  
using words of the Apostle Paul, expressing his faith.

MINUTES: Minutes of the previous meeting, held on 3rd September, 1976, having been  
circulated, were taken as read and confirmed, subject to alteration of  
the date on Page 3, Finance, to read : "Receipts : To balance at 31.7.76".

BUSINESS ARISING:

1. Week of Prayer for World Peace : 24th-31st October:

Information has been received and it was noted that various religious  
faiths are involved.

It was suggested that some of the thoughts expressed on the pamphlet and  
the Prayer of Dedication and/or Prayer of St. Francis, be publicised  
through "The West Australian".

2. Force 10 Follow-up:

Rev. Brian & Jill Polkinghorne will take part in church services in W.A.  
on Sunday, 3rd October, and will speak about their work at Kilacha,  
Tanzania.

3. Y.W.C.A. Representative:

Still to be contacted by Vera Wilson.

CORRESPONDENCE: Outward:

1. Secretary, Women's Inter-Church Council of Victoria - thanks for donation  
towards postage, plus report.
2. Secretary, Women's Inter-Church Council of N.S.W., re publicity material -  
copies of constitution not available at present.
3. Secretary Queensland Unit - question of uniting churches under discussion.
4. General Secretary A.C.C. - thanks for copies of Brisbane address.
5. Mrs. Ralph re Commission on Faith & Order & thanks for donation postage.
6. Mrs. McKenzie re N.C.M. & the Thai Student in Darwin.

Inward:

1. Secretary, Queensland Unit - suggesting that Australian Women would wish  
F.L.C. funds to be given to more needy countries.
2. Churches of Christ Federal Secretary - name of new President & Secretary.
3. Secretary, N.S.W. Women's I.C. Council - Mrs. Betty Davis is a member of  
Victorian Council. Mrs. Davis gave an interesting account to the Victorian  
Council of her visit to Fiji, also news of 2 former scholars (W.K.S.)  
Miss Mitchell to be asked to obtain from Mrs. Betty Davis a report to be  
published in "Women at Work"
4. Secretary, Tasmanian Unit - 4 members will be present at N.C.M. Will  
mention "Week of Prayer" to all members.

It was agreed that the outward correspondence be confirmed and the  
inward correspondence be received.

FELLOWSHIP OF THE LEAST COIN: Vera Wilson reported as follows :

Correspondence : Inward :

1. Doreen Strack re account for "Circle of Prayer", Vol. 6.
2. Rose Gurupatham - cheque for "Circle of Prayer", Vol.6. (24 copies)

Correspondence : Outward :

1. W.C.C. Dept. of Finance & Administration, enclosing cheque for  
\$4195.20. (Sterling) for F.L.C.
2. Gwenda Murchland re F.L.C. Policy.

WINIFRED KIEK SCHOLARSHIP: An apology was received from Jean Vincent, in Derby  
until the end of October.

Letters have been received from :

1. Miss Supaporn Kongphrom: requesting that she be able to take up her  
scholarship in 1978.

Jean Vincent to reply as follows : Because of the special personal  
circumstances, the scholarship may be taken up in 1978, if used for

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Winifred Kiek Scholarship (cont'd) :

the course she originally requested. Study for an M.A. is not possible because of the length of the study time required and difficulties re the course desired. Reply by 30th November to be requested.

2. Rev. F. Balchin : thanks for book allowance and enclosing receipt re Jennifer Yeo, who is now in Taiwan, ready to commence her course.
3. Miss Chia Yoke Lin : re application for W.K.S., posted in February, 1976, but not received.  
Reply to indicate that we have not received her application and the scholarship has been awarded. There is a rare possibility that she could be considered, if she could re-submit her application by 30th November. If other opportunities are available, we recommend that she accept them. 4. Mrs. McKenzie, enclosing Darwin's offering for W.K.S.

A.C.W.C. : Asian Women's Forum, May, 1977.

Delegates : Working Committee Members to make enquiries re possible participants (as follows) and report to next meeting:

Vera Wilson - Terryl Fraser and Diane Craig.  
Marjorie Scurlock - Adele Thomas.  
Vera Dean - Robin Cordwell.  
Dorothy Wacker - Helen Parkin and Angela Wilson.  
Norma Ellis - Margaret Zayan.

- A.C.C. : The following news-sheets and publications were considered briefly :
- Churches strongly criticise Government cuts in funds for Aborigines and urge support for land rights.
  - Church Conference calls for Moratorium on Uranium Mining.
  - In Unity Magazine.
  - Churches shocked at Korean jailings.
  - Government undecided on major new Trade Reforms.
  - Spiritual Movement overcomes Religious prejudice. Australian church leader returns from Ireland.
  - Third World News.
  - Christian Education News.
  - Minutes of A.C.C. Meetings in Brisbane.

"WOMEN AT WORK" : Items of news for inclusion in "Women at Work" were considered.

SPECIAL DAYS : Marjorie Scurlock reported as follows :

\$200.00 was received from the collections taken at the Fellowship Day Service in Wesley Church, Perth. Busselton's collection amounted to \$50.00. The Community Day Service will be held in St. George's Cathedral on Friday, 29th October, at 11. am. The Rev. Dorothy Wacker will give the address. Tea will be provided in the Burt Hall, members being asked to bring a basket lunch, and a panel discussion will follow. 85 copies of the Order of Service have been sent to Busselton. Busselton's service will be held in the Roman Catholic Church. 40 copies have been sent to Bunbury. There will be no service in East Claremont this year.

Northern Territory : Maisie McKenzie phoned from Darwin requesting 110 copies of the Order of Service for World Community Day - these were not available and the cutting of fresh stencils would have proved costly. It was found possible to send 65 copies to Darwin with a friend who was returning there.

Correspondence: Letters have been received from :

1. Maisie McKenzie, acknowledging service sheets.
2. Miss Stevenson, Alice Springs, acknowledging 3 copies orders of service.
3. Mrs. Connell, copy of Queensland's service.
4. Miss Skiller, requesting 10 service leaflets.

Themes for the 1977 services will be available before the end of 1976. The Working Committee will be responsible for producing the Fellowship Day service and it was agreed that Anglican Women of W.A. be asked to prepare the World Community Day Service, including leaders and young people of the G.F.S.

Theme for Community Day ? : Build the Bridges : to be reconsidered next meeting.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS :

1. Forum of Church Women : the next function to be held on November 30th at St. Andrew's at 5.30 pm. Booking of hall to be confirmed by Vera Dean. Vera Wilson to arrange for printing of 200 invitations.

National Committee Meetings (cont'd) :

2. Programme for N.C.M. : The committee's report concerning the possible agenda and programme was discussed and this committee will meet again and report to the next Working Committee meeting, with details to be confirmed.

FINANCE :

1. It was agreed that the following Financial Report be received :

Statement of Receipts & Expenditure for month ended 30.9.1976:Receipts :Expenditure:

To balance at 1.9.76. \$9,389.77

Fellowship of Least Coin:

N.S.W. Inter-Ch.Council

"Circle of Prayer"booklets. 90.00

A.C.C. - S.A.Unit "Circle of Prayer" booklets. 54.00

Memorial Bursary:

Transfer: Jennifer Yeo -

Book Bursary. 50.00

Winifred Kiek Scholarship:

Transfer: Jennifer Yeo

Book Bursary 50.00

Sarrah Ah You: Book

Bursary 50.00

Fellowship Day:

Northern Territory Unit: 53.42.

N.C.M. Special Fund:

Donation: D.Wacker. 20.00

Administration & General:

Donation : M.Ralph 5.00

Balance at 30.9.76 9,557.19

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<u>Summary of Balances:</u>	<u>Fellowship of Least Coin:</u>	673.69
	Winifred Kiek Scholarship	3,502.75
	Memorial Bursary Fund	204.55
	Fellowship Day	3,100.68
	World Community Day	288.30
	Overseas Conferences	816.26
	N.C.M. Special Fund	20.00
	Administration & General:	945.96
		<u>\$9,552.19</u>

2. F.L.C."Circle of Prayer" Booklets - Accounts to be sent where necessary.

3. It was agreed that the following amounts be paid for Petty Cash:

Vera Wilson (F.L.C.) : \$10.00, Vera Dean (Sec.) \$50.00, Jean Banyard \$10.00.

CLOSING PRAYERTIME: The meeting was closed by Dorothy Wacker with prayer at 2.00 pm.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, 5th November at 10.a.m.

It was noted that Isobel Macintyre would be away from 26.10.76 to 6.12.76.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED : \_\_\_\_\_

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