

AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN. N.S.W. UNIT.

Minutes of Council meeting 19/9/77, held at Pitt St. Uniting Church.

Present. Mrs. Lt. Cpl. Baker the President was in the chair, and members as in attendance book numbered 29.

Newcomers were welcomed, namely, visitors for branches day, Mrs. Jeffreys, Pres. Lane Cove/Longueville, Mrs. Pinchin, Sec. Roseville/Lingfield/Killara Mrs. Crookes, Sec. Lane Cove/Longueville Mrs. Morris, new member W.C.T.U., Mrs. Siefert, new member Y.W.C.A. staff member, and a welcome back to Major Venables.

Devotions, taken from 2nd Corinthians, ch. 3.

Apologies. Mrs. G. Bent, Brig. Ruth Smith, Mrs. C. Lean Mrs. W. Dougherty, Miss Blackwell, and Strathfield/Homebush branch Sec.

Minutes of the meeting 15th Aug. were read and confirmed.

Correspondence. Baptist Women's Fellowship notifying new representatives. This was received.

Finance. No statement was given, the Treasurer <sup>reported</sup> that she would present this quarterly, as the executive received one each month. Reported that \$2000 now in Investment Savings A/c, Fellowship Day reports from 19 centres, brought in in offerings \$824, approx. same as previous year. The National Travel Fund small balance has now been credited to Overseas Travel Fund, for A.C.W.C. This report was accepted.

It was indicated Deaconess Andrews would continue making shawls for anyone wishing one at \$5 plus cost of wool, - for Overseas Travel Fund.

Mrs. Stanhope conducted the Fellowship of the Least Coin reading and collection was taken. Mrs. Stanhope reported she had written to Mrs. Shanti Solomon, and indicated labels were available, to put on boxes, for individual use, as well as at an organization level, for the FLC.

"Women at Work", the Sept. issue was available, and Mrs. Baker read from it the information about the Winifred Kiek Scholars.

Publicity. Mrs. McCann reported giving information to Nat. Council of Women for newsletter, - and notices to various denominations.

Promotions. In Mrs. Lean's absence Mrs. the Secretary gave the report, and orders of World Community Day Service had been prepared by a working bee of 4 members, and distributed or posted to 10 country centres, and 12 city ones. Information had been obtained for handing on to Mrs. Lean as she takes up her duties as Promotions Convenor.

Mrs. Curtin moved and it was seconded that Mrs. Woodhouse be co-opted to the Promotions Committee.

It was resolved that all reports be accepted.

The Report from Executive stated a letter received from Mrs. Lean, and a letter of thanks to Mrs. Gilbert for <sup>her</sup> services,

It was reported that Mrs. Savage was appointed as a representative to the Women's World Day of Prayer.

In lieu of the end of year Day of Renewal, it was resolved that at the first meeting day of the New Year, 20th Feb. a Dedication and Time of Renewal Service be held in the Pitt St. Church, with Mrs. Lilian Wells as a speaker. It was reported Mrs. Wells was available that day. Members were asked to publish see the day. Major Venables to be the speaker at the November meeting.

The Secretary brought to the meeting <sup>some</sup> courses available for training, which the National Committee Meeting had recommended that members undertake. Study and Action had also been recommended in other areas and the possibility of taking part with migrant people in a special week in October was noted.

Branches Reports were given by Epping, Mrs. Green, Lindfield/Roseville/Killara branch by Mrs. DeWitt, Mrs. Morse gave St. George Branch report. The report from Lane Cove/Longueville was given by Mrs. Crookes, from Parramatta Mrs. Udy, From Turrumurra/ Wahroonga Mrs. Jessup, from Chatswood/Willoughby Mrs. Woodhouse, who also reported from Strathfield/Homebush, a phoned report from their Secretary. Sister Freney gave the Good Neighbour Council Report, Mrs. Savage the Women's World Day of Prayer, Mrs. Baker the National Council of Women, Mrs. McCann Children's Mrs. Periham thanked the Branches representatives, and Mrs. Curtin the vote of Films and T.V. thanks to the delegates who reported from other groups. There was an invitation to members for 30th Sept to the Annual meeting of the Anglican Deaconess Institution. The meeting closed with the benediction at 12:30 P.M.

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