



AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

Minutes of meeting held Monday 15 July 2002 at 76 Abernethy Rd, Belmont

The meeting commenced at 10 a.m.

Chair Lee Edwards

Present Barbara Bourhill, Olive Dell, Phillis Dolling, Lee Edwards, Margaret Ker, Leeola Loughnan, Marie Majoor, Sheila Mellar, Laurel Pearce, Janet Watts, Leila Wilson

Apologies None

Welcome Lee Edwards. Special welcome to Marie Majoor, our new Special Days Convenor. Welcome back to Laurel. News: sympathy to Janet on death of aunt (aged 104) in SA, prayers requested for Marie's aunt (age 99) who has to move from long time home, death of long time (70 years) Graceville resident. Barbara read letter from Eunice Reidy thanking for best wishes/congratulations.

Devotions Phillis Dolling: excerpts from "FLC Moves and Touches" and Circle of Prayer, on themes of listening to God and peace making and justice. Also Kaylene Manton's testimony to ACWC Thailand Assembly.

Minutes of previous meeting Amendments:

p. 1 Delete United insert Uniting (President's Report)

p. 3 (Last line of President's Report) should read "AWC will probably be separate." General Business 1. replace "Uniting Church Youth Committee" with "Ecumenical Youth Network".

With these amendments the minutes were accepted as a true and correct record.

Business Arising

- Treasurer's Report: Barbara Lacy has advised "fares" meant ACWC pays the fares for all delegates (17 countries x 4) and that receipt of the monies we are holding would be helpful to the ACWC Treasurer at this time.

Correspondence List attached

Inward

Item 6: Jan needs to make sure incoming National Executive has updated Constitution/Guidelines.

Item 8: Prayers requested for Iluminada and for Annamaney.

Item 10: Leeola's draft reply endorsed by Executive.

Item 12,13 passed to Laurel.

Reports

President (Lee Edwards)

Inward mail: FLC Messages and Reports, NSW Newsette.

Outward mail: To Evonne Sullivan and Victorian Unit.

- Discussion on possible attendance of John Henderson at National Conference decided to defer decision.
- Invitation to Lorraine Sanderson: Leeola to write inviting her to speak at opening service, which we hope to link to reception at Government House.
- Jean Porteous advised ACW NSW has become incorporated in response to worries about public liability. Item to be put in newsletter suggesting other states investigate.
- Lee is guest speaker at Fellowship Day Service at Floreat.

- Proposal: That an "Australian Church Women's Reference Committee of young women" be formed, by consultation with the Ecumenical Youth Network.

This Reference Committee

- to be made up of a minimum of 3 and maximum of 5 young women who are members of at least 3 different churches.
- to be available for consultation by the Executive when it deems a younger women's perspective would be helpful in any project, planning or decision making.

Proposal accepted.

Vice Presidents Nothing to report

Secretary Nothing to report

Treasurer's Report (Sheila Mellar) Attached

- ACWC payment: Sheila to obtain bank draft to send to ACWC Treasurer.

Publicity / Publications (Phillis Dolling)

- Newsletter Issue 3 prepared: Lee to proofread.

Fellowship of the Least Coin (Olive Dell)

- Applications forwarded to IFLC with note re lack of details on 1 project.
- Circle of Prayer booklets to Adelaide / Melbourne.
- Information received from Olive Ackland re interfaith gathering.
- Messages and Reports: to be sent to Units.
- Faith Community Nursing: final report received. Olive to write thanking and commending. Material to be included in next Circular / Newsletter.

The meeting adjourned for lunch between 12.30 and 1 P.M.

Australian Women's Coalition (Lee Edwards)

- "Non religious" criterion deleted.
- Information sought on awards to members.
- Lee has been able to link visit to AWC meeting with meeting with ACW NSW members.
- Public statements will list which organisations support.
- Operational guidelines finalised.
- Local event Lee meeting with Judith Parker 16 July. "Coming in from fringes" discussed as theme.
- Push to become incorporated body: Executive members shared Lee's concerns.
- Request from Project Officer for areas of expertise: Lee had advised range of expertise. Submission on Children in Detention noted.
- Request for ACW viewpoint on paid maternity leave: a variety of views noted.

Winifred Kiek Scholarship (Janet Watts)

- Correspondence *Inward:* Irene Farr, Anne Murray.
Outward: Judith Cayzer, Anne Murray.
 - Trustees are considering 9 applications.
 - Bursary Memorial Book: further discussion needed on guidelines.
 - Proposal: that during the term of office of the National Executive half an hour be allocated at a meeting for each convenorship for thorough discussion of portfolio
- Proposal accepted.

Special Days (Marie Majoor)

- Service booklets for World Community Day 2002 have been dispatched.

- Fellowship Day and World Community Day 2003: themes decided.
Fellowship Day: Towards Community: Empowered by Love.
World Community Day: Towards Community: Love in Action.
- Marie to write to Victorian unit advising theme for Fellowship Day, apologising for delay, and noting that unit has until November if necessary to prepare order of service.
- Marie to write to ACT unit with theme for World Community Day.
- It was confirmed that an order of service for nursing home is required.

Social Justice (Laurel Pearce)

- Correspondence *Inward*: Queensland and ACT units commending submission, sending news of local activity. NSW newsletter item noted.

ACWC (Barbara Lacy per Leeola Loughnan)

- Assembly News. Fran Moss to attend. Contract for new Executive Secretary being prepared.

General Business

1. Bringing ACW into 21st Century: See President's Report.
2. Conference news. Laurel noted that Commissioner June Kendrew is interested in attending.
3. Motion 12: Information to Executive members for consideration next meeting.
4. Motion 14: to be considered.
5. Next meeting: Monday 19 August 2002.
Devotions and Morning Tea: Olive Dell

The meeting closed at approximately 3 P.M.

Minutes confirmed:

National President

Date:

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CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS:

1. 19/6/02 Barbara Lacy – ACWC report for ACW News – forwarded onto Phillis Dolling.
2. 24/6/02 ACW VIC Minutes of meeting 26th April, 2002 and 60th Annual Report 2001-2002.
3. 24/6/02 Iluminada Domingo to Barbara Lacy – not too late for NSW to send registration forms.
4. 24/6/02 Barbara Lacy to Iluminada Domingo advising receipt of ACWC liturgy from National Executive.
5. 25/6/02 Iluminada Domingo advising not to worry about non arrival of ACWC liturgy.
6. 25/6/02 Jan Harrison – requesting copy of Constitution and Guidelines.
7. 25/6/02 ACW NSW Annual report for 2002 plus change of Office Bearers.
8. 26/6/02 Barbara Lacy forwarding email from Nancy Lin, President ACWC advising Iluminada was to have a surgical operation. Also the new Malaysian National Representative, Annamaney had a fall and broke her wrist.
9. 27/6/02 ACW QLD Minutes of meeting held 27th May.
10. 27/6/02 ACW SA re World Community Day Project – querying two projects, sufficient monies for both, advising Nungalinga College has already been a recipient. Also query re costs of Conference.
11. 28/6/02 Trudy Moore, OSW Funding Program.
12. 28/6/02 Working Together, magazine of the Australian Evangelical Alliance – Issue 2.
13. 28/6/02 Unifem News, United nations Development Fund for Women – June 2002.
14. 29/6/02 Barbara Lacy advising of Iluminada's health and greetings to Esther Byu.
15. 01/7/02 ACW SA Minutes of meeting held 14th June.
16. 01/7/02 Australian Women's Coalition June News Sheet – Operational Guidelines, Project Office, Important Dates.
17. 02/7/02 ACW Victorian Unit Newsletter No.26.
18. 04/7/02 Iluminada Domingo – advising that the ACWC 2002 liturgy had arrived.
19. 07/7/02 Barbara Lacy forwarding email from Esther Byu advising that Woranut Pantupongs' husband had died.
20. 07/7/02 ACW ACT Newsletter July, August, September.
21. 08/7/02 ACW VIC with thanks for sending badge and certificate for Eunice, advising Barbara Lacy and Jean Hughes have been appointed State Life Members, all mail to be sent to Anne Murray. *July Aug next*
22. 08/7/02 Iluminada advising her health situation.
23. 08/7/02 ACW WA Minutes of meeting held 21st June.
24. 11/7/02 Aileen Solowiej, Communications Officer of the Catholic Women's League advising United Nations Forum on Tuesday 30 July, Melbourne.
25. 12/7/02 Barbara Lacy – report to National Executive meeting 15/7/02.

CORRESPONDENCE OUTWARDS:

1. 05/7/02 Iluminada Domingo – thanking her for advising the receipt of the ACWC liturgy from National Executive.
2. 10/7/02 Circular 2002/5 to all Units, update of Unit Executives from New South Wales, Tasmania, South Australia, Victoria and Australian Capital Territory, AWC reports – April, May, June.
3. 10/7/02 World Community Day service to Special Days Convenors/Secretaries.
3. 11/7/02 Lorna English, Social Justice Convenor VIC – advising her of correspondence No.24.
4. 12/7/02 All Units – asking for advice on the receipt of the letter from 'Australians for Just Refugee Programs'.
5. 12/7/02 Jan Harrison – acknowledged her letter – copy not kept.
6. 12/7/02 Isabel Hewitt, secretary NSW, advising her of my holiday in Sydney from 26th July and delivery of books.

A.C.W. NATIONAL COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 17-6-02 To 15-7-02

<u>ADMINISTRATION A/C</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>BALANCE 17-6-02</u>	<u>BALANCE 15-7-02</u>
INTEREST INVESTMENT A/C NO. 11633	75-63		1979-77	
PETTY CASH		200-00		
PETTY CASH 56-00				
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WINIFRED KIEK SCHOLARSHIP				"
WORLD COMMUNITY DAY				"
FELLOWSHIP DAY				"
SPECIAL PROJECT				"
ACWC BULLETINS				"

MONIES HELD

ACWC	8648-20
NATIONAL TRAVEL	513-35
OVERSEAS TRAVEL	150-00
NATIONAL CONFERENCE	1959-97
OVERSEAS CONFERENCE	3568-10
W.K.S. BURSARY BOOKS.	110-00
	<u>\$14949-62</u>

ACTUAL WORKING MONIES ADMIN: A/C \$1755-40

N.B INTEREST FOR 3 MONTHS ON (\$75-63) ON \$10,000 INVESTMENT A/C
CREDITED TO ADMIN: A/C 18-6-02