

AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN - NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT THE VICTORIAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES OFFICE
ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 1995, at 10 a.m.

PRESENT: Mrs. E. Reidy (President), Mrs. M. Dodds (Secretary), Mrs. J. Stott (Vice-President), Miss D. Clack (Vice-President), Mrs. H. Banks (Treasurer), Mrs. M. Wall (F.L.C.), Mrs. J. Cooper (W.K.S.), Mrs. H. Boatman (S/Days), Major L. Green (A.C.W.C.), Mrs. B. Lacy.

WELCOME: Mrs. Reidy welcomed members and opened the meeting with a short prayer asking for blessings for a successful Conference.

MINUTES of 21/7/95 moved B. Lacy, sec. D. Clack and carried.
Business arising -
Aboriginal Consultation : Awaiting advice of travelling arrangements for Ms Anne Pattel-Gray.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT :

1. Capow FAX Sheets - List of accredited N.G.O's attending Beijing Conference - note that Australian Council of Churches listed. Paper from Amnesty International "Women in China - Imprisoned and Abused for dissent". Copies available A.I. Office.

Anti Land Mines Campaign - August 28, 1995 National Day of Action. Community Aid Abroad organising protests - ACW National Conference presentation by South Australian Unit.

2. Peak Women's Body - Contact from Kay Setches, O.S.W. is forwarding information, which it is hoped Incoming Executive and present Executive can examine at Conference. I have appointment for Saturday, August 26th to give input from ACW to Kay.

REPORTS : Finance : Report and following accounts for payment were moved H. Banks, sec. M. Wall and carried.
E. Reidy, President P/Cash \$40; M. Dodds Secretary P/Cash \$331.13; B. Lacy, Min.Secretary Conference P/Cash \$100; Travelling expenses - J. Manton \$100., L. Leach \$20., H. Clarke \$20., J. Hearne \$20.

Special Days : H. Boatman advised that South Australian Unit had agreed to prepare 1996 World Community Day order of Service.

F.L.C. : M. Wall forwarded copy of distribution of grants to Convenors unable to attend Conference. A copy of updated list of grants also sent to F.L.C. Convenors and Archivist. It is suggested that the recommended price of the special 40th Anniversary edition of Circle of Prayer be \$1.00.

A.C.W.C. : L. Green advised of team visitations in 1996, and she will advise Incoming National Executive that A.C.W.C. Secretary, Ms Iluminada Domingo, is planning a trip to Australia in 1997, and would appreciate some suggested dates.

W.K.S. : J. Cooper made contact with Dea. Frances McKechnie on her recent visit to Alice Springs. Members considered details of four suggested projects for 1996 submitted to WKTrustees by Christian World Service, National Council of Churches. J. Cooper moved that we accept the Trustee's suggestions, and these will be announced at National Conference, 2nded J. Stott and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE : M. Dodds moved that correspondence be received and dealt with as read, sec. H. Boatman, carried.

In -

1. ACW Q'land Unit: Minutes 24/7/95, Minutes Annual Mtg., Annual Reports incl. Bundaberg A. Report
2. ACW SA Unit re Land Mine issue
3. ACW SA Unit minutes 14/7/95
4. ACW WA Unit re Memorial B. Book listings
5. ACW WA Unit Minutes 14.7.95
6. ACW WA unit re Observer/Visitor status at Conf.
7. WKS Trust: cheque to J. Shearer & Nat. Treasurer (A. Pattel-Gray)
8. WKS Trust financial statements etc.
9. Major Elaine Johnson - greetings from Ghana
10. CWU in Aotearoa/NZ
11. Women with Disabilities Australia News
12. FLC Annual Report & 40th Circle of Prayer - report to M. Wall.
13. PPSEAWA
14. S. Brooks

Out -

1. Mrs Janice Shearer
2. Ms Anne Pattel-Gray
3. Mrs Edith Ridge - National Archivist
4. Working Papers for conference sent to Delegates and Observors, visitors will receive theirs on arrival.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE : 81 registrations, 71 live-in (incl. 1 spouse), Dinner 90. All aspects of the National Conference were discussed and finalised.

CLOSING DEVOTION : was led by the President, Mrs. Eunice Reidy. We reflected on an arrangement of 10 red roses in a vase - all different but complimentary to each other. Referring to Romans, we, as parts of the body of Christ, gave thanks to the Lord for the gifts and talents used by each as National Executive for the past two years. We were then each presented with one of the beautiful roses.

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