



Revised 9/7/01

## AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN NSW STATE UNIT

MINUTES of COUNCIL MEETING held at 222 Pitt Street, Sydney on Monday 23 April 2001 at 11.15 am following Annual General Meeting

In welcoming members to Council President Jan Harrison reported on the deaths of the husbands of Joan Curtin and Cela Cooper, the death of Lil Morris a former WCTU representative, and illness of Ethel Wladysiuk and Alwyn Warren.

PRESENT: 41 members as recorded

APOLOGIES: 13 as recorded

The Minutes of Meeting of Monday 19 March 2001 were confirmed on the motion of Margaret Redmond and Bev Elliott.

### BUSINESS ARISING:

1. Questionnaire - Rev Elizabeth Walker asked if there were any further comments on the summary she had presented. None were forthcoming.
  2. Annual Service of Dedication. Monday, 21 May 2001, 10.30 am St Thomas, Enfield - speaker, Sue Nitrai. Preparations well in hand. List circulated to remind members of what food they had promised to supply, suggested that others contribute to cost of tea, coffee, sugar. Help on day of service lined up.
  3. Spiritual Enrichment Day. Monday 16 July 2001 - Colleen O'Sullivan - flyers to be available for distribution Dedication Day 21 May 2001.
  4. History update - Marie Majoor reported that the copy would be proof read again before printing done by Salvation Army. Marie thanked Edith Ridge for her help with information. It is expected copies will sell for about \$1 each.
  5. ACW sponsor an Australia Day Award 2002 - still awaiting guidelines
  6. Social Issues Convener - suggestions to be made of suitable person to hold this office.
  7. State Conference - further thought needs to be given as to the form this should take. The benefits of overnight seen, but cost of this can be a deterrent to some.
  8. National Conference Adelaide 24-28 September 2001 - need for 'paper' on "Future of Australian Church Women". Request for any pointers/ideas for Executive please.
- For the Asian Church Women's Conference Quadrennial Assembly 2002, National Executive would like representatives including an indigenous woman and a young woman under 35 years of age. Suggestions from denominations welcome - nominations and profiles are requested by 29 June 2001.
9. Year 2001 International Year of Volunteers - June
  10. Fair Wear Trading

### REPORTS:

TREASURER: Report as attached was circulated. Marie moved, seconded Bev Elliott that report be received. Carried. Moved Marie and seconded Lily Hanlon that accounts be passed for payment. Carried. Marie moved, Edith Ridge seconded that money taken for the rest of the year for morning teas be earmarked for ACWC. Carried.

FUNCTIONS: Preparations for Dedication Service well in hand (see above).

MEMBERSHIP/PASTORAL CARE: Dss Heather Badgery reported on the deaths of the husbands of Joan Curtin and Cela Cooper, and of Nola Dickson's brother. Alwyn Warren's hospitalisation has been delayed to 10 May. Ethel Wladysiuk has problems with lymphoedema. Valmai Renn needs to be with her husband, and Marj Verco and Helen Stutchbury are not well enough to travel to meetings.

**PUBLICITY:** Flyers publicising Spiritual Enrichment Day to be available for day of Dedication Service 21 May 2001.

**FELLOWSHIP OF THE LEAST COIN:** Shirley Wells read from Circle of Prayer 15, Voice from Lebanon "Need for Renewal". Isaiah 40:31, II Corinthians 5:17, Ephesians 4:22-24.

**WINIFRED KIEK SCHOLARSHIP:** Edith Ridge reminded us that the scholar for this year is Celestial Lusi. The Dedication Service in May will enable us to hear Sue Nitrai who is the speaker for the occasion.

**NEWSETTE:** Beryl McLaughlin reported that Newsette is in process - has details of Women's Media "7 Steps for using Talkback Radio", and People against Drink Driving.

**SOCIAL ISSUES:** Heather Reid has had Women's Media "Hints for Talkback Radio" produced so that members can have a copy. It will also appear in Newsette.

People Against Drink Driving is an organisation seeking members - contact Bev Lowrey, 72 Blandford Street Collaroy Plateau 2097, phone 9944 0423

Leaflet on Action for Public Transport, PO Box K606, Haymarket 1240, membership \$15, concession \$8.

Acknowledgment of letter to Minister for Transport re Advisory Committee.

**ASIAN CHURCH WOMEN'S CONFERENCE:** Joan Tong reported that in September prior to National Conference it was expected to have overseas visitors passing through Sydney. It is fairly certain that Padma Ebenezer will come, but there may be others.

**SPECIAL DAYS:** Irene Carder reported that packing day is set down for Monday 28 May 2001 at 9.00 am in room 2, 5th floor.

**CORRESPONDENCE: (Inward)**

1. Jessie Street Trust Lunch - Hon. Justice Marcus Einfeld - 20/4/2001
2. ACW National Executive - Minutes March 2001; Circular 2001/13 - World Community Day Project Proposal
3. David Jones Limited - acknowledgment
4. Dame Monica Gallagher - thanks
5. ACW Victoria - February Newsletter
6. NCW - response on sponsoring, but enclosure of criteria not sent
7. ACW ACT - April to June Newsletter, Executive Directory 2001
8. Uniting Church - thanks for payment for use of meeting room
9. Asian Church Woman Bulletin January-March 2001
10. NCW Australia - changes to Board and Secretariat

**CORRESPONDENCE: (Outward)**

1. Hon P C Scully, Minister for Transport/Roads - Social Issues - Train safety
2. NCW - requesting information on Australia Day Award
3. Dame Monica Gallagher - congratulations on Papal Award

Moved Elizabeth Walker and seconded Judith Cayzer that the correspondence be received. Carried.

**PRESIDENT'S BUSINESS:**

City of Sydney Branch. Jan reported that there is a need for a committee to set up such a branch for the organisation of Fellowship Day and World Community Day next year. St James Church King Street is happy to host, and a meeting is proposed for 23 October 2001, provided someone will take responsibility.

REPORTS FROM OTHER ORGANISATIONS:

NSW ECUMENICAL COUNCIL: The Halifax-Portal Lectures will be held over 4 Tuesdays in May at 7.30 pm at Lidcombe Catholic Club.

PAN PACIFIC & SOUTH EAST ASIA WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION: Sr Marie Craddock reported on Sr Pauline Ray who speaks of the culture of peace, women's inter-faith network, helping develop the skills needed for dialogue. Marie Majoor spoke of a seminar at the YWCA Friday 18 May 2001 from 9.00 to 3.30 at a cost of \$25 to learn of Opportunity International - Micro Enterprise Development.

FUNCTIONS ATTENDED/TO ATTEND:

1. WCTU Centenary of Federation - Luncheon Monday 26 March 2001
2. Anglican Board of Mission Annual Meeting - 28/3/2001
3. MU Festival Service - 30/3/2001 - Jan to go
4. NSW Ecumenical Council - Women in Solidarity Ecumenically Day Away- 7/4/2001
5. UC Sydney Day Mission Support Group - 30/4/2001 - Sutherland
6. NCW - Jean Arnot Luncheon - 11/5/2001

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

It was agreed that we should write letters to Archbishop Peter Hollingworth on his appointment as Governor General of Australia; Dr Marie Bashir as Governor of New South Wales; and Sir William Deane as he approaches retirement from the position of Governor General of Australia. Moved Sandra Wise, seconded Norma Dumbrell. Carried.

NEXT MEETING: Monday 18 JUNE 2001, 10.00 am - Morning Tea - Churches of Christ  
Chairs - Anglican

CLOSE & BENEDICTION: President Jan Harrison gave thanks for the new Executive and also for those who have not sought re-election. She prayed for those who are not well and for the recently bereaved, including Ethel Wladysiuk, Alwyn Warren, Marj Verco, Joan Curtin, Cela Cooper, Nola Dickson, Helen Stutchbury, and closed with the Benediction.

Confirmed: J. R. Harrison

Date: 18<sup>th</sup> June 2001

**AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN (NSW STATE UNIT)**

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS  
for one month ended 31.03.01**

CR BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD 1.03.01		7670.38
<b>ADD RECEIPTS FOR ONE MONTH</b>		
Donations	0.00	
Affiliation	225.00	
Associate members	0.00	
Stock	25.00	
Newslette	65.00	
Overseas travel fund	115.90	
FLC	181.30	
Winifred Kiek S'ship	0.00	
Fellowship Day Service	0.00	
World Community Day	0.00	
Suspense Account - World Day of Prayer	336.40	<u>948.60</u>
		8618.98
<b>DEDUCT - PAYMENTS FOR ONE MONTH</b>		
Postage & phone	45.00	
UC Synod - Use of meeting rooms 2000/2001	450.00	
oundation Day Luncheon	45.00	
Suspense a/c - Tsfd to Newslette	5.00	
Government Charges	4.90	<u>549.90</u>
		\$8069.08
<b>CHEQUES FOR RATIFICATION/PAYMENT</b>		
Jean Arnot Luncheon - President	45.00	
" " " Contra	<u>45.00</u>	90.00
World Day of Prayer		336.40
NSW Ccl for Children's Films & TV - Affiliation 2001		27.50

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**Actual Balances as at 31.03.01**

	<b>31.03.01</b>	<b>28.02.01</b>
Administration-	1017.02	1336.92
Interest	69.92	69.92
Stock	2222.27	2197.27
Newslette	1561.84	1496.84
O/Seas travel	506.08	390.18
Functions Days	210.25	210.25
State Conference	780.91	780.91
F.L.C.	993.60	812.30
WKS	155.64	155.64
Fellowship Day	0.00	0.00
World Community Day	186.15	186.15
A.C.W.C. Partners	0.00	0.00
A.C.W.C. Bulletins	29.00	29.00
AC.W.C. Endowment fund	0.00	0.00
Suspense Account - World Day of Prayer	336.40	5.00
	<u>\$8069.08</u>	<u>\$7670.38</u>