



## AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN

(N.S.W. State Unit)

MINUTES of COUNCIL MEETING held at Bible Society Auditorium, Bathurst Street, Sydney on Monday 16th November, 1998 at 10.30 a.m.

President Elizabeth Walker welcomed members to our special Diamond Anniversary Council Meeting and luncheon (prepared by Executive) and especially welcomed Marjorie Verco, National Life Member and Margaret Ralph (first Secretary of ACW then Inter-Church Council) and our Winifred Kiek Scholar for 1998, Miss Milise Taipaliti of Tonga. Vi Minty was warmly welcomed on her return after a long illness and Helen Danko after an absence.

Elizabeth spoke of the joy of Christmas as we celebrate the birth of our Lord with our families and friends and posed the question, do some miss the true meaning of Christmas? Perhaps there is something new for us this Christmas. She prayed for Milise - for her safe travelling home to Tonga and that the Lord would direct her into the work she wished to do for HIM; for the members who are attending the ACWC Conference in Thailand and gave thanks for the 60 years of ACW. Elizabeth prayed that our decisions be guided by the Holy Spirit.

PRESENT: 49 as recorded.

APOLOGIES: Joan Tong, Lucelle King, Shirley Wells, Heather Reid, Marie McCann Helen Richardson (at ACWC Conference) Peg Blake, Helen Stutchbury and others as recorded.

GUEST SPEAKER: Miss Milise Taipaliti was introduced to members by Edith Ridge, (WKS Convener). Milise spoke of her studies in Theology in Melbourne and how appreciative she was of receiving the Scholarship. She is very well qualified and looking forward to returning to Tonga and using her knowledge in the service of our Lord.

President Elizabeth presented Milise with a gift from our Unit with our love and prayers for her ministry in Tonga.

The MINUTES of Meeting of 21 September 1998 were read and after an alteration - in General Business - Deaconess Thora Thomas had collected \$400 for the lass in Manilla not \$300 - were confirmed on the motion of Ruth Moore and Thora Thomas. Carried.

### BUSINESS ARISING:

1. 1999 Programmes available.
  2. ECUMENICAL LUNCHEON - 19 July 1999 - Eileen Holley has this in hand.
  3. BOOKMARKS - a few available - \$1.
  4. OZ-INDO Bike Ride - Fiona Collins & Mia Hoggenboom - Sponsorship forms available for individuals. Project endorsed by NCW NSW and ACW State Unit.
  5. REPORTS: ACWC Service - 2nd November, 1998 - Salvation Army, Campsie. Korean Choir greatly enjoyed, Rev. Park's message excellent, Evangelical Sisters very special women - pleasing to see Cambodian women attending. Joan Tong to be congratulated for her organisation - her Salvation Army friends most helpful. Service very well presented.
- WORLD COMMUNITY DAY: October. Service very well received. Korean ladies Choir sang at Epping Service. Very good attendance at Kincumber - Burwood Concord - several Branches had introduced special items. Cella Cooper had 5 denominations attending the Service at W.Wollongong and has hopes of a Branch commencing at Vincentia.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Kayleen Manton - thanks for kindness of ACW and opportunity to attend Conference.
2. Linelle Morrison - moving from Sydney -
3. Marjorie Verco - thanks for invitation to Council & Luncheon.
4. Victorian Newsletter
5. National Executive - enclosing Minutes - informing us of Lois Harris' death (S.A. State Secretary), and WKS and FLC matters.
6. Fiona Collins re Oz-Indo Project -
7. Fr. Zeki Zitoun (Syrian Orthodox Church)
8. Invitation to luncheon at St. Stephens on 2 December.

Correspondence received on motion of Doris Haberfield and Olive Beverley.  
Carried.

REPORTS:

TREASURER: Marie Majoor reported that finances were satisfactory, although offerings for Fellowship Day and World Community Day this year were less than 1997. Some World Community Day reports not yet to hand.  
ACWC Bulletin subscriptions \$15 were due.  
Financial report circulated to members.  
Marie proposed that Report be received, seconded Lily Hanlon. Carried.

FELLOWSHIP OF LEAST COIN: Ruth Moore (for Shirley Wells) read from Circle of Prayer Volume 14 Voice from USA - "giving to children as Jesus taught" - the terrible plight of thousands of children who die in poverty - and prayed for compassion for all helpless people but most especially for infants and children.

SOCIAL ISSUES: Heather Badgery would attend a Seminar - "Year of the Older Persons" on 19 November - on 'Memory'.

MEMBERSHIP/PASTORAL CARE: Heather Badgery had visited Brigadier Mabel Ward in Bethesda Nursing Home for her birthday on 13 November; she had written to Yvonne Davis who has terminal cancer.

NEWSETTE: Dead-line for February issue - 18 January 1999.  
Beryl McLaughlin read from Nungalinga News of the death of Rev. L. Marika, OAM a very able aboriginal lady who had attended the National ACW Conference in Tasmania.

PPSEAWA - Sister Marie Craddock reported that PPSEAWA will hold a Conference 12-16 May 1999 in Sydney - will include two seminars - "Women Accessing the Law" 13 May - and "Women Accessing Information Technology" - 14 May. \*  
PPSEAWA International Conference is to be held in the COOK ISLANDS in November 2000  
Theme of the Conference - "Ignite the Power of Peace".  
Australia Day Luncheon - Thursday 22nd January, 1999.  
\* Special opportunities will be given to women as part of the U.N. International "Year of Older Persons".

SPECIAL MINUTE to acknowledge 60 years:

Marjorie Verco, National Life Member, spoke to the following Minute:  
"I have been impressed with the capable and dedicated women who have carried on the aims and work of Australian Church Women over recent years.  
You have been inspired by the vision of Australian Church Women in order to strengthen their witness in the community.  
May God continue to bless you richly."

Margaret Ralph, Hon. Sec. 1965/66 spoke to the following Minute:

"Congratulations to the NSW State Unit of Australian Church Women on the Diamond Jubilee of its predecessor, the NSW Women's Inter-Church Council. For the thirteen years from 1964 to 1977, ACW was an important part of my life. There were major developments in those years and it is most encouraging to see ACW continuing to prosper during the twenty-one years since. Times have changed but the aims of ACW are just as important now as they were in 1964 when they were adopted. I extend my very best wishes for the next sixty years and beyond."

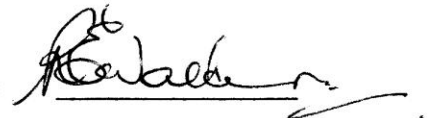
President Elizabeth called upon members - one from each denomination - to share some reminiscences of their years in ACW - Marie Majoor, Joan Curtin, Margaret Jessup, Olive Edmonstone, Eileen Holley, Marjorie Baker, Helen Danko and Edith Ridge responded with some very special memories, all agreeing that ACW membership and involvement is a joyous experience.

President Elizabeth thanked Nola Dickson for making and icing the Diamond Anniversary cake and Joan Curtin was asked to "cut" it.

Elizabeth then pronounced the benediction and closed the meeting, and after singing Grace, fellowship was enjoyed over luncheon.

NEXT MEETING: Monday 15th February 1999, 222 Pitt Street, Sydney, Floor 5. 10.00 a.m.  
Tea Duty: Uniting Church. Chairs: Catholic.

Confirmed:



Date:

15-2-99

AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN (NSW STATE UNIT)

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS  
for two months ended 31.10.98

CR BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD 1.09.98			
ADD RECEIPTS FOR TWO MONTHS			10648.80
Associate Members		20.00	
Donation towards K Manton's expenses		180.00	
Cota Workshop - Contra		25.00	
Australia Day Luncheon - "		105.00	
Donation		9.75	
Interest Received from Glebe Board		89.24	
Sale of promotional items		916.00	
Newsette		25.00	
O/seas Travel Fund - Morning Tea		10.00	
Flower Festival		16.30	
F.L.C.		3821.42	
Winifred Kiek Scholarship		319.10	
Fellowship Day Service		105.70	
World Community Day		2450.20	
ACWC - Partners		5.00	8097.71
			18746.51
DEDUCT - PAYMENTS FOR TWO MONTHS			
MMajor - Treasurer - Printing & Stationery	1.85		
Postage	45.00	46.85	
Board Finance and Property - WCD - Postage	135.20		
Printing	160.00	295.20	
60th Ann Luncheon - Cheque stopped	Cr 1269.00		
New cheque issued	1120.00	149.00	
" " " Advertising expenses		21.15	
FLC Convener - Expenses		44.66	
Margaret Jessup - Photos		24.90	
Special Days Convener - Expenses		17.00	
Kwik Kopy - Brochures		425.00	
COTA - Workshop - H Badgery	25.00		
Contra	25.00	50.00	
Kayleen Manton - Reimbursement Vaccinations		105.00	
Nat.Ccl Women - Aust. Day Lunch. P Blake	35.00		
Contra	105.00	140.00	
Registration for Kayleen Manton for ACWC Assembly		326.27	
Government Charges		8.73	1355.76
			\$17390.75

# CHEQUES FOR RATIFICATION/PAYMENT

Margaret Jessup - Photos		24.90
Board Finance & Property - Printing World Community Day		160.00
Irene Carder - Special Days Converer - Expenses		17.00
Lucelle King - 60th Ann. Publicity		21.15
Kwik Kopy - Printing Brochures		425.00
COTA - Workshop		50.00
Kayleen Manton - Reimburesment Vaccinations		105.00
Nat. Ccl Women - Aust. Day Luncheon		140.00
Salvation Army - Reimbursement K Manton Rego. for ACWC Assembly		326.27
J Tong - Expenses ACWC Service		11.00
Rev Park " " " Guest Speaker		25.00
Evan.Srs Mary " " " and donation		50.00
Campsie S		25.00
alvation Army - For use of hall for ACWC Service		71.30
Carmel Emmett - Postage Newsette		
Marie Majoor - Treasurer - Postage	18.00	
Stationery	5.60	
FLC Convener - Postage	27.00	50.60
Jan Harrison - Secretary -Postage	46.10	
Printing & Stationery	30.61	76.71
Joan Tong - Stationery		
Postage		
Australian Church Women - National Executive -		
Winifred Kiek Scholarship		
Fellowship Least Coin		
Fellowship Day Service		
World Community "		
National Travel Pool	150.00	
O/Seas Travel Fund	150.00	
ACWC Partners	500.00	
" Endowment Fund	500.00	
" 1,000,000 Women	32.00	
" Bulletins		
Australian Church Women NSW Unit - 5% Entitlement -		
Winifred Kiek Scholarship		
Fellowship Least Coin		
Fellowship Day Service		
World Community Day Service		

Margaret Jessup - Photos  
Vale Dickson - 60th Ann. Cash  
Bess Elliott - Notice for ACWC Service

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10.00  
7.45