

Minutes of meeting held in the Bible
House on Friday 24th March 1961.

The President, Mrs Baldwin, was in the chair and opened the meeting with Bible reading and prayer.

Apologies were received from Mesdames Pearson, Baker, Greenhalgh, Nielsen, Paterson, Green, Lowry, Hall and Hutchison.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed on the motion of Mrs Palmer, seconded by Mrs Park.

The President explained that Mrs Hutchison had been compelled, on her doctor's orders, to give up the position of secretary. Her resignation was received with great regret. It was decided that a letter should be sent to Mrs Hutchison expressing our gratitude for her devoted service and our loving sympathy and hope for an improvement in her health. Special mention was made of the work she had done in preparation for the Rally and in leaving everything in order for her successor.

In the absence of the Assistant Secretary Mrs Briggs agreed to act until a new Secretary could be obtained. It was unanimously agreed that the President should approach Mrs Major Baker and see if she would be willing to act.

Business arising from minutes.

Mrs Hutchinson had discussed with the Secretary of Bible House the difficulty arising from lack of seating for our meetings and was advised that extra chairs could be supplied if application were made to the office on the first floor. It was decided that the secretary should ask for 6 extra chairs for each meeting.

The arrangements for the Rally which will be held at 10.30 am on Friday 30th June were discussed. It was moved by Mrs Stolz, seconded by Mrs Palmer, that 1000 notices similar to those used last year should be printed.

The speaker will be Mrs Wyllie and arrangements for soloist and Bible reading will be made by Mrs Manfield. The social room upstairs will be available.

for a basket lunch and the Methodist ladies will provide and pour tea. Mrs Farr urged that we should try to get a larger congregation and Miss Eastaway suggested that all possible publicity should be given to the meeting. Mrs Hilley presented the financial statement showing a balance of £5.6.2.

It was agreed that the annual report should be printed as usual the Appeals Committee and the Hostel Committee each agreeing to pay one-third of the cost. Reports were given by representatives to affiliated societies as follows :-

Inter-Church Aid - Mrs Mansfield reported that receipts from the Christmas appeal amounted to £34,000 with accounts not complete.

W.C.T.U. - Mrs Walker reported on annual convention mentioning the demonstrations of fruit juices and second visit at Hammondsville.

Youth Council - first notice came while Major Coleman was away, no information about the meeting could be obtained.

National Council of Women - ^(Mrs Park reported that) at last meeting new legislation for divorce was outlined and causes of divorce discussed.

N.S.W. Council for Children's Films and Television

Mrs Palmer reported on meeting when Mrs Stuckey spoke on Film Censorship.

Western Suburbs Auxiliary Mrs Palmer reported that since 1952 this auxiliary had given \$420 to the hostel as well as \$40 for piano and \$20 for sewing machine, another \$50 in hand.

World Day of Prayer - Mrs Stoly said that the usual meetings had been held but there had been no committee meeting since.

Hostel and Appeals Committee - Mrs Millar said that there were 2 vacancies at the Hostel. The herb afternoon had been very successful, gross takings \$34. The Appeals Committee has over \$200 in hand including \$75 from the Gillespie Trust.

National Marriage Week - report by Mrs Wilson on a week to focus attention on Marriage and the Family.

It was moved by Mrs Farr, seconded by Major Coleman, that the reports be received. Rose Day will be held on 13th October.

All representatives were asked to see how many members we were entitled to send to each society with which we are affiliated. The Appeals Committee has not before

approached the different denominations for assistance. Members were asked to discuss the matter with the different women's guilds and see if such a direct appeal would be acceptable.

It appears that the overdraft should now be down to six to seven hundred pounds and a big effort is required to clear it away.

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Financial Statement The Women's Inter-Church Council.

Income.

Bank A/c	9. 16. 8
Cash in hand	5 —
Donation for chair fund	1 —
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	£ 11 - 1 - 8

Expenditure

Affiliation fee W.C. I.C.	10. 6.
" " National Council of women	4. 4 -
" " Council for Children's films & Television	1 - 1 -
Bank Balance.	<hr/>
	£ 11 1 8