



**AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN  
NSW STATE UNIT INC.**

***Minutes of Extraordinary Meeting on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2022  
10.30 am via Zoom***

**OPENING:** President Tricia Graham opened the meeting at 10.30 and shared a bible reading from Philippians 2:1-5. "If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit, but everyone is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first, but everyone thinks of other people's interests instead. In your mind you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

**PRESENT:** Tricia Graham, Janet Harrison, Elizabeth McEwen, Glenda McSorley, Ramona Cowle, Rae Goth, Martha Noel, Elizabeth Delaney, Peg McEntee, Sue Meehan, Pat Cory, Pamela Freeman, Lyn Middleton, Isabel Hewitt, Judy Hicks, Jay Turner, Valerie Hazlewood, Brenda Dickinson.

**APOLOGIES:** Margaret Gregory, Jennifer Pepper, Heather Reid, Judith Cayzer, Moya Potts, Beatrice Kay.

**MINUTES:** The Minutes of the final Council Meeting of 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021, to be confirmed, with the correction that Pat Cory was present at the National Conference.

*Moved: Elizabeth Delaney Seconded: Lyn Middleton Carried*

**BUSINESS OF THE MEETING**

- 1) **Presentation and acceptance of Financial and Reports to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021.** (These have been circulated via email prior to the meeting) and **Accounts for Payment:** Mr Malcolm North (Auditor), NSW Department of Fair Trading for Annual Financial Statements: Treasurer Pat Cory moved that the Financial Report be accepted and the accounts be paid, Seconded by Peg McEntee, Carried.
- 2) **Financial arrangements for Celebration Service 16<sup>th</sup> May:** It was agreed that we would cater for 75 people and the quote for \$20/person be accepted. Other expenses would be for the Speaker's travel/accommodation and fee, donation to St Stephens, printing order of service and invitations. It was agreed that \$3000 would be set aside for the Celebration Service.
- 3) **Dispersal of funds to NSW Projects:** 24 Votes were received in response to circulated list: Mums' Cottage (8 votes), Cana Communities NSW (5 votes), Kairos Prison Ministry (3) and all the rest 2 votes each. After discussion the following motion was Moved, Seconded and Carried.

***Treasurer Pat Cory moved "that the funds of ACW NSW Inc. be dispersed as follows: \$3000 be used for the Thanksgiving Service in May; \$1500 donated to Mum's Cottage, Holmesville NSW; \$1500 to Cana Communities NSW, Nagle House for Marginalised Women; \$1000 each to Bear Cottage Children's Hospice, Manly; Allowah Presbyterian Children's Hospital, Dundas; Baptist Care, Hope Street, Woolloomooloo and Kairos Prison Ministry, Hornsby. Any remaining funds will be sent to Australian Church Women Inc."***  
***Seconded by Isabel Hewitt. Carried***

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

- 1) Invitations will be sent out at the end of March. RSVP required. Husbands and friends are welcome.

- 2) ACW Box at Uniting Church office: Elizabeth McEwen will phone the office and ask about the box. Elizabeth Delaney has offered to collect it from Uniting office and take it back to her office in the city. Items such as spoons, FLC prayer booklets etc. can be put out on 16<sup>th</sup> May for members to take.
- 3) FLC donations should be sent to ACW Treasurer, Joy Morley. Tricia contacted National Secretary to find our Treasurer's address, who prefers a cheque, made out to Australian Church Women Inc. Mrs J Morley, 18 Stanley Grove, Blackburn, Vic, 3130.
- 4) Martha advised there will be a World Day of Prayer Service at St Anne's Church, Strathfield, on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30 am.

**CLOSE OF MEETING:** There being no further business, Tricia closed the meeting with this prayer at 11.30 am:

***May the love of Christ inspire us; may the joy of Christ uplift us; may the peace of Christ enrich us; from this day forth, for evermore. Amen***