

Minutes of W.I.C.C. Executive meeting held at 139
Castlegreagh St Sydney on Friday 19th Nov. 1991 at 1 P.M.

Opening devotions were led by the President with the scripture
reading taken from Isaiah 61:14.

Present were 13 members with

Apologies being received & accepted from Messrs Ralph & Jeanne.

Minutes of the last Executive meeting were read & confirmed.

Business Arising:

(1) Memorial Tribute to the late Mrs Violet Walker.

Mrs Stoly read to the Executive the following tribute she
had prepared. "The Pilgrimage on earth has come to
an end of our beloved Mrs Walker. She was a foundation
member of the New South Wales Women's Inter Church Council
& was present at the inaugural meeting at St Stephen's Church
in 1938. Mrs Walker was a Life member until her death.
We were enriched in knowing her, because her motives
were high, her love deep & sincere, & her faith a
sustaining power. May the memory of Mrs Violet Walker
leave in us an ardent desire to follow in our Master's footsteps.

(2) Cost of printing for accompanying letter of thanks
with receipts. The Secretary was asked to contact a
printer re cost - & the Executive would look
into this matter.

(3) Representatives to National letter meeting in Feb 1972.

Meadames: Pfeiffer & Bell.

Observers: Meadames Marsden-Smedley, J Gibb with J Curtin as an alternate. It was agreed that these names be brought before Council on 26th Nov.

Mrs Curtin was requested to handle publicity for the National letter meeting in Feb 1972. It was also agreed that the Secretary, Asst Secretary co-operate in the compilation of the Annual State Hist report.

(4) The following recommendations to the National letter from N.S.W Women's Inter-Church Council re ~~future~~ Aboriginal Representation to future Asian Church Women's Conference were brought to the Executive from Mrs Wells.

- (1) That it is desirable to include an Aboriginal Woman in the delegation from Australia to future meetings of the Asian Church Women's Conference
- (2) That efforts to find such a person begin immediately, so that when names of delegates to the 1974 meeting are called for, the Working letter will be prepared & able to act accordingly.

(3) Relevant findings of discussion groups:

The President brought to the Executive a draft of this, requesting acceptance for distribution to Council, it was moved Deaconsess Andrews, seconded Mrs. Curtis that printed copies be made.

- (4) Venue of Nov Council meeting: to be the Assembly Hall in Elizabeth St., when a film on East Pakistan refugees be shown and a bread & cheese meal to be served after the meeting reminding us of the Christmas Bowl Appeal. It was ^{suggested} ~~agreed~~ that Council be advised that the meetings of Feb, March, April in 1972 would also be held in the Assembly Hall.

Correspondence was read ^{received} as follows:

- (1) Letter from Chief Secretary, Mr. A. E. Walker thanking us for our concern in such controversial matters as the staging of the play "Oh Calcutta".
- (2) Letter from Mrs. Dingle with news of home Jan.
- (3) Letter from Violet Dampa, thanking us for the gift & card on the occasion of her 21st Birthday.

General Business:

- (1) The President informed the Executive that Brig. Ruth Smith + Mrs Brigadier Beveridge were now convalescing after surgery. Mrs Mills suggested that we have a family news segment to bring us in closer touch with absent members + that convokers be asked to report on their groups. moved, seconded, carried.
- (2) World Community Day Service 1971 - future action by Council members: It was decided that we include on rounded form of study findings, information Council members should write about to State + Federal Ministers concerning Aboriginal problems.
- (3) nominations for convokers of 7th of Least Love + representatives to National Council of Women + ~~Children's Film F.V.~~ As Mrs J. Walker has intimated the need to withdraw as representative to the National Council of Women. Mrs Stanhope (health permitting) is willing to accept nomination for convocation of 7th of the Least Love.
4. It was resolved that Council provide a filing cabinet for records of N.I.C.C + A.C.W.

material. # State council of A.C.C. to be approached for accommodation of filing cabinet.

Members were reminded ~~that~~ the date of the next Council meeting in 1972 would be held in the Assembly Hall 140 Elizabeth St Sydney on Monday Feb 21st at 10.30 AM.

There being no further business the meeting closed with the benediction.

Confirmed: Chris Carpenter
Date: 3. 2. 72.

3rd Feb. appendix to Business Arising. N.C.M. Reader (1)
Recommendation to N.C.M. from Mrs Wells re
"aboriginal representation - Mrs Dougherty
suggested that the word "Aboriginal" be replaced by
"a person of different race & culture".
It was proposed Mrs Dougherty, seconded Deaconess
Andrews, that Mrs Ralph prepare clarification
of our notice of motion re alteration to
Constitution