

**AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN
MINUTES OF NATIONAL EXECUTIVE MEETING, 10am 23rd APRIL 2001**

held in Koorong Bookstore Staff Room, 198 Waymouth Street Adelaide.

- WELCOME** Vice-President Shirley Birch welcomed all present.
- DEVOTIONS** Shirley read "Dot to Dot Living" from the book 'We Break for Joy' which likened our lives as going from one dot to another as we draw the picture. Some dots are welcoming places where we like to remain but there are times when the blackness covers everything and there seems no way ahead. Then the brightness of the white dot (God) goes forward with us to continue the picture of our lives. Shirley led in prayer from the book and then several members prayed for Marj Dredge and for other individual members present.
- PRESENT** Shirley Birch in Chair, Laurice Smith, Maureen Clark, Dorothy Chapman, Dorothy Ferrier, Margaret Greenslade, Mavis Ellis, Barbara Grealy, Shirley Sampson & Marj Crawford.
- APOLOGY** Marj Dredge (son's graduation)

MINUTES of the meeting of 20/03/01, with the correction to Business Arising from the Minutes No.4 which should read 'Launch of No Sweat Shop Label', were signed as correct.

BUSINESS ARISING from the Minutes

- 1 **World Community Day 2001 Order of Service** - to be forwarded in the next week. Project is **Talitha Kumi Pakistan.**
- 2 **Conference registration form** - accepted

CORRESPONDENCE - on Page 3. Inwards received, Outwards endorsed.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE CORRESPONDENCE

- 1(4) Evonne Sullivan wrote that it was 'one of the best Govt-sponsored consultations I have ever attended'.
- 2(6) Maureen is replying directly to Queensland Unit re finance for the **Expo**. In answer to the query re **ACWC attending ACW National Conference** - ACWC are responsible for paying for the airfares. ACW National Conference fund pays for **ONLY 5 days'** accommodation for ACWC Executive members.
NB Any Unit issuing an invitation for ACWC Executive member(s) to be the guests of the Unit will need to find out if **EXTRA** air fare costs are incurred as a result of the breaking of the journey either coming to or leaving Australia as the **UNIT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THESE COSTS.**
- 3(18) **Updated WA Unit Directory** **PUBLICITY OFFICER**
Lee Edwards new address Mrs Janet Watts
9/115 Epsom Avenue 17/8 Bradford Street
REDCLIFFE WA 6104 MOUNT LAWLEY WA 6050
(08) 9277 9324 (08)9370 9584

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m D.Chapman s L.Smith that the report be adopted **Agreed**
A/cs passed for payment - 'Open Book', ACW News \$176; S Sampson Postage \$49.92
L Smith Conference Expenses \$25.43 m D.Chapman s M.Greenslade **Agreed**

REPORTS

1 **FLC Convener** - Margaret Greenslade
Ms Jane Pederson has been appointed to the SA Unit as FLC Convener and I look forward to working with her.
Application from Queensland for ICFLC Grant

2 **Social Justice Convener** - Mavis Ellis

After phoning Barbara Lacy I received a phone call from Carmel Blankton who represented us at the "No Sweat Shop" label launch in early March. It's just as well that the Exec Committee didn't go to the expense of sending me as I had already heard most of what she told me. Cheryl Kernow attended. A bumper sticker has been issued so I will try to obtain some and distribute. Coles-Myer have signed the Homeworkers Code.
Please look for the label when doing your winter shopping and those of you on the web should watch the website...www.nosweatshop.com.

ACWC REPORT - Barbara Lacy

WK SCHOLARSHIP 2002: I wrote to Iluminada early in the year supporting Dorothy's first letter, and again in March. She posted forms to all national reps end of March. I trust you receive applications by the end of May.

ASIAN LAWYER: Nancy (president) and executive members have asked me "to thank your National Executive members most sincerely for all their assistance". They are happy for Alan Wong to assist with the ACWC Constitution, and expect the consultation with him will take approx four hours. They would be grateful to receive information of his fees, and are happy to meet at a time to suit his schedule. ACWC will confirm arrangements with him upon receipt of this information.

ACW DELEGATION TO 2002 ASSEMBLY: I attach copy of email from Iluminada confirming that our FOUR delegates vote at the Assembly.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- 1 **Website** We are making firm enquiries about getting on the web and a proposal will be put to Conference. Our information is ready for transmission to the web.
- 2 **Updated ACW Leaflet** - the approved mastercopy will be forwarded to each State Unit & Territory Branch.
- 3 **Amendment to Constitution 9.2** - motion will be forwarded with the Working Papers.
- 4 **Amendment to 6.1.1(b)(v)**
Motion: That Clause 6.1.1(b)(v) Administration National Conference Observers be amended to read: 'Up to seven members from the incoming National Executive nominees'.
Rationale: We now have twelve members on the National Executive.
 This will be included in the Working Papers. m B.Grealy s M.Greenslade **Agreed**

Further details regarding National Conference were deal with.

CLOSURE Laurice Smith closed the meeting with prayer.

Date of next Meeting - Tuesday 15 May at 10 am at Koorong Bookstore

Confirmed

National President..... Date.....

Inwards:

- 22/3/01 1. Directory of Australian Associations questionnaire
- 26/3/01 2. ACW(TAS Unit) minutes meeting 27/11/00
- 26/3/01 3. ACW(ACT Unit) Annual report 2000/2001; Executive Directory 2001
- 26/3/01 4. Evonne Sullivan report on Carmen Lawrence Round Table Consultation 27/2/01
- 28/3/01 5. ACW (QLD Unit) minutes meeting 26/2/01
- 29/3/01 6. ACW(QLD Unit) re display for 'Connecting Communities'
- 30/3/01 7. Dept. PM & Cabinet reply re IVF for single women
- 2/4/01 8. ACW(TAS Unit) minutes meeting 26/2/01
- 2/4/01 9. ACW (VIC Unit) Newsletter February 2001
- 3/4/01 10. ACW (SA Unit) minutes meeting 9/3/01
- 3/4/01 11. ACW (ACT Unit) endorsing choice of Talitha Kumi Welfare Centre for WCD Project
- 4/4/01 12. ACW (ACT Unit) Newsletter Apr/May/June
- 9/4/01 13. ACW(VIC Unit) minutes meeting 23/2/01
- 9/4/01 14. Aust. Federal Police re paedophilia – thanks for our interest
- 10/4/01 15. ACW(SA Unit) Jane Pederson appointed Unit FLC Convenor; endorsing Talitha Kumi
- 29/3/01 16. E-mail: Religious Women for Peace confirming details for directory
- 20/4/01 17. B.Lacy ACWC report for Nat. Exec. meeting; copy e-mails rec'd/sent to ACWC
- 20/4/01 18. ACW (WA Unit) minutes meeting 30/3/01; profile L. Edwards ACWC nominee; updated Unit directory

PUBLICATIONS:

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NEWS#2

Aust. Dom. Violence Clearing House Newsletter/March

ACWC Bulletin Jan/March

Human Rights & Equal Opportunity Commission: Pregnancy Guidelines

Outwards:

- 20/3/01 1. ACW(QLD Unit) forwarding brochure on 'Connecting Communities'
- 23/3/01 2. Circular 2001/13
- 25/3/01 3. Directory of Aust. Associations reply to questionnaire
- 31/3/01 4. Sr Bernadette Kiley re National Conference
- 11/4/01 5. E-mail reply to Religious Women for Peace
- 16/4/01 6. Ansett, draft of registration form

Financial Report for month ending 31st March 2001

Balance 1-3-01			5,801.25
Receipts			
Postage Reimbursement	2.45		
Sales - "Many Prayer, One Prayer" (Incl GST)	19.80		<u>22.25</u>
			5,823.50
Payments			
National Conference Expenses - S Plaiice	12.00		
Petty Cash -			
Minute Secretary, M Crawford	59.30		
WKS Convenor, D Ferrier	67.92	127.22	<u>139.22</u>
Balance 31-3-01			<u>5,684.28</u>
Balance cheque account as per bank statement	5,684.28		
Term Deposit maturing 31-8-01	5,330.20		
Term Deposit maturing 23-9-01	6,348.30		
Total Balance 31-3-01			<u>17,362.78</u>
DESIGNATED FUNDS SUMMARY			
Administration	4,024.82		
WKS Bursary Book	25.00		
National Conference Fund	10,094.86		
Overseas Conference Fund	3,218.10		
			<u>\$17,362.78</u>