



## AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN NSW STATE UNIT INC

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at 222 Pitt Street, Sydney on Monday 21 April 2008 at 10.30 am.

WELCOME: Mrs Carmel Keys, President welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DEVOTIONS: Carmel led devotions on John 14 where Jesus promises to make a place for all believers. God's love is beyond our imagining and is open to all, a guideline for us to follow. Making room for others is an ongoing task to be adopted by disciples and friends. Martin Luther King had called for freedom for all because all are equal before God.

PRESENT: 35 as recorded on attendance sheet                      APOLOGIES: 14 as recorded.

MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting of 16 April 2007 having been read at the Council Meeting of 18 June 2007 and initialled were confirmed on the motion of Lyn Middleton and Nancy McLaren.

REPORTS: All reports were printed in the Annual Report and available to members. Carmel Keys presented her report. The Secretary and Treasurer presented their reports.

Moved Helen Richardson, seconded Joyce Liddell that the audited financial report to 31 December 2007 be received. Carried

Moved Helen Hill, seconded Denise Secomb that the reports be received. Carried

OFFICE BEARERS 2008/2009:	President	Jennifer Peffer	Baptist
	Past President	Carmel Keys	Catholic
	President Elect		Presbyterian

ELECTION OF OFFICERS for 2008/2009: Members endorsed the appointment of the following office bearers who had been nominated and the nominations seconded:

Secretary	Isabel Hewitt	Uniting Church
Treasurer	Helen Richardson	Uniting Church
Winifred Kiek	Judith Cayzer	Churches of Christ
Fellowship of the Least Coin	Janet Lang	Presbyterian
Membership	Martha Noël	Baptist
Pastoral Care	Olive Edmondstone	Baptist
Newsette	Beryl McLaughlin	Anglican
Publicity	Nancy McLaren	Salvation Army
Special Days	Pamela Freeman	Salvation Army
Social Issues	Vacant	
Asian Church Women's Conference	Lyn Middleton	Salvation Army

The Social Issues convenership remains vacant and Carmel asked Council members to consider if they could take responsibility for this position. She thanked Executive members continuing in their roles, and Sr Joan Bird for the work done.

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COMMITTEES:

Winifred Kiek Scholarship: Judith Cayzer (Convener), Mina Whybourne, Edith Ridge, Norma Dumbrell

Fellowship of the Least Coin: Janet Lang (Convener)

Membership: Martha Noël, (Convener), Heather Badgery, Assistant

Pastoral Care: Olive Edmondstone (Convener), Nola Dickson

*Newsette*: Beryl McLaughlin (Convener), Heather Badgery, Jan Harrison, Brenda Dickinson

Publicity: Nancy McLaren (Convener)

Special Days: Pamela Freeman (Convener), Jan Harrison, Isabel Hewitt, Dorothy Kenning, Judith Cayzer, Pat Sutton, Bonnie Lyons

Social Issues: Vacant (Convener), Lily Hanlon, Helen Hill

ACWC: Lyn Middleton (Convener), Olive Edmondstone, Norma Dumbrell, Ramona Cowle, Beryl Kirkwood, Martha Noël, Brenda Dickinson, Judith Baker

These positions were confirmed on the motion of Lily Hanlon and Denise Secomb.

Helen Richardson was re-appointed as Public Officer on the motion of Nancy McLaren and Jennifer Peffer.

Brenda Dickinson was confirmed as *Newsette* manager and as Website manager.

It was agreed that Mr Frank Fryirs be Auditor for the coming year on the motion of Helen Richardson and Joan Bird.

DELEGATES TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS:

National Council of Women: Shirley Wells, Helen Richardson, Dorothy Kenning as alternate.

World Day of Prayer: Judith Baker, Lily Hanlon, Jan Harrison, Helen Hill, Shirley Mitchell

NSW Ecumenical Council: Pamela Freeman

Pan Pacific & S E Asia Women's Assn: Edith Ridge, Joan Bird, with Mina Whybourne as an alternate.

Moved Lyn Middleton, seconded Merle Menzies and agreed that delegates to other organizations be confirmed.

The Annual General Meeting closed at 11.45 am and the business of April Council meeting followed.

Executive members came forward to enable Council members to note who they were, and Jean Porteous, a Past President, prayed for them.

Initialled: .....

Confirmed: .....

18 June 2007

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