

Minutes of meeting of A.C.W. Council Meeting 16th March, 1981
held at 139 Castlereagh St. Sydney.

The President opened with reading from Revelation and Prayer.

Apologies were received from Mrs. Judy, Miss Mitchell, Mrs. Oates, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Hosking, Miss Barwick, Mrs. Fishburn, Mrs. Maxwell, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Hunter, Mrs. Bell.

Visitors were welcomed Deaconess Daphne Percy, Mrs. Beryl Smith, Roseville Lindfield Killara, Mrs. Mrs. Price Lane Cove-longueville, Mrs. Walker Chatswood-Willoughby, Mrs. McMahon Beacon Hill, Catholic Rep.

Minutes of the February Council Meeting on 16th were read and confirmed.

A Tribute was read for the late Mrs. A. Hall, late life Member, this was accepted and recorded in the Minutes.

Correspondence.

Inwards.

Copies of Maline's plans from Mrs. Dodds.

Copy of Order of Service for F.I.C. for use in states.

Invite W.C.T.U. Pres. and others reception 9th Mar.

Pres. had invitation to Mothers Union.

and Board of Mission Aux. 25th Mar.

Hurstville Branch new Secretary.

Impact Wesley Central Mission

Letter Marie Price W.K.S. Conv. telling us Mrs. Rathie Selveratnam would be coming in July to Sydney, this was unofficial yet and the the result of phone call to her, seeking advice if Rathie could come to our May Service.

Minutes Feb. indicated Rathie had been appointed,

A.C.C. leaflets, and Women at Work Feb.

Request speaker Wahroonga U.C. speaker on F.I.C.

Invitation Salvation Army Rally 10th April.

Working Committee re National Committee Meeting.

Letter Mary Au from Hong Kong, with photo.

Beth Gummow resigning as Council member, owing to Deaconess appointment.

Letters Working Committee to amend Constitution, about Travel Pool, Report required, and nominations A.C.W.C.

Outwards.

Letter Mrs. Pearson life Member

Annual Report for A.C.C.

Reply W.C.T.U. invitation

Letter to Wahroonga Mrs. McCann to attend

Card Mrs. Capt. Eiles on new baby.

Card to Miss Mitchell thinking of her in her illness.

Card to Mrs. Manfield thinking of her in hospital after accident.

Letter Mrs. Gummow best wishes.

Greetings for Mrs. Stevens to take to New Zealand tour from A.C.W.

Women's Advisory Council to be placed on mailing list.

Order South Aust. 6 teaspoons F.I.C. on it, for \$2.

The correspondence was received and outwards endorsed.

In discussion about a leader to A.C.W.C. to lead a Commission on 'Strategies for and Resources for Peace', it had been suggested Heather Stevens from Executive Meeting, and the nomination came from Council of Dorothy McMahon, - these to be followed up by Executive and let Working Committee know.

Applications for Grants for from the F.I.C. to be in by May. We didn't envisage submitting an application from our State Unit.

Women at Work was distributed, and attention drawn to the fact that the 1978 grant had been applied for welfare work, by the A.C.C.

The May Service was discussed, and requests made for food for the luncheon, indicating was made on paper sent round meeting. The Order of Service could be applied, and request was made for anyone who had costumes of other countries for the pageant, soloist etc. to assist. Speakers following the luncheon would relate to the year of the Disabled planned by the United Nations. Invitations had been prepared and circulated for members, to invite others, and some to be sent to branches. It was suggested the Chinese Presbyterian ladies might provide a choir.

Finance Report. With Miss Mitchell's absence it was indicated some Accounts for payment had been passed by Executive, Sec. account of \$29:83, ^{being mainly} ~~and~~ letterhead paper printed with the new emblem on it-\$26:57, also payment for Circle of Prayer books received \$13:1 had been passed for payment. It was passed today \$13:23 for the invitation leaflets (400) and \$9:78 for the F.L.C. Boxes labels which had A.C.W.N.S.W. on them. For C. Although the Treasurer had indicated she thought 70cents would be of Pr. in order it was the feeling of the meeting that 60 cents would be appropriate in order to sell them while they are fresh, and this was resolved, to be 60 cents, some people paid the extra 10cents who had purchased last meeting, before the Account had arrived.

Winifred Kiek Scholar Report.

Deaconess reported Ma ine had arrived on the right date. She had been met and hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Stanhope, for the week-end. Deaconess had had a long talk with her. Lane Cove-Longueville Branch were most generous in their response with necessities for her. Mrs. Stanhope had a thank you letter from Maline.

Mrs. Stanhope also had a letter, and greeting from Mrs. Pfeiffer, a former President. of A.C.W. which she brought to us. She then took the F.L.C. Reading from the new Circle of Prayer book, on Partnership.

It was also indicated it was suggested at our Annual Service a special offering would be taken with the offering a 50 cent piece, this was indicated on the invitation, so people would be prepared. Publicity. Brig. Ward asked for news for Newsette as soon as possible. Promotion. Mrs. Lt. Col. Baker reported she had spoken at Hornsby following the W.W.D of P Service to a group of ladies about starting a branch, she also had contacts with Lakemba-Belfield area. The Sec. reported she and the Pres. were to speak and show the Audio-Visual at Dee Why on Wednesday, and she hoped somewhere in the Hurstville area a service could be held.

The last of our affiliated groups had come to report today.

Mrs. Lillian Warren gave us a copy of the Constitution and a folder on the Girls Brigade. Her talk proved most informative, and many details from charts she showed describing training for girls in youth work and administration. The programme is spiritual, physical, educational and social. Motto is "Seek, Serve and Follow Christ".
* The speaker was Sister Lenore Sharry, Executive Secretary for the Catholic Commission of Ecumenism. Sister has been newly appointed to this role, it is new and she is seeking to meet Ecumenical groups in Sydney. One of four Sisters of her Order, Our Lady of Sion, to come to Sydney from Melbourne to form a Community, she has had an interesting background, including a time in Israel. We look forward to further contacts with her.

Mrs. Marie McCann, Convenor of the Committee looking into Social Issues, reported on the work of the Committee to date, and asked for suggestions for the areas the Council wished the Committee to further investigate. Some suggestions were forthcoming, on Pornography, Sex shops, etc. the committee to follow up with Executive. The next meeting to be held one week late owing to Easter on 27th April. The President closed the meeting with the Benediction at 12:40p.m. Mrs. Jean and Mrs. Cameron were hostesses for the day.

President. C. A. West.....

27th March, 1981.

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* The Secretary distributed nomination papers for the Annual Meeting to be returned today or by 13th April the next Executive meeting.