

AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN NATIONAL EXECUTIVE



Minutes of Meeting held on March 21, 2005 at
Piccadilly Court, 222 Pitt Street, Sydney, at 1.00 p.m.

Chair:	Major Nancy McLaren	President
Present:	Mrs Cella Cooper	First Vice President
	Mrs Janet Harrison	Second Vice President
	Mrs Isabel Hewitt	Secretary
	Mrs Nola Dickson	Treasurer
	Mrs Brenda Dickinson	Minutes Secretary
	Sister Marie Craddock	Publicity Convenor
	Mrs Edith Ridge	Publications Editor
	Major Eileen Holley	Special Days Convenor
	Miss Shirley Wells	Fellowship of the Least Coin Convenor
	Mrs Jean Porteous	Social Issues Convenor
	Major Joan Tong	Winifred Kiek Scholarship Convenor
	Major Lyn Middleton	President, NSW State Unit

Devotions: Major Nancy McLaren read Luke 19:28-38. Jesus rides into Jerusalem – the triumphal entry - which was in reality the beginning of the road to sorrow. The next few days Jesus spent time with his disciples. Sorrow lay in having his friends betray and deny him. We give thanks to God for calling us to be one of his disciples now, accepting Jesus as our personal Saviour and thus becoming sons and daughters of God.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Minutes of the Meeting held on February 7, 2005, were confirmed as a true record of proceedings.

Minutes of the Meeting held on February 21 were confirmed, with an amendment. Previous Minutes dated February 7, 2005 had been referred to as “January 7, 2005”. Please change “January” to “February”.

1. CORRESPONDENCE:

Inward Correspondence:

ACW SA Unit – Minutes 11/2/2005; 2005 Leaflet;
information/photo for *Honouring ACW* entries
ACW NSW Unit – Minutes 15/11/2005; 21/2/2005; letter re website
ACW VIC Unit – Feb/Mar 2005 *News*;
ACW QLD Unit – Minutes 22/11/2004
ACW ACT Unit – Annual Report 2004; Addresses
ACW WA Unit – Minutes 17/9/2004; 15/10/2004; 19/11/2004; FLC Letter
Barbara Lacy – re airfares; notices of motion
Jean Hambley – letter, AWC Report
Eva Cooper – re FLC application
UNSW *Domestic & Family Violence Newsletter* 12/2004;
ICFLC *FLC Moves & Touches* special issue 2005

Outward Correspondence:

Shu-Wen Chiang – re Indian contact person
Society for Rural Development India – re sponsorship
Rosary Socio-Educational Society India – re sponsorship
UNSW – change of address – again
Jean Hambley – 2005 dates National Executive

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2. REPORTS:

President (Major Nancy McLaren)

- Visits have been arranged to South Australia and Victoria State Units 25-29 May.
- Attended National Breast Cancer Foundation Breakfast.
- Attended Mothers' Union Annual Festival.

Secretary (Isabel Hewitt)

Honouring Australian Church Women: Work is continuing on this project.

Treasurer (Nola Dickson) Report attached.

Treasurer's Report as at February 28, 2005, received.

Fellowship of the Least Coin Convener (Shirley Wells)

- A letter has been sent to all State Units requesting that by 14/03/05 particulars of any Grants being considered for 2006 be forwarded to enable National Executive to decide which project to proceed with.
- Letter to I.C.F.L.C. Secretary requesting 5,000 bookmarks for World Community Day Service and 400 brochures.
- Reply received from above advising these would be sent by surface mail.
- Volume 17 of Circle of Prayer not yet available but should reach Australia shortly.
- Particulars of Grant projects for 2006 received as follows:
 1. South Australia (Lutheran Church), to purchase sewing machines and accessories for a Migrant Lutheran Sewing Group.
 2. Tasmania, for the "Rainbows Programme" to purchase stationery and auxiliary supplies.
- A copy of FLC Moves & Touches has been received in which is listed the 2005 Grants.

After discussion, it was agreed to proceed with the South Australia Project.

Inward Correspondence:

02/03/05 Letter from Western Australia Unit – not applying for a 2006 Grant.
 07/03/05 Phone call and letter from ICFLC secretary re bookmarks, brochures and Volume 17 of Circle of Prayer.
 14/03/05 Letter from Queensland Unit – not applying for a 2006 Grant and requesting FLC promotional material.

One copy of FLC Moves & Touches received from ICFLC Secretary.

Outward Correspondence:

24/02/05 Letter to all State Units re particulars of 2006 Grant applications.
 25/02/05 Letter to ICFLC Secretary requesting brochures and bookmarks for World Community Day Services.

Publicity Convener (Sr Marie Craddock)

Further amendments were made to the National Conference brochure/application form and accompanying Medical Record form. These will be sent out to the recipients delineated in the Guidelines before the end of this month.

Reports (continued).

Social Issues Convener (Jean Porteous)

Continuing to receive Carers' News and will pass this on to the NSW Convenor for information.

Australian Women's Coalition (Jean Hambley)

The 2004 Australian Women's Coalition Inc. Annual Report was tabled, and favourable comment was made on the report. Jean Hambley contributed on behalf of Australian Church Women. Jean attended Face to Face meetings in November 2004 and February 2005.

Asian Church Women's Conference (Pat Walker)

Pat Walker is to attend an Executive Committee meeting in Cambodia 21-27 May. This meeting will prepare for the Quadrennial Assembly of Asian Church Women's Conference to be held in Malaysia in 2006.

Reports received, with thanks.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS:

3.1 ACW NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2005: Timetable, program, speakers, publicity information and all arrangements for the Conference are continuing to be formulated.

4. NEXT MEETING:

April 18, 2005, Level 10, Piccadilly Court, 222 Pitt Street, Sydney at 1.00 p.m.

Meeting closed at 4.00 p.m. with prayer.

Minutes confirmed:

Date:

National President.