

Minutes of the Meeting held in the I.C.C. Hostel - "Wyalapa"  
Burnwood, on Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> February 1959 at 11 am.

The President, Mrs E. H. Unice, was in the chair and 28 members were present.

After a short devotional period led by the President, Council members were welcomed to the first Council meeting of 1959 - the first Council meeting at Wyalapa - by Mrs Unice.

Apologies were received from Mesdames Briggs, Stoby, Liddell, Copley, Yeld, Walter Palmer, Nilson, Hillan, Miss Allen & Major Coleman. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Mrs Unice then gave the Council a short but interesting report on the visit of Mrs Colonel Saunders, the President of the Victorian Women's Inter Church Council. Mrs Briggs had prepared a full report on her conversations with Mrs Saunders, and Mrs Unice expressed the hope that on her return to Sydney, Mrs Briggs should make a fuller report to the Council. It was noted that,

1. The Church of England was represented on the Council.
2. Meetings held bi-monthly, most of the work of the Council being done by four committees - Public Questions, Publicity, Publications - Fellowship.
3. Community Day meetings organized throughout the State - through the Women's World Day of Prayer Committee. The Council decided the subject, order of service & the purpose the offering shall be used for. Last year the Crippled children benefitted. Last year the V.W.I.C.C. brought Miss Franz from

Indonesia, who toured the State for two months, holding Community Day services.

Mr Pearson asked why similar arrangements could not be made for our Community Day, especially as end of September was usually the time for the Food Neighbour Councils Conference.

Council members expressed their appreciation of Mrs Saunders' willingness to obtain literature etc in duplicate, during her visit to England & America in June.

Mrs Carpenter gave the latest information re the I.C.A Christmas Bowl Appeal - £16,228, the Bowl in the Cathedral grounds realising £282. Mention was made of the response by several nations, including Australia to the W.C.C appeal for hard core refugees to be accepted as migrants. Mrs Unwin informed the Council of Mrs Palmer's serious illness. All were glad to know that Mrs Palmer was now out of hospital, & the Secretary was asked to write to Mrs Palmer on behalf of the Council.

Birthday greetings were expressed and sung to Mr Faulkner.

Correspondence Reply received from the Billy Graham Crusade, asking members to support their local churches in their preparations, prayer groups, choir practices & counselling classes.

Miss Eastaway suggested that members of the Council should interest themselves in Home Prayer groups - which would commence on March 16<sup>th</sup> 2 C H 10am Crusade Radio Service to be followed every day by prayer in the home.

Weekly fathering of relatives, friends neighbours, to sing, prayer & read the Bible together - not a social fathering - no cups of tea - to be organized until the end of May. The council decided that in this way members could really support the Crusade - the aim was one prayer group in every street.

Miss Eastaway suggested that Mr. D. Giblin could be invited to speak to the Council on the importance of prayer & counselling in the Crusade - possibly at the April meeting. It was felt generally that the April meeting would be too late as the Crusade would have already been underway a fortnight.

Counselling classes were discussed at some length & all agreed that these services were very fine & that as many as possible should be encouraged to attend.

Mrs C. Denis Ryan's card & word of appreciation for sympathy was read to the Council.

The financial statement showing a credit balance of £7.19.5. was presented by Miss McDiarmid; authority was given to pay the Suburban Printery & Co for <sup>letterheads</sup> envelopes of £2.9.6. This was passed on the motion of Mr Deans and seconded by Mrs Greenhalgh.

Announcements. - March 20<sup>th</sup> next Council meeting at which Rev. W. J. Hobbin will speak on some aspects of gambling.

It was noted with regret that several other Church functions were to be held on the same day.

Apologies then received from Mr Walker, Mr Hill, Mrs Margaret Davies together with all other Congregational members. It was also the Church of Christ's Conference week.

The possibility of postponing Rev Hobbin's visit  
to was then discussed, but finally the Council agreed  
to keep to the arrangements for the March meeting, only  
to make the meeting an open one - proposed by Mr  
Pearson, seconded by Mr Deans

Miss Eastaway to notify all religious publications & to  
be included in the 2CH 2pm Sunday Programme.

Church of Christ Rally on March 24<sup>th</sup> - request for  
two representatives - Mr Hall & Mr Hutchinson accepted.

S.A. Home League Rally March 16<sup>th</sup> Town Hall 2pm

Social afternoon organised by the Appeals Committee

Friday March 13<sup>th</sup> 2pm Miss Lorna Byrne to speak on China

1st May Lyceum Club 8pm - Address showing of films  
by Mr Beria Porter

The Deans reported to the Council that the Epping ICC  
had organized the W.W. day of Prayer successfully this year  
- full Church. The Day to be asked to send in a report.

The Wacker invited members to take lunch after the  
March Council meeting - in the S.A. Assembly Hall - when  
the W.C.T.U. would be holding their Page Festival - Fete.

March 20<sup>th</sup> 11am - 4pm.

Mr Payton regretted that Mr Norton in his Liberal Policy  
speech only proposed abolishing the 2/- Poker Machine -  
it was only doing away with - for justice! Council in  
full agreement - were pleased at the move in the  
right direction - but feared that it would leave  
this evil unchecked.

Miss Roseby congratulated the Council on its vigorous  
& increasing interest in so many matters - on its increased

membership & good regular attendance. It was now nearly two years since Miss Roseby had been able to attend a Council meeting in the Bible House & hoped that holding a Council meeting early in the year at Wybalena would become an annual arrangement. Miss Roseby was especially delighted because the Baptist Church was now so well represented & she looked forward to the coming in of the Church of England.

Mr (Mr Pearson) reported that as long ago as last June, Mrs Kerle as President of the Mothers Union had expressed <sup>their willingness</sup> to join the Council and that The Montgomerie had <sup>would be willing to</sup> be chosen as one of the delegates!

The President proposed that the best method of approach should be explored - in order that as soon as possible the Anglican Church might be represented on the Council. Moved by Miss McDiarmid & seconded by The Deans.

The faulch was asked to write to Mrs Bryden Lewis (whose idea it was to meet in this way) to describe the Council meeting & to send the Council's greetings.

Earlier in the meeting the President had informed the Council of the necessity of Mrs Lewis leaving the Council, as she is now living in Bathurst. The Secretary was asked to write to Mrs Lewis to thank her for her wonderful interest & support - especially in the affairs of Wybalena & the Hostel Committee.

Miss Roseby paid a Tribute to the Appeals Committee - seconded by the President on behalf of the Council - pledged further support for 1959 so that the mortgage could be brought

in the 1000 figures

The Knight reported that the Hostel was already booked out  
21 girls being expected!

1.70pm Hostel Committee to meet.

In the meantime we were to have lunch together in  
the dining room & the home was open for inspection  
afterwards.

As there was no further business the meeting closed  
with the benediction.

20/3/59 H. H. Jones

N.S.W. WOMEN'S INTER-CHURCH COUNCIL

Financial Statement to 27th February, 1959.

<u>RECEIPTS.</u>	£ s. d.	<u>EXPENDITURE.</u>	£ s. d.
By Credit Balance, 28th November, 1958,	10 8 11	To Cost of 500 quarto and 500 octave Letterheads- Suburban Herald Printery	2 9 6
		" Credit Balance, as per Pass Book,	7 19 5
	<u>£10 8 11</u>		<u>£10 8 11</u>

Circular.

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- \* The first meeting of the current year will be held at Wybalena Hostel, 1 Appian Way, Burwood at 11 a.m., on Friday, 27th February.  
(Bus 480 or 483 from Railway Square alighting at Appian Way, or Ashfield bus from Burwood Station)  
Members are invited to bring a basket lunch and make this a friendly social occasion as well as an opportunity to see the hostel.  
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- \* As the last Friday in March is Good Friday, the March meeting will be held in the Board Room, Bible House, at 11 a.m. on Friday, 20th March. At this meeting the Rev. W. J. Hobbin will speak on some aspects of Gambling.  
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- \* On Friday, 24th April in the Board Room, Bible House, an ordinary business meeting will be held :  
and
- \* On Friday, 29th May at 11 a.m. at the Bible House, the Annual Meeting and election of officers.
- \*\* The Annual Rally will be held in June at a time and place to be announced later.

Hon. Secretary E. D. Briggs  
JA-7785

Assistant Hon. Secretary  
O. Carpenter  
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