

A U S T R A L I A N C H U R C H W O M E N

MINUTES OF WORKING COMMITTEE MEETING

Held in C.M.M. Board Room, Franklin St., Adelaide at 10 a.m. on 25th March, 1974

OPENING: Mrs. Smith welcomed members to the meeting, especially Mrs. Kath Howie, new committee member.

PRESENT: Mrs. A. C. Smith (President) Mrs. D. J. Rowston  
Mrs. W. F. Kain (Vice-President) Mrs. T. R. Howie  
Deaconess N. Norris " Mrs. D. L. Gobbett  
Mrs. E. A. Bache (Treasurer) Mrs. J. B. Murchland (Secretary)  
Mrs. K. D. Hall

APOLOGIES: Capt. Golding

DEVOTIONS: Mrs. Gobbett reminded us that the Christian message is one of reconciliation and that modern society tends to break down relationships rather than build them up. An extract from "Pursuit of Loneliness" amplified this. A prayer of meditation concluded devotions.

MINUTES: Minutes as circulated were confirmed and signed as correct.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES: The Convenor reported that so far two applications from Africa had been received for '75 Scholarship. Resolved that circular letter be sent to all State Units and Convenors emphasising matters as outlined in minutes of 25.2.74 re Miss Rae Seng. Resolved that Convenor write to A.C.C. regarding travel arrangements of future scholars.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following correspondence was received and action taken endorsed:-

To Miss J. Christie	re W.C. Day
From A.C.W. W.A.	expressing willingness to have W.C. in Perth
" Min. Aboriginal Affairs	re grant for aboriginal rep. to A.C.W.C.
" Rev. F. Engel	re Committee on Co-op. of Men and Women
To Mrs. W. Kiek	enclosing copy of citation
" Mrs. Shanti Solomon	Thanks for greeting for N.C.M. and advising of statement by Mrs. Cookson
" Mrs. F. Downes	copy of above
" Rev. Brian Walsh	enclosing donation for Women of Bangladesh
" Prin. Pac. Theol. Coll.	" " " training student
" Mrs. L. O. Ackland	re details of Mrs. Rowlands for record book
" Mrs. D. E. Ackland	appreciation of services on W.C.
" Deaconess E. Simmons	" " " " "
" Mrs. P. Parkin	" " " " "
" Mrs. W. S. Morrow	appreciation of help of S.A. Unit at N.C.M.
" Col. Mrs. R. B. Everett	" " greetings at N.C.M.
" Rockhampton A.C.W.	" " " " "
" Mrs. W. F. Kain	" " " " "
" Mrs. G. Naylor	" " " " "
" Mrs. L. K. Gower	re problems of A.C.T. Women
" Mrs. D. Badger	Advice of minute at N.C.M.
From Mrs. M. Verco	re change of address
" Miss M. Paterson	appreciation of P.W.A.(S.A.) for planning
To Mrs. R. H. Dougherty	re news of Kalpana of N.C.M.
" Rev. Bruce Reddrop	re resolutions passed at N.C.M.
" Gen. Sec. Anglican Ch.	re women and youth at W.C.C. and donation for fares to A.C.W.C.
" Rev. H. T. Wells	do.
" Col. E. Lucas	do.
" Col. R. E. Holz	do.
" Mrs. E. Faulkner	do.
From "	reply do.
To Professor N. Young	re women and youth at W.C.C.
" Rev. J. Brown	do.
From "	reply do.
To Rev. L. F. Gunn	re donation for fares to A.C.W.C.
From "	reply do.
To Rev. W. D. O'Reilly	do.
From "	reply do.
To Rev. C. J. Wright	do.
" Mrs. D. Rhodes	re masculine terminology
" Mrs. K. Davies	re registration forms for A.C.W.C.
From "	reply do.



FINANCIAL  
REPORT  
(CONT.):

SUMMARY OF BALANCES AT 18.3.74

Fellowship of Least Coin	199.51
W. Kiek Scholarship	1102.22
Fellowship Day	343.49
World Community Day	238.11
Overseas Travel	107.02
Scribal Pens	217.60
Administration & General	925.59
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Less Debit Balance for Memorial Bursary	241.99
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	\$2891.55

Note: Proceeds of bonds redeemed (money re-invested at higher interest rate) have not yet been credited to Scholarship and Bursary Accounts.

The following accounts were passed for payment:-

Roneo	316.08
Saverys	20.00
C.M.M. (printing)	470.00
Petty Cash	
Deaconess Norris	10.00
F.L.C. Convenor	10.00
Munyara	60.00
F.L.C. Circle of Prayer Vol. 5	150.00

RESOLUTIONS  
FROM N.C.M.

Mrs. Smith asked all officers and Convenors to see that resolutions from recent N.C.M. are recorded in their files.

DUTIES OF  
NEW  
COMMITTEE:

After considerable discussion of Women at Work, the following sub-committee was appointed to be responsible for Women at Work, Publicity and Publications and Special Days

Mrs. D. J. Rowston  
Mrs. W. F. Kain  
Mrs. T. R. Howie  
Capt. W. Golding

No replacement has yet been found for Winifred Kiek Scholarship Convenor and several possible nominees were suggested. Deaconess Norris to continue with United Groups.

SCRIBAL  
PENS:

Mrs. Kain reported that she is holding 10 gross in stock. \$115.20 had been received from Queensland and \$463.20 is still owing. Notelets - 30 packets in stock - \$43.65 owing.

MEMORIAL  
BURSARY:

Mrs. Smith asked that publicity be given to the fact that donations can be made in memory of any Australian church women.

MAGDALENE:

Resolved that this magazine be commended as resource material for women's groups.

NATIONAL  
MARRIAGE &  
FAMILY WEEK:

Resolved that Secretary obtain copies of pamphlet advertising this week and containing ideas for meetings and include with Minutes.

SPECIAL DAYS:

There was a general discussion on committees to plan future Special Days and Mrs. Rowston is to contact various groups. Resolved that Mrs. Rowston write to each State Convenor seeking suggestions for posters and asking for comments on the suggestion that each State prepare its own posters. Convenor advised that there are no extra copies of World Community Day '74 service in stock. Anyone needing substantial quantities still, please advise by end of May. There are an extra 600 Fellowship Day Orders of Service available if required. Fellowship day posters were presented to the meeting. Mrs. Rowston advised that the S.A. "Advertiser" had agreed to print an article about the women going to A.C.W.C. at a time nearer the Conference. Maybe interstate papers will do likewise, if asked.

REPORTS:  
(CONT.)

Mrs. Fran. Bailey reported on a letter received from Shanti Solomon seeking details of the number of women who would represent Australia at W.C.C. in Indonesia. Secretary to advise Mrs. Bailey when all replies to correspondence on this subject are to hand. A questionnaire for "Sexism in the '70's" was passed on to the Women at Work Sub-committee. Mrs. Bailey agreed to discuss the matter of gifts for A.C.W.C. with Mrs. Badger.

Fellowship of Least Coin

Mrs. Hall reported that 800 copies of Prayer in Action had been sent to Queensland. Approval was given to go ahead with printing of 2000 labels - \$40.00 and 5000 folders - \$60.00.

COMMISSION  
ON STATUS  
OF WOMEN:

Resolved that the Secretary write for information on the Commission on the Status of Women and try to ascertain how they see A.C.W.'s role.

CONFERENCE  
ON FAMILY  
TO-DAY & TO-  
MORROW:

Resolved that Mrs. Gobbett be asked to present a precis of the report on the Conference.

HUMAN RIGHTS  
BILL:

Secretary reported that copies of the Bill are available at the following centres for 35c. each. - Govt. Publications & Inquiry Centres at:-  
113 London Circuit, Canberra City, A.C.T.  
347 Swanston Street, Melbourne.  
309 Pitt Street, Sydney  
Mt. Newman House, 200 St. George's Terrace, Perth  
12 Pirie Street, Adelaide.  
Taxation Building, 320-330 Adelaide St., Brisbane (Sub-Treasury)  
T. & G. Building, Collins Street, Hobart (Sub-Treasury)  
and from commercial booksellers:

NEXT MEETING: 12.30 p.m. on 22nd April

CLOSING: The meeting closed with the benediction at 3 p.m.

CONFIRMED \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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