



AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN

**Minutes of National Executive meeting 26th October 1999,
held in Koorong Bookstore Staff Room, Waymouth St, Adelaide.**

WELCOME First Vice-President Shirley Birch welcomed all present at 10.05 and congratulated Barbara Grealy OAM on her award from the National Australia Day Council for community service. President Marj Dredge to join the meeting later also Margaret Greenslade.

DEVOTIONS Shirley Birch took from 'Our Daily Bread' the thought of taking 'one apple at a time' based on Matt 6: v.34 and encouraged us to take one day at a time - 'don't try to put your arms around a year or even a week'. Shirley closed in prayer after our individual prayers.

PRESENT Marj Dredge, Shirley Birch, Laurice Smith, Maureen Clark, Dorothy Chapman, Margaret Greenslade, Dorothy Ferrier, Mavis Ellis, Barbara Grealy and Marj Crawford.

APOLOGY Major Shirley Sampson, Publications Convener.

MINUTES With the correction to Barbara Lacy's name the record of the meeting of 21st September 1999 was signed as correct.

BUSINESS ARISING from Minutes

- 1 **National Letterhead** - has now been produced with the mission statement on the bottom and the address of the person sending the letter on the top.
- 2 **National Prayer Breakfast** in Canberra 17/10/99 - a member of the ACT Unit would represent the National Executive - awaiting the account from the Unit.
- 3 **Winifred Kiek Scholarship Trust** - the Minutes and the Financial Statement were shown

CORRESPONDENCE

Inwards as attached list
Outwards as attached list

Marj Dredge joined the meeting and assumed the Chair

Business from the Correspondence

- 1 (7) Is a Mayoral Reception at National Conference worthwhile - after discussion all agreed in the affirmative.
- 2 (8) Invitation to be extended to ACWC Executive to meet in Adelaide at the time of the ACW National Conference asking the number who will attend and for how long.
- 3 (10) Affirmative Action Agency re round table discussion - Marj Dredge & Mavis Ellis will attend.
- 4 (11) 'Who's Who in Asia and the Pacific Nations' - it is of little advantage to the National Executive to be listed and also it is too expensive.
- 5 NCCA Network on Gender Relationships meeting on 4/11/99 in Sydney - Secretary will write asking for 2 members of the NSW Unit to represent the National Executive and a copy of the Mandate will be forwarded.

FINANCE

- 1 The Treasurer reported that the account had been opened. Exemption from Stamp Duty and FID was applied for and this has been granted.
- 2 Petty Cash - an imprest system will operate for all office holders (except the 2 Vice-Presidents) and each will receive \$50.
- 3 Treasurer will purchase small docket books for all receiving petty cash.

REPORTS

- 1 **Winifred Kiek Scholarship Convener - Dorothy Ferrier**
On arriving back from the National Conference a letter was received from Mai Zin Zin Wah. She is settling in well, and the College is being very helpful, particularly with her English language. Mai was also looking forward to a visit from her Archbishop as he made his way home from an overseas trip.

1 Winifred Kiek Scholarship Convener - Dorothy Ferrier - cont

Her 12 month course will commence on 1 January, 2000 which will probably mean that she will be away from home longer than anticipated. I would be surprised if visa requirements will allow her to go home for a holiday. I have written to her assuring her of our prayers. The Trustees have met and revised the application forms a little and these will be despatched to the South Pacific Area by the end of December 1999. I have also written to the Unit WKS Conveners advising them of the above information and requesting the numbers of leaflets they require.

2 Fellowship of the Least Coin Convener - Margaret Greenslade

I have received 'silver, white and green' FLC badges from Esther Byu who posted them from Thailand rather than wait till November as originally suggested. They are now available as required. I have to order Shanti Solomon's autobiography "A Legend and A Legacy" from India and they will be available from me later.

3 Social Justice Convener - Mavis Ellis

Laurice Smith and Lynn Smith attended the Candlelight Vigil held outside the Harry Who & George Goss shop as part of the 'Fairwear' campaign. 45-50 were present.

4 Publicity Convener - Barbara Greal

I need the names and addresses for State Denominational Newspapers/magazines and Secretaries of National Denominational Executives.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1 Costs for printing ACW News & the Minutes - quotes from 2 printers were presented. The Minutes will be done at Parish Print. A further quote will be sought from Victor Print before a decision is made about ACW News.

WKS leaflets - the cost for printing & folding these is needed.

2 Special Days Convener - still being actively sought.

3 Project for World Community Day 2000 - Units to be asked for suggestions and replies to be with the National Executive by 25/2/2000. Units will then be notified by 31/3/2000.

4 *** World Community Day Theme** will be, "Moving Forward in Hope". NSW will be preparing the order of service.

5 Directories for National Executive and State Units will not go in ACW News. State Units are asked to purchase 2-ring binders A5 size also A5 sleeves and use 1 sleeve for each State and National Executive. Units can provide their members with Directories as needed but they will not be on ACW Newsletters for outside people to have access to them. National Executive will use this system and the Directory is enclosed.

6 Communications to ACWC & ICFLC - Units to be asked to send copies of these to National Executive.

7 The WK Memorial Book - after Executive has seen the book a decision will be made about making another copy.

8 Photos and/or Cvs of Life Members not in the book - Marj Crawford to follow up.

9 No free copy of ACWC Bulletins will be provided for State Units.

Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 23rd November at 10am.

Marj Dredge closed the meeting with prayer at 1.10pm.

******* The Theme for World Community Day will be altered at 23/11/99 meeting - it is too like that for Fellowships Day.**

National President

Date.....

**AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN
NATIONAL EXECUTIVE**

CORRESPONDENCE:

Inwards:

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| 21/10/99 | 1. ACT Unit Newsletter |
| 11/10/99 | 2. Centrelink booklets re benefits available |
| 11/10/99 | 3. ACWC rep. B. Lacy report for ACW News |
| 13/10/99 | 4. Network Exchange of Women's Services 5/10/99 |
| 20/10/99 | 5. WA Unit minutes of meeting 8/10/99 |
| 20/10/99 | 6. NSW Unit copy of current Unit constitution, draft of revised constitution and name and address of new Unit secretary |
| 20/10/99 | 7. SA Unit minutes of meeting 8/10/99 |
| 20/10/99 | 8. ACWC rep. B. Lacy copy of e-mail sent to ACWC Executive members; Directory of ACWC committee members |
| 21/10/99 | 9. ACT Unit best wishes to new National Executive |
| 21/10/99 | 10. Affirmative Action Agency re round table to discuss new format for report form |
| 21/10/99 | 11. M. Florence forwarding signed copy of Nat. Exec. Meeting minutes 10/9/99;
NSW Unit minutes 21/6, 16/8;
WA Unit minutes 3/9;
SA Unit minutes 10/9;
Melrose Press order form for 'Who's Who in Asia and the Pacific Nations';
CWU N.Z. 1999 Annual report;
NCCA Network on Gender Relationships re meeting 4/11/99 in Sydney;
Invitation to National Prayer Breakfast ACT 18/10/99;
Directory of Public bodies |
| 21/10/99 | 12. Working Together Magazine |
| 25/10/99 | 13. Network Exchange of Women's Services 19/10/99 |
| 25/10/99 | 14. ACWC rep. B. Lacy copy of e-mail from Luminada concern for people suffering from calamities both human and natural |

Outwards:

1. ACT Unit requesting two reps to attend National Prayer Breakfast