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MINUTES OF WORKING COMMITTEE OF AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN OF MEETING HELD FRIDAY, 10th OCTOBER, 1969 at 10 a.m. in the Board Room, 100 Flinders St., Melbourne.

OPENING: The President, Mrs F.R. Ashton, opened the meeting with devotions.

PRESENT: Mesdames F.R. Ashton (Chair), A.W. Burton, T.H. Coates, H.T. Rogers, Col. H.W. Saunders, E. Stephens, G.I. Duke.

APOLOGIES: Mesdames N. Faichney, J.A. Strack, Deaconess F. McKechnie.

MINUTES of MEETING held Friday, 26th September, 1969 were confirmed.

- CORRESPONDENCE:
1. Mrs Barnes - N.S.W. invitation to Presbyterian meeting U.S.A. 1970.
 2. Mrs A. Atkinson - A.F.M.W. delegate and observer to National Committee.
 3. Mrs T.H. Coates, Convener, Committee on Co-operation
 4. Rev. E. Arblaster, forms to be used for applicant for Winifred Kiek Scholarship.
 5. Mrs F.R. Ashton - thanks

- BUSINESS ARISING:
1. This information to be circulated to Units on a blue sheet with these Minutes.
 2. Names of representatives noted.
 3. Session on Co-operation at National Committee to be 'Concern for Young Children' chaired by Rev. B. Reddrop with Dr Isla Stamp and possibly Dr Don Oldmeadow as speakers. Dr Stamp and Mrs T. Coates to be representatives to National Committee.
 4. Forms passed on to Winifred Kiek Scholarship Convener, Mrs A.W. Burton, to be used as needed.
 5. Mrs Ashton's desire to withdraw as a nominee to attend the East Asian Women's Conference was noted.

FINANCE: The Treasurer Mrs Stephens, presented the following Financial Statement which was received and adopted.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT SEPTEMBER 26th to OCTOBER 10th, 1969.

RECEIPTS		EXPENDITURE	
Sept. 26th c/fwd.	2700.80	2700.80	
<u>F'ship Least Coin</u>		Kwikasair Delivery Service	2.80
Wyong L.Ch. Aid	1.70	Petty Cash Treasurer	10.00
Harcourt Ch. of Ch. W.F.	3.00		
Janah Meth.L.C.Aid	2.00	Balance	3119.59
Mashua F'ship	<u>3.50</u>		
		10.20	
<u>Circle of Prayer</u>			
Echuca Ch. of Ch.W.F.	<u>1.80</u>	1.80	
<u>W. Kiek S'ship</u>			
Ipswich Central Cong.			
W. F'ship	<u>1.70</u>	1.70	
<u>F'ship Day Order of Services</u>			
United Ch. W. F.			
Katherine	1.25		
W.I.C.C. Tas.	<u>12.50</u>	13.75	
<u>F'ship Day Offer.</u>			
N.S.W.W.I.C.C.	161.32		
United Ch. W.F.			
Katherine	35.36		
W.I.C.C. Tas.	<u>23.96</u>	220.64	
<u>W. Comm. Day Order of Service</u>			
W.I.C.C.S.A.	<u>7.50</u>	7.50	
<u>Scribal Pens</u>			
Mrs Col. Saunders	128.00		
W.I.C.C. Tas.	<u>48.00</u>	176.00	
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The account of US\$54 for Circle of Prayer Booklets was passed for payment. \$5 petty cash to be paid to Mrs A. Burton, Winifred Kiek Scholarship Convener.

REPORTS: Fellowship of the Least Coin:
In the absence of Mrs J. Strack the secretary reported the contents of a letter received by Mrs Strack from Mrs Rathie Selveratnam. This gave details of her visit to America which was greatly appreciated, particularly by the negro women. Theme was "Choose Whom Ye Serve This Day". Slides and dialogue had been prepared of work supported by Fellowship of the Least Coin and displays of least coins had been arranged. News of the book 'In Quest of the Least Coin' had been received and it would be published soon. The fly leaf for the book had been received. Material was coming in for the next Circle of Prayer. This had been prepared by countries who had not contributed before. A list of allocations for 1970 had been received. It was resolved that this should be printed on a blue sheet and circulated with the Minutes. Further news from Mrs Selveratnam would be included in the next Newsletter.

Publications: Mrs Rogers reported that it would be wise to increase orders for next year to 12,000 for Fellowship Day and 9,000 for World Community Day. Service for Fellowship Day to go to the printer.

Publicity: Mrs Coates reported that she would prepare further material for the next meeting. It was decided to add the times and dates of the open sessions of National Committee Meeting to the Blue sheet to be circulated with these Minutes.

Ball Point Pens: Mrs Saunders reported that there is a profit in hand of \$357. Further orders had been received from W.A. and Tasmania. 352 dozen pens are still on hand. The following resolution was passed. Subject to the approval of the National Committee Meeting, 1970 the Working Committee recommends that each State Unit be allocated an amount equal to: 1 first class return train fare from Sydney, Brisbane, Canberra, Adelaide, Perth and 1 economy return air fare from Tasmania, from the \$357 profit in hand from the sale of ball-point pens which the National Committee 1969 had decided would form a Travel Pool. We would recommend that this money be available for the 1970 National Committee Meeting subject to the approval of that meeting.

WINIFRED KIEK SCHOLARSHIP:

Mrs Burton reported that an application had been received from Mrs Sima Vaipuna of Tonga for training in administration work. This had been well supported by local ministers from Tonga. Forms had been circulated to the various denominational representatives on the Committee and would be returned by November 20th for consideration. Notices had been received of representatives of the Presbyterian Church and the Churches of Christ (Mrs Lila Williams). A further meeting would be called to consider applications received.

WORLD COMMUNITY DAY 1970:

Mrs Col. Saunders reported that the questions to be used for this service would be at hand for consideration at the next meeting.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING 1970: The President and Secretary were asked to form a sub-committee to prepare a detailed agenda for the National Committee to be presented to the next meeting. The Working Committee report to be presented at the next meeting.

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OTHER BUSINESS:

Mrs Ashton reported that the appeal for \$200,000 for the Hostel for women to be built at Port Moresby would be launched by Lady Hasluck on 24th November in the Great Hall, National Art Gallery, at 10:30 a.m. Invitation cards were available at a cost of 50 cents and 800 invitations would be distributed. Dr Gunther would be present to tell of the needs of the University concerning this proposed hostel.

It was decided to ask State Units for suggestions for possible projects for Fellowship of the Least Coin for next year. Representatives to the National Committee to bring details of proposals if possible.

The Secretary to make enquiries re the cost of a heavy duty stapler to become the property of A.C.W. and be passed on to next Working Committee. Staplers had been borrowed in past but it was felt that one should be bought for use in assembling Working Documents and Minutes of National Committee Meeting.

The Working Documents would not be issued until January, 1970 so that an audited Financial Statement could be included. The Financial Year ends 31st December, 1969.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, 21st November, 1969 at 10 a.m. in Board Room, 100 Flinders St., Melbourne.

CLOSING: The meeting closed with the Benediction.

CONFIRMED:

DATE:

PRESIDENT: Mrs F.R. Ashton, 14 Lingwell Road, AUBURN, 3123.
SECRETARY: Mrs G.I. Duke, 38 Argyle St., EAST BENTLEIGH, 3165.
TREASURER: Mrs E. Stephens, 78 Champion St., BRIGHTON, 3186.
BALL POINT PENS: Mrs Col. H.W. Saunders, 40 Middleborough Road, BURWOOD, 3125.
PUBLICITY: Mrs T.H. Coates, Wesley College, PRAHRAN, 3181.