




*ASCM July General Committee Meeting*

*15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>h</sup> July 2005*

*Sydney*

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## **1 ATTENDANCE**

Rachel Anderson

(Minute Secretary & TAS),

Bronwyn Crowe (National Coordinator),

Roger Horton (WA Area Council),

Tim Ngui

(NSW Area Council [Queer Officer]),

Clare Schulz (JG Editor),

Chris Tyack (QLD Area Council),

Kate Watts

(Treasurer & Women's Officer),

Katie Wier (ACT Area Council)

Shehara Viswanathan (WSCF Liaison).

Tilly Flood (SCMA)

## **2 APOLOGIES**

Alex Connelly

(Vic Area Council [Men's Officer]),

Jason Koh (WebWeaver)

David Pearson (WA UWA Branch)

### **3 WORSHIP**

Worship was lead by participants of the meeting.

### **4 WELCOME**

Every one present was welcomed.

Bronwyn gave an explanation of decision making by consensus.

### **5 RECEPTION OF THE AGENDA**

*Resolution: That the agenda be accepted.*

### **6 RECEPTION OF THE MINUTES**

*Resolution: That the minutes of ASCM January Executive Committee Meeting 26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> January 2005 be adopted.*

*Resolution: That a vote of thanks was expressed to Rachel Anderson for her work preparing the minutes.*

## **7 INTERNATIONAL REPORTS**

### **7.1 East Timor**

*Resolution from January: That we will ask Edwina Hunter to purchase on our behalf, whilst in East Timor, a computer and printer to a maximum value of \$800 Australian.*

We believe that Edwina's trip to East Timor did not happen and we have had no further contact from East Timor.

### **7.2 SCMA**

Kerensa recently attended the SCMA Conference and AGM.

We welcome Tilly to our ASCM General Committee Meeting.

- SCMA conduct many similar activities to ASCM.
- Have had detailed discussions into to the future direction of SCMA's staffing models.
- Traditionally they have had a paid (20hours a week) National Secretary based in Christchurch.
- They have been trailing a Regional Development Worker model (Very similar to our staff workers).
- Recently had AGM in Auckland.
- Decided to reinstate a National Secretary for 20 hours a week and the regional development workers in 3 areas.
- The Regional Development Workers have been included into the core model of SCMA
- Michael Perkins has been elected to the Asia Pacific Standing Committee as the Male Regional Representative to for the WSCF Executive Committee.
- Sophie represented SCMA at SET
- Similar relations with their Friends Groups
- Focusing activity towards students in the last year of Collage before University.
- Share housing with other Ecumenical Groups
- Financially sound as SCMA own a house in Wellington that pays rent into their trust.

### **7.3 Regional Assembly**

Kate Watts and Bronwyn Crowe attended the Regional Assembly and Pre Women's Committee Meeting. Kate and Bronwyn really appreciated gathering a true understanding of

the role of women within their home movements, and learning how we can support women within their movements.

Kate was elected to the Regional Women's Committee. Lenni our recent intern from the Philippines was also elected to the Regional Women's Committee.

The new Regional Committee was elected during the Assembly; the incoming Chairperson is a representative from SCM India.

Bronwyn and Kate discovered to their frustration that a lot of the discussion centred on long term political motivations due to the recent funding crisis within the WSCF which did create a negative feeling at the beginning of the meeting; however this did change towards the latter part of the meeting with the appointment of the new Regional Committee. The new committee has revived positive outlook vitality.

#### **7.4 SET (Student Empowerment for Transformation) & ASYG (Asia Pacific Student and Youth Gathering)**

Tim Ngui recently attended SET and ASYG.

During SET there was a focus on education systems within the participants countries of origin and then within the context of exposure trips. During the exposure trips Tim visited Glendale a community of people who have been victims of Human Rights Abuses.

These people have established a school and workshop projects to empower the residents.

Tim also visited a farm where he helped with weeding.

Tim hopes that the experiences of ASYG will help to promote leadership and momentum within EASYnet .

#### **7.5 WSCF Inter Regional Programme**

*Resolution: Katie Wier is going on Saturday to the Philippines to attend the WSCF Inter Regional Programme – Violence Against Women: Challenging Gender Roles and Power Relations between women and Men in Manilla (24-30<sup>th</sup> of July).*

## **8 STATE REPORTS**

### **8.1 *Australian Capital Territory (ACT)***

Katie presented a written report (Appendix 1) on behalf of the ACT Area Council highlighting a new Development Worker (Mark Beresford) has been appointed. Katie also highlighted the usefulness and importance of having an ACT Email List as an effective form of communication.

### **8.2 *New South Wales (NSW)***

NSW presented a written report (Appendix 2) highlighting

- Bronwyn’s visit to the NSW AC in February,
- Placed an ad in *HONI SOIT* (Sydney Uni Paper)
- Organised the Conference with Justin, Mel (NCCA Youth Worker) and Tim.

### **8.3 *Queensland (QLD)***

The Queensland Area Council forwarded a written report (Appendix 3).  
Chris was absent during State Reports so could add no further comment.

### **8.4 *South Australia (SA)***

There is no news from South Australia.

### **8.5 *Tasmania (TAS)***

Tasmania presented a written report and spoke to it (Appendix 4).

### **8.6 *Victoria (VIC)***

Bronwyn had a chat with Shawn about the Victorian Area Council (Veggies in Christ) and to Helen Hill about the VU Branch. Both groups are plodding along.

### **8.7 *Western Australia***

Narelle submitted a written report on behalf of Western Australia ([Appendix 5](#)).  
Rodger then spoke to it adding Area Council News.

## **9 OFFICER'S REPORTS AND REVIEWS**

Within the context of the Presentation of the Reports, Task and Job descriptions were reviewed.

### **9.1 National Coordinator's Report**

Bronwyn submitted a written report to the meeting ([Appendix 6](#)) and spoke to it.

*Resolution: A vote of thanks was expressed to Bronwyn for her energy, support, and commitment to ASCM.*

### **9.2 Treasurer's Report**

Kate presented a written report and spoke to it ([Appendix 7](#)).

We have moved into new financial reporting year 1<sup>st</sup> June to the 31<sup>st</sup> May to coincide with July being the main meeting rather than January.

*Resolution: That we pay our WSCF Dues: 1% of our budget (\$300 per year) for this and last year (total \$600).*

*Resolution: A vote of thanks was expressed to Kate for all her work as National Treasurer.*

### **9.3 Women's Officer**

Kate presented an Oral report:

- Kate has been focusing on her WSCF-AP Regional Women's Committee.
- Kate has tried to set up the discussion group on the website but has had difficulties with the Web Weaver implementing this.

*Resolution: That we ask for applications for the position of Women's Officer to be appointed in January.*

*Resolution: A vote of thanks was expressed to Kate for all her work as Women's Officer.*

### **9.4 Men's Officer**

- No activities have taken place; as Alex missed the conference in Sydney.

*Resolution: That we ask for applications for the position of Men's Officer to be appointed in January.*

### **9.5 Queer Officer**

Tim presented an oral report:

- Tim has not organised any activities recently as Queer Officer. He wishes to retain the Queer Officer position in a latent capacity, happy to perform activities as requested.

*Resolution: A vote of thanks was expressed to Tim for his work so far as Queer Officer.*

### **9.6 WSCF Liaison Officer**

Shehara presented an oral report.

Shin has left and we have a new Regional Secretary for WSCF-AP *Nectar*.

The JG Editor requested that the WSCF Liaison Officer send WSCF news for inclusion in *JG*.

*Resolution: We note that the WSCF has changed their travel policy. We authorise the Treasurer to cover any discrepancies in payment from the WSCF for travel to WSCF Events.*

*Resolution: A vote of thanks was expressed to Shehara for her ongoing work as the WSCF Liaison Officer.*

### **9.7 Database Coordinator**

*Resolution: A vote of thanks was expressed to John Brown for his work as the Database Coordinator.*

### **9.8 Webweaver**

Bronwyn has collected feed back on the ASCM Website and she will forward this to the Webweaver.

*Resolution: A vote of thanks was expressed to Jason for his work as the Webweaver.*

### **9.9 Jubilee Grapevine**

Clare presented a written report ([Appendix 8](#)) Clare expressed her appreciation of the resolutions moved in January enabling her to source articles from outside of ASCM.

*Resolution: A vote of thanks was expressed to Clare for fabulous work as JG Editor.*

### **9.10 Merchandise Officer / Quartermaster**

Kerensa is continuing in this role.

*Resolution: We thank Kerensa for working in the role as Quartermaster and the supply of storage space.*

### **9.11 Minutes Secretary**

*Resolution: We thank Rachel for working in the role as Minutes Secretary.*

### **9.12 Office Bearers Review**

*Resolution: That the National Coordinator will follow up with all office bearers every three months.*

*Resolution: We call for 'papers' on the possibility of expanding job description or the number of office bearers to better address areas of the ASCM Mission that currently receive minimal attention.*

*Resolution: That we review terms of appointment for all Office Bearers at the January Executive Committee Meeting.*

*Resolution: That we review the number of ASCM positions that a single person can hold simultaneously at the January Executive Committee Meeting.*

*Resolution: We investigate the creation of a new ASCM Project focusing on Inter Faith Dialogue.*

*Resolution: We investigate the creation of a new ASCM Project focusing on Empowerment and the Global World.*

## **10 NATIONAL CATCH UP AND MOVEMENT SHARING**

### ***10.1 Passing of Sir Ronald Wilson***

We note with sadness the passing of Sir Ronald Wilson during the time of our meeting, he was a long time supporter of the ASCM and a great contributor to Australian society in general.

### ***10.2 SELF Application***

Sarah Mills' application to attend SELF was discussed.

*Resolution: We support Sarah Mill's Application to attend SELF.*

### ***10.3 Appointment of the Minute Secretary***

*Resolution: Rachel Anderson is appointed Minute Secretary, recognising that she probably will not be available for the 2006 January Executive Meeting due to her Wedding and Honeymoon Commitments.*

### ***10.4 Resignation of John Brown as Database Coordinator***

*Resolution: We authorise Bronwyn and Katie to spend up to \$50 to purchase an appropriate thankyou gift for John Brown to be presented at a dinner in Canberra.*

### ***10.5 Appointment of the Database Application Developer***

*Resolution: Chris Jeffery is appointed Database Application Developer.*

### ***10.6 Appointment of the Database Coordinator***

*Resolution: Chris Jeffery is appointed Database Coordinator.*

### ***10.7 History Book***

- Update from Jim Martin, publication date scheduled to be before Christmas
- Requested access to the database to group Friends according to recent contact with ASCM (indication of likelihood to be interested), mail merge promotion letter to everyone on list, approx 1200. Approach Area Councils/ active Friends to organise local promotion.
- Follow up with phone tree to active Friends.
- Cost of publication requires sales prior to printing.

*Resolution: That we provide Jim Martin access to the Address Database of all Friends and Students (except those who have requested not to be contacted) to send the History Book Promotion Letter.*

*Resolution: That Jim Martin provides the National Coordinator with a copy of the History Book promotion letter to be circulated through the policy list for input and approval, prior to the supply of the Address Database.*

*Resolution: The July General Committee felt that it was not appropriate in this instance to provide the phone contact details from the ASCM Database.*

### **10.8 Privacy Policy**

*Resolution: Our general policy is not to release information from our Database.*

*However the General Executive may approve exceptions to this policy.*

*Resolution: We find copies of appropriate Privacy Policies as a basis for further discussions at the January Executive Meeting.*

*Katie investigates her Churches privacy policy.*

*Bronwyn is going to contact the TCMA for a copy of their policy.*

### **10.9 DIMIA Agreement**

- Agreement between ASCM Youth Exchange and Dept Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs. (This is the Visa that enabled Leni to visit Australia.)

*Resolution: That Bronwyn files an Annual Report with DIMIA on the Activities of the ASCM Youth Exchange program.*

### **10.10 NCCA – ASCM Consultation**

- \$2000 US budget,
- From John & Edwina's experiences in Bangladesh; retreat style,
- Employed a person part time to organise.

\* Bronwyn will contact WSCF-AP for further information and get back to the policy list.

### ***10.11 RWP-SCM (Regional Women's Program) Joint Women's Programme***

From the Minutes of the 16<sup>th</sup> Regional Women's Committee Meeting of the WSCF-AP Region.

“Kate will work on the possibility of having this joint women's programme in Australia SCM and intends to invite SCM Aotearoa to the programme”.

### ***10.12 January Executive Meeting***

Canberra has volunteered to host the January Executive Meeting.

Our preference for dates would be

1. the weekend of Friday 13<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2006
2. The weekend of Friday 6<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2006.

*Resolution: Katie with talk with the ACT AC about our preference for dates and confirm on the policy list as soon as possible.*

### ***10.13 July General Committee Meeting National Conference***

Melbourne would be our preferred option for the July General Committee Meeting.

We would be happy for the event to be very similar to the July 2002 Conference.

We suggest that the idea of a Theme for the conference is adopted to be a “hook” to hang the conference around and use as a “sales” point.

There is a suggestion to host the Women's Event in conjunction with the July General Committee Meeting and Conference.

The suggested timing would be to split the Women's Event and the Conference with the July General Committee Meeting.

*Resolution: That Bronwyn approaches Melbourne to ask if they would be happy to host The July General Committee Meeting 2006.*

## **11 MONEY MATTERS**

### **11.1 Honorariums**

*Resolution: That we pay Kate Watts an Honorarium of \$400 for work as Treasurer for the six months January to July 2005.*

*Resolution: That we pay Rachael Palmer an Honorarium of \$600 for her work as Treasurer July 2004 to January 2005 and the handover period of January to July 2005.*

*Resolution: That a \$200 honorarium be made available at the discretion of the July General Committee Meeting or January Executive Meeting to cover “Handover” Periods Office Bearers.*

*Resolution: That a \$200 honorarium be paid to Rachel Anderson in recognition of her excellent service to the ASCM in the position of minutes secretary over recent years.*

*Resolution: That a \$100 honorarium be paid each year to the Minute Secretary.*

### **11.2 ACT Funding Request**

A request for \$4,500 was received from the ACT to help cover the cost of employing their Development Worker.

*Resolution: That we provide the ACT with \$4500 for the 2005/2006 financial year to assist in funding their Development Worker.*

### **11.3 Development Worker Funding**

*Resolution: That the ASCM approaches the Glen Burnie Board of the NCCA for funding towards Development Workers.*

*Resolution: That we include an ongoing Development Worker Budget Line in the Annual ASCM Budget.*

*Resolution: That the Treasurer investigates how to include an ongoing Development Worker Budget Line to the Annual ASCM Budget.*

#### **11.4 PO Box**

*Resolution: That Bronwyn follows up with Victoria to find a volunteer to check the PO Box and forward the Mail to WA.*

*We will cover the cost of forwarding the mail to WA.*

#### **11.5 Roger Horton's Travel Claim**

- Roger is attending the meeting as the WA AC Representative.
- Roger's Airfare was in excess of the travel cost recommendations published by the Treasurer.
- The published travel costs were in line with current understanding of the travel policy and the duties of the Treasurer.
- Roger presented a claim for additional travel payment above the recommended published travel cost.
- Roger's travel claim was \$734.
- The Published travel cost was \$650.
- Current ASCM practice is that an individual leaves the room if they have a personal interest in the matter being discussed. These matters are generally appointments to positions, nominations to attend events or personal financial matters such as the payment of honourariums or travel claims.
- Roger reluctantly left the room after presenting his case whilst his Travel Claim was discussed.

*Resolution: That Roger Horton is paid the full statement of cost for his travel from Perth to Sydney as he was within the committee's agreed interpretation of the current travel policy.*

*Resolution: That the Treasurer's original payment accorded with past practice and was a valid interpretation of the travel policy.*

*Resolution: Variations of interpretation of the Travel Policy have arisen from a lack of clarity in the wording of the travel policy. This has resulted in misunderstandings and some financial difficulties in the past.*

## **11.6 Travel Policy**

*Resolution: That we discuss the travel policy in detail at the January Executive Meeting.*

*We will cover payment methods, e.g. corporate accounts at travel agents, Airline policy regarding payment, a business credit card etc.*

*In particular Roger will investigate corporate account, Kate will investigate Credit Cards, and Bronwyn will clarify airline payment.*

*Resolution: We authorize the Treasurer to make recommendations as to the “Cheapest Travel Option” for people attending the January Executive Meeting two months prior to the meeting.*

*On the day that the delegate investigates to book travel, if the “Cheapest Travel Option” is more than 10% greater than the recommended “Cheapest Travel Option” the delegate must speak with the treasurer.*

*The Treasurer takes responsibility for deciding an appropriate course of action.*

## **12 ASCM MERCHANDISE**

### **12.1 Postcards**

- We really do like the idea of postcards and want this to happen.
- Bronwyn has investigated the costs of postcards
  - Postcards (¼ A4 = A6) 100% recycled, 2000 \$230 + GST, 3000 \$280 + GST with 1 colour each side \$20 extra for each colour.

*Resolution: We call for designs to be submitted by the Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2005 for distribution through the chat list and on the Website.*

*A decision will be made via the policy list by Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2005.*

The postcards will then be ordered and distributed during third term. .

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## INAUGURAL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ASCM INC. ASS.

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*Meeting Opened:*

4:00pm Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2005

*Attendance:*

Rachel Anderson, Bronwyn Crowe, Roger Horton, Tim Ngui, Clare Schulz,  
Chris Tyack, Kate Watts, Katie Weir.

*Apologies:*

Shehara Viswanathan, Alex Connelly, Jason Koh, David Pearson.

*Current ASCM Branches*

Queensland has 2 Branches; UQ and ACU

ACT has 1 Branch at ANU

WA has 2 branches; Shared Space, UWA

Victoria has 1 branch at VU

*Election of Officers:*

National Coordinator

Bronwyn Crowe was elected National Coordinator Unopposed.

Treasurer

Kate Watts was elected Treasurer Unopposed.

Women's Officer

Kate Watts was elected Women's Officer Unopposed.

Men's Officer

Alex Connelly was elected Men's Officer Unopposed.

Queer Officer

Tim Ngui was elected Queer Officer Unopposed.

WSCF Liaison Officer

Shehara was elected WSCF Liaison Officer Unopposed.

Database Coordinator

John Brown was elected Database Coordinator Unopposed.

Webweaver

Jason Koe was elected Webweaver Unopposed.

Jubilee Grapevine

Clare Shultz was elected Jubilee Grapevine Editor Unopposed.

Merchandise Officer / Quartermaster

Kerensa was elected Quartermaster Unopposed

Secretary

Rachel Anderson was elected Secretary Unopposed.

*Meeting Closed:*

4:45pm Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2005

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## APPENDICES

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### A1. ACT



#### ACT AREA COUNCIL OF THE ASCM

Report to July 2005 General Committee

The year has been a satisfying one for us, although there is always so much to be done. It began with the appointment, with the assurance of funds from National, of a new Development Worker, Mark Beresford, to replace Ruth Dunicliff-Hagan, who had been with us for four years.

Student Branch will report separately. We however record with gratitude the continuing efforts of Mark, and especially of the student President Katie Weir, to build a broader community of students and to develop in particular their fellowship through joint activities such as going to films together and then discussing them.

We have had our own separate appeal, and will forward appropriately gifts from those who took the opportunity to donate for National or WSCF as well as for the local work here. We can record that the response to the appeal, though not yet quite as great as last year, would put us in a position to employ a Development Worker again in 2006, if National were again able to support us.

We very much hope National will be able to assist us again. For 2006, we would like to seek \$4,500, up from this year's \$3,500, partly to enable us to be a little more generous in the hourly rate (currently \$15 an hour) and partly to meet growing costs on the superannuation side.

We hope General Committee will again be in a position to be generous, and express our gratitude for their enabling contribution this year.

The Senior Branch has, since a successful meeting before Christmas, had no separate meeting, though we are looking for a suitable occasion, either on our own or in collaboration with the Student Branch.

Peter Bailey (Chair)

## **ANU Branch report, July 2005**

The first few months of this year has seen a number of first year students joining our SCM community at the ANU. These have been from a variety of backgrounds, experiences, and church traditions. Our diversity has kept our conversations vital, relevant, and challenging. It has been a wonderful experience seeing how God is working through the concerns, and cares of each of these people.

As we were in 2004, we are still regularly meeting each Monday afternoon for an hour of thought provoking study and discussion around group concerns. Topics have included: love and its place in ethics, respect for the body, the resurrection (which was a hotly debated topic in The Canberra Times over Easter), Human rights and theology, and the rise of the religious right in politics. We have been privileged to have a number of capable guests including Damian Palmer (Uniting church Minister), Peter Bailey (ANU Professor of Law), and Peter Stork (PHD student studying the limitations of the Human Rights movement) at these meetings.

One of the highlights of the year so far has been the visit of Tim Ngui from SCM in Sydney who ran a workshop on queer theory. The night was well run and became a place for a number of different approaches and concerns to be discussed and considered in a respectful environment. The evening was taped and even made it on to a Sydney Community radio station! Thanks Tim for making the trip.

We have also attended a number of lectures at St Mark's National Theological Centre and the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture including Dr Thorwald Lorenzen: "Dietrich Bonhoeffer: 60 Years On.", Professor Paul Oslington: "Economics as Natural Theology", and Fuzz Kitto: "Cultural Trends in Mission". We are currently working on a monthly movie and discussion evening which we hope will prove to be a point of contact for our community. We have already seen "My House in Umbria", and plan to see "Downfall" at the next "Film and Theology" night.

We are also very proud to have recently had one of our members, Katie Weir, nominated as the Pacific regional representative for the SCM International conference on violence against women. She will be attending the conference early next semester.

**Mark Beresford**, ANU SCM development officer.

## A2. NSW



### NSW Area Council Report

July 2005

The NSW Area Council met for the first time this year shortly after the January Executive meeting when Bronwyn visited Sydney in early February. In order to maximize the number of people able to meet Bronwyn we had two gatherings, the first over noodles in Newtown and the second at an Indian Restaurant in Surry Hills for brunch. Most of the Area Council was able to make it to one or both of these gatherings and it was a great opportunity for the Area Council and our new National Coordinator to get to know each other.

During these gatherings we also decided to put an O Week advertisement in the student newspapers in an effort to attract new students. The ad appeared in Honi Soit, the University of Sydney student newspaper and the design was kindly passed onto the Area Council at the previous Melbourne Exec meeting.

We've also been busy preparing for the July National Conference which was hosted in Sydney in conjunction with the Youth Network of the National Council of Churches in Australia. The feedback from conference so far has been great and we are greatly indebted to Justin Whelan who worked tirelessly with assistance to get the conference underway.

### A3. QUEENSLAND



## A report on SCM doings in Qld this year, 2005.

*Australian Catholic University Branch*

The SCM branch at the *Australian Catholic University* got off to a promising start this year. Over a thousand SCM brochures (with a flyer on the first four weeks of SCM meetings) were inserted in the Orientation bags for new students. Those meetings will be hosted by both the *Student Association (Spirituality and Social Justice Portfolio)* and SCM. The first five meetings were:

- 23 February Christian James *In the Eye of the Tsunami - aid work in Sri Lanka*  
2 March Dr Michael Holt *Be Prepared for the Unexpected - Reflections from a Brisbane Orthopaedic Surgeon (Dr Holt was seen on Australia Story.)*  
8 March Guest Speaker *International Women's Day*  
9 March Jeffery Lawrence *Storytelling and Scripture*  
16 March Dr Nasir Butrous *Christian-Muslim Relations - Experiences from Iraq*  
23 March Rev'd Dr Ray Barraclough *Tsunamis, God, the Bible and Explanations*  
6 April Joan Hendriks *Indigenous Spirituality and Justice*  
20 April Marilyn Cullen *Building Positive relationships - Christian Insights*

Thanks are due particularly to Chris Jeffery, Georgia Cassidy and Andrew Beiers for being such dependable anchor-people for the ACU branch.

While the input was good, the limited time (20-30 minutes) did not allow any scope for a group to get to know one another. The meeting was held about 5 minutes walk away from the chapel after the Wednesday mass ended. So the basic aim of building a branch was not really achieved.

In the planning for second semester, an hour has been earmarked for Tuesday lunchtime. A sample of the contributors:

19 July                      Marilyn Redlich following up on *Relationships*

2 August      David Binns on *God in the Movies*

Each second Tuesday it is planned to be a discussion group + a social time over shared lunch.

#### *SCM Coffee & Dessert Evenings*

Two SCM Dessert & Coffee Evenings were held at St Francis' College with a special guest who opened up a particular area of discussion. Eleven folk came on the Friday, 4 March for *An evening with Florence Spurling* and the theme: *The Media and Religion*. Florence brought a wealth of experience from working for a good number of years in the Religious Affairs Department of the ABC, especially with the program *Encounter*.

Fourteen came on Friday, 13 May for *An evening with Jeffrey Lawrence* and the theme: *Fresh ways of narrating biblical stories*. Jeff is a gifted storyteller who contributes to liturgy in his local Catholic church as well as ecumenically. The evening included a discussion of storytelling and faith.

#### **SCM DINNER PARTY**

Fourteen people sat down to an *SCM Dinner Party* at the Barraclough's home on Friday, 24 June, 2005. WE shared a great meal with well fermented drinks and good stories. Jeff Lawrence contributed to the evening by narrating parts of *Luke's Gospel* as a storyteller. As usual, there was good discussion.

## **GENERAL OBSERVATIONS**

It is a struggle to keep the SCM momentum going. Ray has had no time to compose any draft postcards (Any volunteers from around Australia?) that he envisages sending to school chaplains to help senior secondary students connect (at least by email) with the local movement.

Any positive ways forward in

- recruitment
- branch building
- worthwhile activities
- email connectedness

need to be shared across the states.

Ray Barraclough

29/6/05

## A4. TASMANIA



SYDNEY, JULY 2005

I have been in contact with NCCA Youth Network meetings in Australia and I am still hoping they follow up the proposal that the NCCA Youth Network adopt Climate Change as their focus project for the next year.

Climate Change in the Pacific is a reality, directly affecting the lives of many people every day. *“Climate Change, climate variability and sea-level rise is not just an environmental, but also an economic, social and political issue for Pacific Island countries. It strikes the very heart of their existence”* (SPREP, 2001).

I am hoping that there will be a response from University of Tasmania Chaplin’s following the direct mail out of *JG*.

It was with regret that I had to resign as Minute Secretary. However now that I know that there is a possibility that the date of the January Executive Meeting may be changed I intend to reapply for this position.

I enjoyed hosting the January Executive meeting in Tassie, and would like to thank my fiancé Elijah Marshall and my parents Lee and John Anderson for their financial, emotional and physical support.

Take care,

Rachel ☺



## **A5. WESTERN AUSTRALIA**



### **WA SCM Semester One Report to General Committee Meeting – July 2005**

The WA SCM commenced the year with a Visioning Afternoon on 12 February at which a semester programme of activities was drafted for the branch at the University of Western Australia (UWA), members at other campuses, and Friends of the WA SCM.

#### **Visible Language Project**

Developed by Anne Fitzpatrick, the last WA SCM Worker, as a vehicle to engage new students with SCM, particularly its social justice flavour, the Visible Language Project was launched at the UWA Orientation Day on 25 February. It saw a couple of UWA SCMs busily cut out and pin letters into the grass in front of the SCM stall to create the statement: *It's time for compassionate action*. The stall received relatively little interest from students, however, through our involvement in the UWA Public Affairs Council we were able to run the project for a second time at the Faith Fair held at UWA on 22 March. The project ran much more successfully on this occasion as we invited fellow stall-holders of other faiths and passing students to participate by decorating cardboard letters with paint. Together we used these letters to create the statement: *Without the human community one single human being cannot survive* [Dalai Lama, b.1935].

#### **On-Campus Meetings at UWA**

Our improved publicity efforts (e.g., postering on campus, notices in Guild publications and on e-lists) have seen one new and one returned member participate in the WA SCM although certain topics have drawn extra students and staff to some of our on-campus meetings at UWA:

- ‘The Spirituality of Transition’ led by Revd Dr Anna Killigrew, UWA Anglican Chaplain
- a foot-washing liturgy in preparation for Easter led by Revd Dr Anna Killigrew
- ‘Australian Spirituality’ led by Sr Veronica Brady
- ‘Why get into this social justice business anyway?’ led by Theo Mackaay, Executive Officer, Anglican Social Responsibilities Commission
- informal lunches.

The resignation of Anne Fitzpatrick during the semester saw the few UWA SCMs take up aspects of the role in order to keep the Movement alive while the WA SCM Area Council decided how best to go forward.

## **Shared Space**

Our monthly 'Shared Space' evenings have seen a small group gather in members' homes to share a meal followed by discussion on a set topic:

- 'Charity or justice? God, global inequality and us' led by Clare Schulz
- 'Spirituality and Sexuality' led by the Franciscan Br Cledwyn
- 'Spiritual Journeys' led by Clare Schulz.

## **Semester Two**

The WA SCM is currently compiling a programme of activities for Semester Two. We will be holding a weekend retreat in Toodyay (a historic town 85km north-east of Perth in the Avon Valley) early in the semester. Our programme of on-campus meetings and Shared Space will hopefully include a two-part workshop on Christian Meditation, speaker led discussion on Chaos Theory, Literature and Spirituality, and Business Ethics, and participation in Club Carnival and Social Justice Week at UWA.

Many thanks must be extended to all those who have contributed to the Movement this semester and whose time and energy will be further required in Semester Two.

Narelle McAuliffe  
UWA SCM

## **A6. NATIONAL COORDINATOR'S REPORT**



### ***Jan 2005 Executive Committee Meeting – Hobart***

The meeting in Hobart went well, representatives of every active state attended, decisions were made and time was also spent building community within the Movement. It was great to have an opportunity to support Rachel as the sole SCM student in Tasmania, many thanks go to her for her efforts organising the accommodation, catering and transport.

### ***May 2005 Executive Committee Meeting – Teleconference***

The teleconference was very productive, making well considered decisions in a short time.

### ***Supporting Branches***

#### **Qld**

I communicated with Ray Barraclough on a number of occasions to gain Qld's approval of Katie Weir's travel to the WSCF Women's Program, Kerensa McElroy's travel to NZ, about designs for ASCM postcards and the activities of the Qld branch.

#### **NSW**

I visited Sydney during February and was able to meeting with many of the NSW SCMer's over dinner and breakfast. I supported Tim Ngui and Justin Whelan in their efforts primarily through email and MSN instant messenger, and more recently via telephone. I have also communicated with Edwina and John regularly via email. I contacted Annabel Dulhunty about possibly attending SELF.

#### **ACT**

I only recently joined the ACT elist and have really enjoyed watching the many discussions and conversations of the ACT branch, they are so energetic it is inspirational. I have spoken with Katie Weir on occasion about her application for the WSCF Women's Program and visiting Canberra after the July General Committee Meeting. I contacted Anastasia Dalzeil about possibly attending SELF. I hope to speak with Mark, the ACT Staff Worker more regularly in the future.

#### **Vic**

I visited Melbourne in January and we had a lovely picnic with many students and Friends. I speak regularly with Shawn for his advise as previous National Coordinator and Public Officer. I have communicated with Kate Barnard as she is part of the NCCA Youth Network, Melb Uni branch and about her trip to Geneva for Quaker UN. I had contact with Kerensa regarding her trip to NZ. I also contacted Helen Hill about the branch at the Victorian Uni and the possibility of someone attending the National Conference.

## **WA**

I am still very involved with the WA branch as a member of the Area Council and active student. I attend meetings at UWA, AC Meetings, preparing fundraising documents, advertising events and was part of the Selection Committee appointing the new WA Staff Worker.

## **SA & TAs**

I have had no contact with anyone in SA or Tasmania

## ***Supporting Office Bearers***

### **Min Sec**

Rachel Anderson and I have spoken and emailed often to organise meeting agendas, notes and the Movement in Tasmania.

### **Treasurer & Women's Officer**

Rachael Palmer and I met whilst I was in Melbourne to organise applications for the Treasurer's position and the handover of materials. We also met during Rachael's visit to Perth. Kate Watts and I have worked closely organising the National Appeal and other Treasurer and Women's Officer related tasks.

## **JG**

I often see Clare, we recently organised JG mail outs through Judy Redman as Tertiary Campus Ministry Association Secretary.

## **WSCF**

I met with Shehara whilst in Sydney, we have exchanged emails to brainstorm participants for WSCF events and resources which the AP Office make available.

## **WebWeaver**

I met with Jason whilst in Sydney and we spoke of the webpage following feedback from people during the January Exec Meeting. I have regularly updated Jason on the appearance of the webpage and how to best meet the web and e-list needs of the Movement.

## **Men's Officer**

I more recently contacted Alex as Men's Officer regarding his obligations to the ASCM National Conference and attending the Exec Meeting.

## **Database Coordinator**

I have had regular contact with John Brown to update the database, particularly following the National Appeal, and regarding his resignation and the appointment of a new Database Coordinator.

***External Contact***

I have had contact with Kate of NCCA, Sara of Young Christian Workers, and been interviewed on local radio. I have also responded to many email enquires about ASCM.

***Looking Forward***

I am visiting the ACT's ANU branch on Monday and may say hello to Brisbane as I travel through next Tuesday. I will be attending the WSCF Asia Pacific Region's National Coordinator's Meeting this November in Cambodia. I hope to visit Sydney and/or Melbourne in October as I travel to Bathurst for work. Otherwise I will be in regular contact with people via phone and email as I have been so far this year.

## A7. NATIONAL TREASURER'S REPORT



### 1. Introduction

Welcome to the Treasurer's report July 2005. Reporting on the period 1/6/04 to 31/5/05. Last year it was decided that our budget would run to a deficit, I'm sorry to say that even taking this into account we have overspent. Reasons for this include; proceeds of the appeal were not banked unto June (which raised \$3000 more than expected), a large donation to WSCFAP, sending a delegate to SET and the JC being held in Hobart, plus the honarium has not been paid in this financial year. While initially the deficit looks very serious in reality we have only spent about \$4000 more than we meant to including monies from the solidarity fund.

### 2. Budget Report: 1/6/04 to 31/5/05

The attachment shows the income and expenditure of ASCM compared to our budget. The first column indicates the budget, and the second column shows our actual income and expenditure for six months. The anomalies are noted under "comments".

#### 2.1 Assets

General Account	2,432.62
UCA Account	71,730.84
Conference Account	<u>1,316.93</u>
Total	75,480.39

#### 2.2 Liabilities

Money Held: Trust	230.00
Money Held: STATE	0
Money Held: WSCF	<u>-\$150.00</u>
Total	<u>80.00</u>

#### **Net Worth ASCM**

#### 2.3 Solidarity Fund

Of the ASCM's Net Worth, some money has been earmarked for assisting SCMs within the Asia-Pacific region. As per our decision in January \$1,500 was donated from this fund to the WSCFAP region in response to the tsunami disaster.

**Solidarity Fund**                      **\$6,643.90**

### 3. Endowment Association

The ASCM Endowment Association holds the following funds.

Managed Fund	298,618.23
UC Accounts	64,665.81
Cheque Account	<u>550.00</u>

**Net Worth Trust    \$363,834.04**

### 4. Other

- Rachael has handed over treasurer duties, coming to Perth in June to finalise.
- That we ask the endowment fund for a regular donation of funds so we are able to continue sending people to WSCF exposures and conferences and still be within budget.
- We have been endorsed as a charity organisation, this means we are eligible for certain tax concessions.
- That the January executive be held on the east coast in minimize costs.

## Budget June 2005 - May 2006

Category Description	Budget Jun- Nov	Budget Dec- May	Budget Total	Comments
<b>Receipts</b>				
National Conference	4,500	0	4,500	Any number - must be offset below
Donations Received	9,000	9,000	18,000	
Interest Received	2,000	2,000	4,000	Refer to previous interest received and int rate
Subscriptions Received	400	400	800	Guess based on previous years
Sundry Non-GST Receipts	0	4,500	4,500	Money from Trust
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>15,900</b>	<b>15,900</b>	<b>31,800</b>	
<b>Payments</b>				
Travel Expenses				
Exec Meetings	2,200	2,200	4,400	Increase in airline prices?
National Coordinator	500	0	500	Nat Cood in Perth
WSCF Delegate	0	600	600	Decided by exec
NCCA Delegate	0	400	400	Only if we have a delegate
WSCF Conferences	1,650	0	1,650	Only if we have a delegate
National Conf Subsidy	800	0	800	Decided by exec
Other	500	150	650	Kerensa to NZ + RP to Perth
Office Bearer Expenses	500	500	1,000	Includes Projects and Office Bearers without Honorarium
Telephone	100	100	200	Teleconfernces and other calls
Honorariums	4,800	4,800	9,600	Usually 6x\$800 only/more roll-over
Production Expenses - JG	1,500	1,500	3,000	Three issues per year
Mailouts	1,000	0	1,000	
Promotional Materials	500	0	500	
Accounting Fees	550	0	550	
Bank Charges	25	25	50	
Form Lodgement & PO Box	40	450	490	
National Conference	4,500	0	4,500	Offsets National Conference Receipts above
Hosting Meetings	150	150	300	
Donations				
WSCF	0	600	600	
WSCF-AP	0	300	300	
Pay the Rent	0	300	300	
NCCA	70	0	70	Invoiced annually
Other Expenses	250	4,750	5,000	Usually \$500 (This time legal fees and ACT worker incl)
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>19,635</b>	<b>16,825</b>	<b>36,460</b>	
<b>NET Receipts (Payments)</b>	<b>-3,735</b>	<b>-925</b>	<b>-4,660</b>	Day-to-day expenses should balance, deficit only for movement building

## **Budget Comparison June 2004 - May 2005**

Category Description	Budget Total	Actual	Difference	Comments
<b>Receipts</b>				
National Conference	4500	3,050.00	1,450.00	
Donations Received	18000	9,731.00	8,269.00	National Appeal not credited till June
Interest Received	3000	3,917.05	-917.05	
Subscriptions Received	800	804.19	-4.19	
Sundry Non-GST Receipts	0	990.50	-990.50	Reimbursement for SET, Contributions for JEC & T-Shirts
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>26300</b>	<b>18,492.74</b>		
<b>Payments</b>				
Travel Expenses				
Exec Meetings	6000	7,570.11	-1,570.11	AGM: Perth, Exec: Hobart
National Coordinator	300	460.00	-160.00	Visited Perth
WSCF Delegate	600	46	554.00	
NCCA Delegate	400		400.00	
WSCF Conferences	1650	2880.46	-1,230.46	Bronwyn, Kate, Tim (not in budget/nor includes \$678.90 WSCF reimbursement)
National Conf Subsidy	800		800.00	
Other	150	647	-497.00	Leni: Travel to Perth/Brisbane
Office Bearer Expenses	1000		1,000.00	
Telephone	200		200.00	
Honorariums	7200	2930	4,270.00	Paid for period Dec 03 - May 04 Yet to pay this years
Production Expenses - JG	3000	3280.9	-280.90	Three issues. Including copyright fee
Mailouts	1000	999.8	0.20	
Promotional Materials	500		500.00	
Accounting Fees	550	550	0.00	
Bank Charges	50		50.00	
Form Lodgment & PO Box	60	396	-336.00	Mailbox redirection
National Conference	4500	2704.56	1,795.44	
Hosting Meetings	300	702.27	-402.27	Not inclusive of \$280 contribution
Donations				
WSCF	250		250.00	
WSCF-AP	250	1750	-1,500.00	Solidarity Fund (Tsunami)
Pay the Rent	300	300	0.00	
NCCA	70	66	4.00	
Mary Mary	2500	2,500.00	0.00	
Other Expenses	7040	9839.05	-2,799.05	Legal fees;\$3091.55, Endowment interest;\$3000, ACT staff worker;\$3500, Cashflow;\$247.5
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>38670</b>	<b>37,622.15</b>		
<b>NET Receipts (Payments)</b>	<b>-12370</b>	<b>-19,129.41</b>		

## **Budget Comparison June 2004 - November 2004**

Category Description	Budget	Actual	Difference	Comments
<b>Receipts</b>				
National Conference	4,500	3,050.00	1,450.00	
Donations Received	9,000	3,647.00	5,353.00	National Appeal not done
Interest Received	1,500	2,033.67	-533.67	
Subscriptions Received	400	238.28	161.72	
Sundry Non-GST Receipts	0	31.60	-31.60	T-shirt purchases
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>15,400</b>	<b>9,000.55</b>		
<b>Payments</b>				
Travel Expenses				
Exec Meetings	4,000	4,539.06	-539.06	
National Coordinator	300	460.00	-160.00	
WSCF Delegate	0	0.00	0.00	
NCCA Delegate	0	0.00	0.00	
WSCF Conferences	1,650	2,880.46	-1,230.46	Bronwyn, Kate, Tim (not in budget)
National Conf Subsidy	800	0.00	800.00	
Other	0	647.00	-647.00	Leni
Office Bearer Expenses	500	0.00	500.00	
Telephone	100	0.00	100.00	
Honorariums	2,400	2,530.00	-130.00	
Production Expenses - JG	1,500	1,316.05	183.95	Two issues
Mailouts	0	0.00	0.00	
Promotional Materials	500	0.00	500.00	
Accounting Fees	550	550.00	0.00	
Bank Charges	25	0.00	25.00	
Form Lodgement & PO Box	0	0.00	0.00	
National Conference	4,500	2,704.56	1,795.44	
Hosting Meetings	150	50.27	99.73	
Donations				
WSCF	0	0.00	0.00	
WSCF-AP	0	0.00	0.00	
Pay the Rent	0	300.00	-300.00	
NCCA	70	66.00	4.00	
Mary Mary	2,500	0.00	2,500.00	Mary Mary not paid
Other Expenses	3,100	6,091.55	-2,991.55	Legal fees, Repay interest to Trust
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>22,645</b>	<b>22,134.95</b>		
<b>NET Receipts (Payments)</b>	<b>-7,245.00</b>	<b>-13,134.40</b>		

## **A8. JG EDITOR'S REPORT**



Two issues of Jubilee Grapevine have been produced since the national meetings in Tasmania in January. The Summer issue followed the theme of 'Between'. The Winter issue followed the theme of 'Belief'. Each has been a 32-page black and white A4 product.

Extra copies of the Summer issue were printed to be distributed as part of a 'Free JG for a Year' promotion. The majority of responses to this offer were from students who had not realised that JG is free for students. A number of subscribers sent donations in addition to their subscriptions to cover the cost of free magazines for students. Overall there has been a small response to the offer of a year's free subscription (less than twenty).

The editor was disappointed at the poor response from ASCM in general to the request to hand out free JGs as part of the promotional offer.

In late June, the remaining Summer issues, together with some additional copies of the Winter issue to make up the numbers, were sent to over 100 chaplains around the country, with a cover letter outlining the activities of ASCM in their area. As yet there has been no response to this recent mail out. Thanks to Judy Redman for assisting in getting these out to chaplains.

Following discussions in January regarding the name of the magazine, it was agreed to retain the name 'Jubilee Grapevine', with the cover badged as 'JG' and a form of explanation of the title included in each issue.

The process of distributing discussion questions for the next issue of JG appears to be assisting in gathering up interesting and diverse articles. The majority of articles in JG are obtained by the editor personally approaching potential authors with a suggested topic. It would assist greatly if ASCM members in other states could also make personal approaches to those they believe may have interesting input on upcoming themes. Each of the recent issues has also included some articles from people not involved with ASCM, in an attempt to provide inspiration for ASCM from outside the movement. The Winter issue also included short versions of two articles that were to be linked to the website in full, as a means of allowing more expansive comment without blowing out the size of the magazine itself.

**Financial Update**

500 copies of the Summer issue were printed, at a cost of \$1019.70 for printing (\$2.04 per copy). Approximately half of these were additional copies to give away as part of the 'Free JG for a Year' promotion.

275 copies of the Winter issue were printed, at a cost of \$599.50 for printing (\$2.17 per copy).

Mailing costs for the two issues were \$599.05. As much of this relates to consumables bought in bulk (stamps, envelopes) it is difficult to determine the exact mailing cost for the two issues, but mailing costs are roughly working out at about 70c per copy printed.

The total cost of JG production in the past six months has been \$2376.70, or approximately \$3.07 per copy. This per-copy cost has remained almost the same over the past four issues of JG.

In addition to printing and mailing costs, a \$650 fee was paid for copyright use in the Spring 2004 issue.

Clare Schulz (JG Editor)